

# UNCITRAL ASIA PACIFIC DAYS REPORT 2022

“RCAP@10: The Next 10 Years of  
Legal Harmonization in the Region”

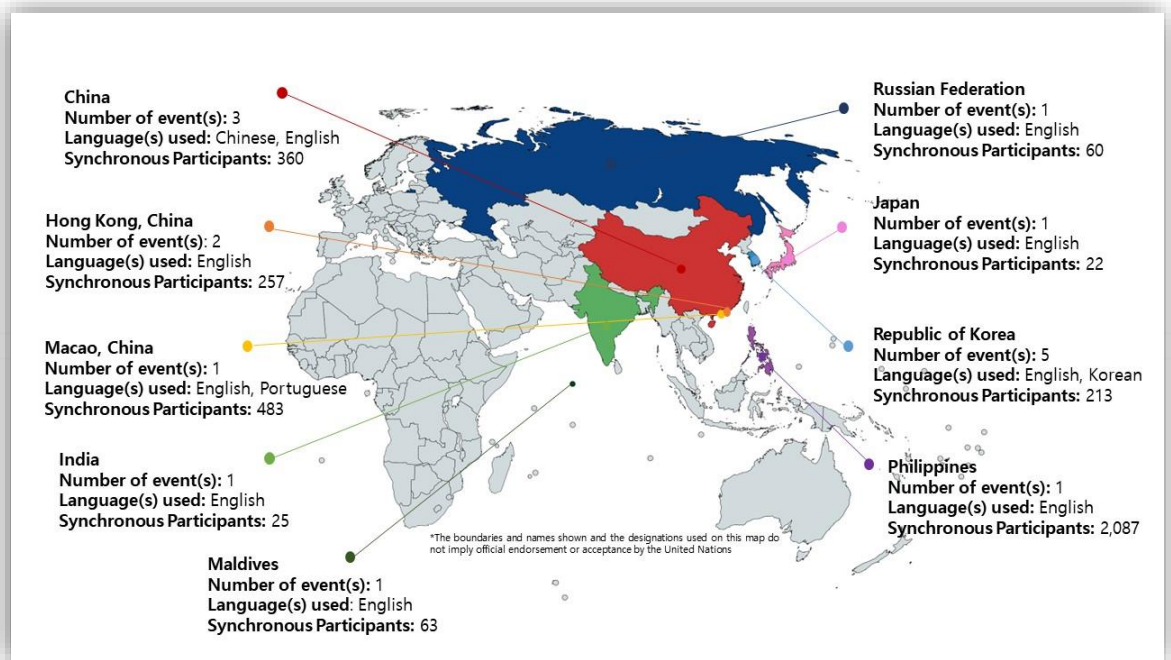


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### Introduction

1. This report on the UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Days ('AP Days') highlights the objectives of this flagship activity series, the deliverables produced, and the outcomes achieved. An introduction of the UNCITRAL AP Days and an illustrated summary of the salient features of the 2022 series are first provided, followed by concluding remarks. Highlights from each activity appear in **Annex I** and testimonials from partnering institutions appear in **Annex II**.

### *AP Days 2022: a snapshot*



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## **A brief overview**

2. The AP Days are an annual flagship academic series launched in 2014 by the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific ('UNCITRAL' or the 'Commission', and 'UNCITRAL RCAP') to commemorate United Nations General Assembly resolution 2205 (XXI) of 17 December 1966 establishing UNCITRAL, which has since come to be the core legal body of the United Nations system in the field of international trade law.

3. Since the first edition of the AP Days in 2014, universities and institutions across the Asia-Pacific have joined the annual celebration by co-hosting a series of academic events with UNCITRAL RCAP to promote awareness of international trade standards and norms, particularly those endorsed by UNCITRAL, amongst law students — the next generation of legal thinkers and policymakers. These events are academic in nature and are free of admission charges. Some participants have noted that the deliverables may serve to provide capacity building to public and private stakeholders and assist participating jurisdictions in their consideration of adopting UNCITRAL texts.

4. In 2020 and 2021 during the peak of the Coronavirus disease pandemic ('COVID-19'), most AP Days activities adopted the virtual mode which contributed to significant growth in outreach to participants and number of events, partnering institutions and participating jurisdictions. Although the return to pre-pandemic normalcy and in-person mode in 2022 has led to a gentle decline in this year's key metrics, the overall level of participation has still grown significantly since the inception of the AP Days.<sup>1</sup>

5. The success of the AP Days has led to the expansion of "UNCITRAL Days" to other regions, including the UNCITRAL Latin American and Caribbean Days in 2020 and an inaugural UNCITRAL Days in Africa in 2022. At its fifty-fifth session in 2022, the Commission noted with interest the further expansion of engagement with academic partners, geared towards young researchers and practitioners in international trade law through UNCITRAL Days in various regions.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Reports for previous UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Days have been published on the UNCITRAL website as informal Commission documents, allowing Member States and the public to learn more about the history, developments and benefits of this flagship event. For more details please visit: [https://uncitral.un.org/sites/uncitral.un.org/files/media-documents/uncitral/en/apdayreport\\_2021.pdf](https://uncitral.un.org/sites/uncitral.un.org/files/media-documents/uncitral/en/apdayreport_2021.pdf) and [https://uncitral.un.org/sites/uncitral.un.org/files/media-documents/uncitral/en/apdayreport\\_2020.pdf](https://uncitral.un.org/sites/uncitral.un.org/files/media-documents/uncitral/en/apdayreport_2020.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> See paragraph 259, Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (Fifty-fifth Session, 27 June-15 July 2022), available at: <http://undocs.org/en/a/77/17> (English version).

## AP Days 2022

6. The AP Days 2022 series is the ninth edition of the UNCITRAL AP Days flagship and was held from the last quarter of 2022 to the first quarter of 2023. The series was successfully organized with the generous support and collaboration of institutional and academic partners throughout the region. Each AP Days activity had its own unique and diverse features in terms of deliverables, topics covered, audience reached, and mode of delivery. Highlights of each AP Days activity listed in chronological order can be found in **Annex I**.

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**September 2022**  
 30 September 2022  
 • Jungseok Research Institute of International Logistics and Trade, Inha University / Incheon, Republic of Korea  
 > Inha University is hosting the first event of the 2022 UNCITRAL AP Day. The online event will cover an overview of UNCITRAL, including the RCAP internship programme, focusing on the role of UNCITRAL in the modernization and harmonization of international trade law in national legal systems. A professor from Inha University will discuss the results of a study on data mining in cross-border logistics.

**October 2022**  
 17 October 2022  
 • Hanyang University School of Law / Seoul, Republic of Korea  
 > The Hanyang University School of Law is hosting an AP Day event which comprises an introduction to the work and texts of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its internship programme, with a presentation on the CISG and the Singapore Convention on Mediation.  
 20 October 2022  
 • Asia-Pacific Law Institute, Seoul National University / Seoul, Republic of Korea  
 > The Asia-Pacific Law Institute of the Seoul National University is hosting an AP Day event which will cover an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP and on the UNCITRAL mediation framework. Thereafter, a professor will discuss the activities of UNCITRAL Working Groups.

**December 2022**  
 2 December 2022  
 • Faculty of Law, University of Macau; World Trade Center Macau Arbitration Center; Shanghai Arbitration Commission; and CIETAC Hong Kong Arbitration Center / Macao SAR, China  
 > Faculty of Law of the University of Macau, World Trade Center Macau Arbitration Center, Shanghai Arbitration Commission and CIETAC Hong Kong Arbitration Center are co-organizing an AP Day event in a hybrid joint conference with the theme "The Renewed Role of Legal Harmonization in the Post-Pandemic Recovery of International Trade and Commerce". In addition to an overview of UNCITRAL, including the RCAP internship programme, experts and scholars will focus on the role of UNCITRAL in facilitating legal harmonization in the region and its relevance for economic integration in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. The significance of UNCITRAL's work in the areas of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs), access to credit, insolvency, and dispute resolution in the context of the post-pandemic economic recovery process will also be highlighted.  
 7 December 2022  
 • Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Department of Justice, Philippines / Manila, Philippines  
 > Part of the Philippines' 3rd National Alternative Dispute Resolution Convention themed "Modern and Inclusive Justice: The Future of ADR in the Philippines", the AP Day event will be hosted by the Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution of the Department of Justice of the Philippines. The event will cover an overview of UNCITRAL and RCAP including the internship programme, UNCITRAL frameworks on arbitration and mediation, and the interplay between UNCITRAL instruments and the Philippines' legal framework on ADR.

**27 October 2022**  
**• Faculty of Shariah and Law, Villa College, and Maldives Moot Court Society / Malé, Maldives**  
 » Faculty of Shariah and Law of the Villa College and Maldives Moot Court Society will be co-hosting an AP Day event on "Harmonizing International Commercial Laws for the Asia-Pacific Region to Facilitate Business & Trade". The role of UNCITRAL RCAP in promoting harmonization and modernization of international trade law will be highlighted as well as an overview of the UNCITRAL arbitration framework. Guest speakers will address the role of arbitration in international trade and business and an UNCITRAL Legal Officer will cover the importance of the CISG and the UNIDROIT Principles/ International Principles of Contract Law (lex mercatoria) in modernizing and harmonizing international contract law.

**27 October 2022**  
**• Faculty of Law, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Mediation Centre, and International Dispute Resolution & Risk Management Institute / Hong Kong SAR, China**  
 » The AP Day webinar themed "Charting the Course for Another Decade: Mediation and Arbitration in the Asia-Pacific Region" will focus on the latest trends and issues on alternative dispute resolution and on an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its internship programme and various UNCITRAL texts. Academics and practitioners will examine the hybrid process of mediation-arbitration/ arbitration-mediation-arbitration, international legal harmonization, the increasing role of online dispute resolution, and issues such as digital access inequality between jurisdictions.

**November 2022**  
**4 November 2022**  
**• East China University of Political Science and Law, and International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) / Shanghai, China**  
 » East China University of Political Science and Law and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) are co-hosting an AP Day event under the theme "The Next 10 Years: Prospects on International Arbitration – Opportunities and Challenges". The event will focus on the work of UNCITRAL on dispute settlement. Also, the role of UNCITRAL RCAP in promoting harmonization and modernization of international trade law in the AP region will be addressed. Speakers ranging from academics to arbitration experts will discuss issues and topics on international arbitration such as party autonomy.

**5 November 2022**  
**• Cyber Law Centre, Korea University, Korea International Mediation Centre, Korean Society of Mediation Studies, and Kim & Chang / Seoul, Republic of Korea**  
 » Cyber Law Centre of the Korea University, Korea International Mediation Centre, Korean Society on Mediation Studies and Kim & Chang are co-hosting an online AP Day event. Law professors will address mediation, negotiation and UNCITRAL instruments. Domestic and international lawyers will focus on practical aspects of international mediation and the Singapore Convention on Mediation. The role of UNCITRAL RCAP in promoting harmonization and modernization in the areas of international mediation and arbitration will be highlighted.

**21 November 2022**  
**• Beijing Normal University Law School / Beijing, China**  
 » Beijing Normal University Law School is hosting an AP Day event on post-pandemic world trade. The webinar will include an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP and their roles in promoting harmonization and modernization of international trade law.

**25 November 2022**  
**• Industrial Security Research Center, Chung-Ang University / Seoul, Republic of Korea**  
 » Themed "An Approach to Establish Economic Security System under Global Trade Environment", the AP Day will cover an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its internship programme, and UNCITRAL texts on e-commerce. Several experts will examine current issues on digital trade as well as international mediation and arbitration.

**13 December 2022**  
**• Nagoya University Graduate School of Law, and Japan Commercial Arbitration Association / Nagoya, Japan**  
 » Nagoya University Graduate School of Law and Japan Commercial Arbitration Association are co-hosting an AP Day event on "The Role of Arbitration in Legal Harmonization: An East Asian Perspective". Professors from the Nagoya University Graduate School of Law will provide the opening and closing remarks. International arbitration experts from Japan and Italy will address the importance of cooperation between arbitration institutions as a tool for harmonization, and the arbitrability of intellectual property disputes in East Asia.

**19 December 2022**  
**• School of Law, Far Eastern Federal University / Vladivostok, Russian Federation**  
 » The AP Day event with Far Eastern Federal University will cover an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its internship programme and the UNCITRAL frameworks on arbitration and mediation. Law professors from the Far Eastern Federal University will deliver presentations on the legal protection of investors and the current status of ADR system in the Russian Federation.

**February 2023**  
**20 February 2023**  
**• City University of Hong Kong, and Hong Kong Mediation Council / Hong Kong SAR, China**  
 » City University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong Mediation Council are co-hosting an AP Day event that will introduce the work of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, the internship programme and the UNCITRAL frameworks on arbitration and mediation. A professor at the City University of Hong Kong will discuss Hong Kong SAR's ADR framework and ongoing initiatives in the field of dispute resolution related to UNCITRAL instruments.

**March 2023**  
**2 March 2023**  
**• Research Institute of Environmental Law, Wuhan University, and International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) / Wuhan, China**  
 » Themed "Sustainable Development: Value of International Arbitration and Mediation", the AP Day event co-organized with the Research Institute of Environmental Law of the Wuhan University and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) will cover how UNCITRAL's work contributes to the advancement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), focusing on the UNCITRAL arbitration and mediation frameworks. ICC will share tips on how to adopt greener practices in the arbitration process.

**16 March 2023**  
**• Gujarat National Law University Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law / Gujarat, India**  
 » The final 2022 UNCITRAL AP Day event will be co-organized with Gujarat National Law University Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law. The event will provide an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, the internship programme, the UNCITRAL arbitration and mediation frameworks, and advancing legal harmonization in India via the CISG and UNCITRAL instruments on insolvency.

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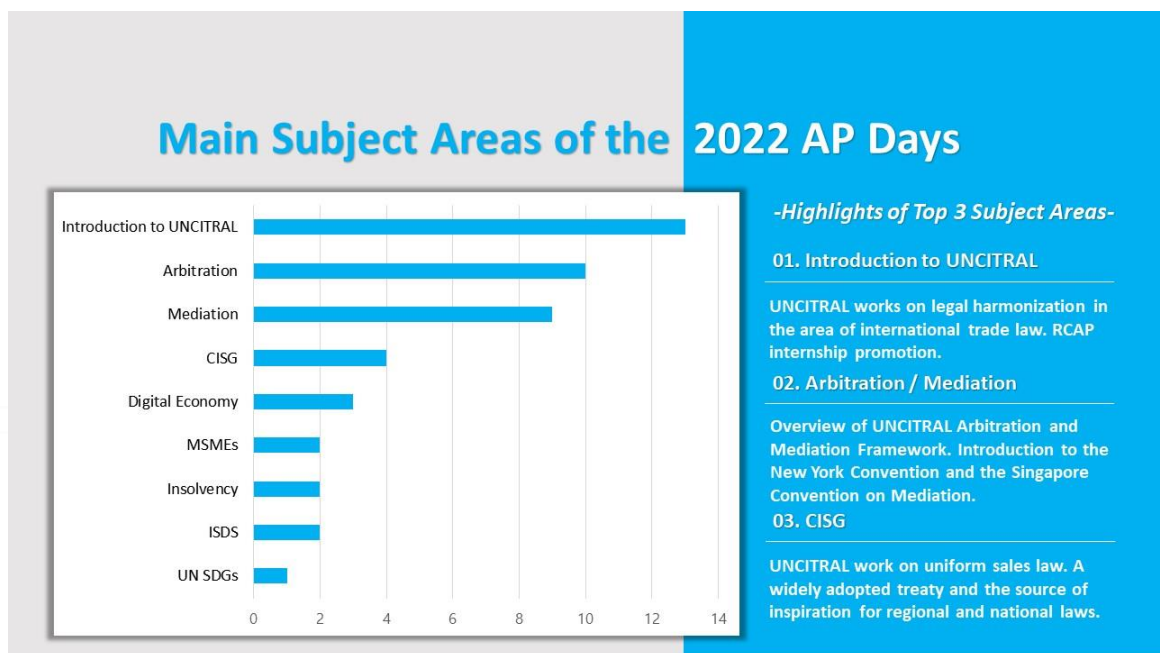
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## Theme and main subject areas

7. To commemorate the tenth anniversary of the establishment of UNCITRAL RCAP, the theme adopted for the AP Days 2022 was **"RCAP@10: The Next 10 Years of Legal Harmonization in the Region"**. This AP Days series explored how legal harmonization, especially through the work of UNCITRAL, could benefit both traditional and new areas of trade in the coming decade. The RCAP@10 theme encouraged both retrospective and exploratory lenses on how different areas of

UNCITRAL’s work have facilitated and will continue to strengthen a legally enabling environment for doing business in the region.

8. The main subject areas explored in the AP Days 2022 series included international commercial arbitration, international commercial mediation, international sales of goods, digital economy, micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (‘MSMEs’), cross-border insolvency and investor-state dispute settlement. Most AP Days events began with an introduction to UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP including its internship programme, with many institutional partners also choosing to highlight the work of UNCITRAL in international commercial arbitration and mediation.



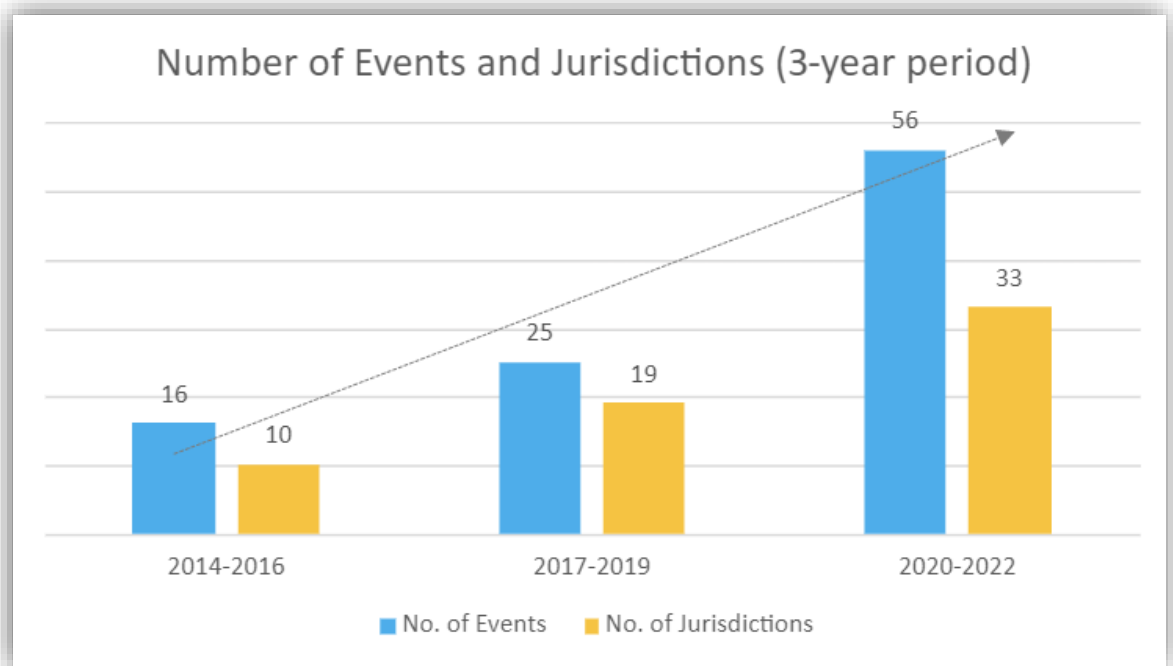
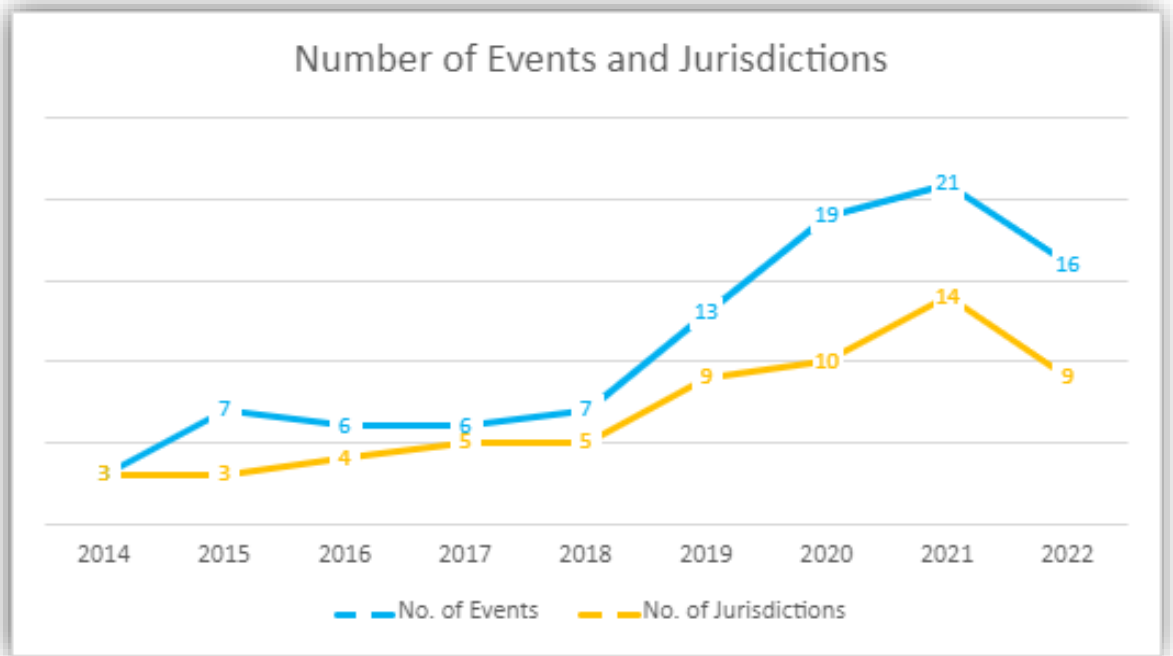
*\*More than one subject area may be covered in any given event.*

**Level of participation**

9. The AP Days 2022 series spanned a total of 16 events across nine jurisdictions in the Asia-Pacific region.

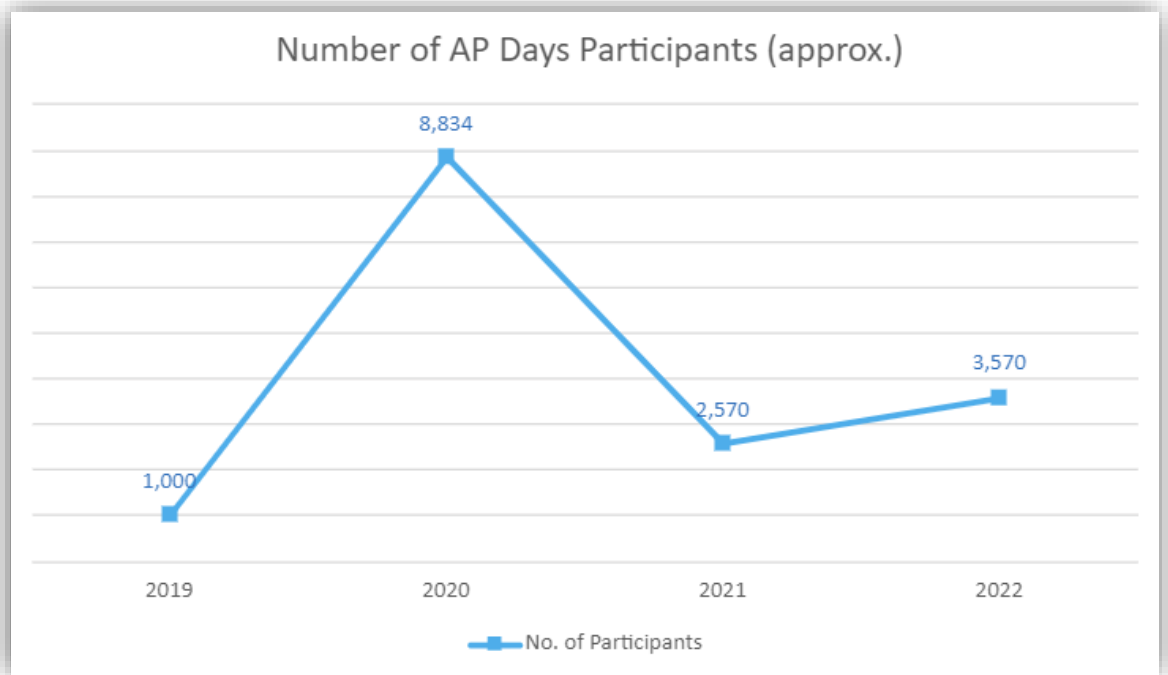
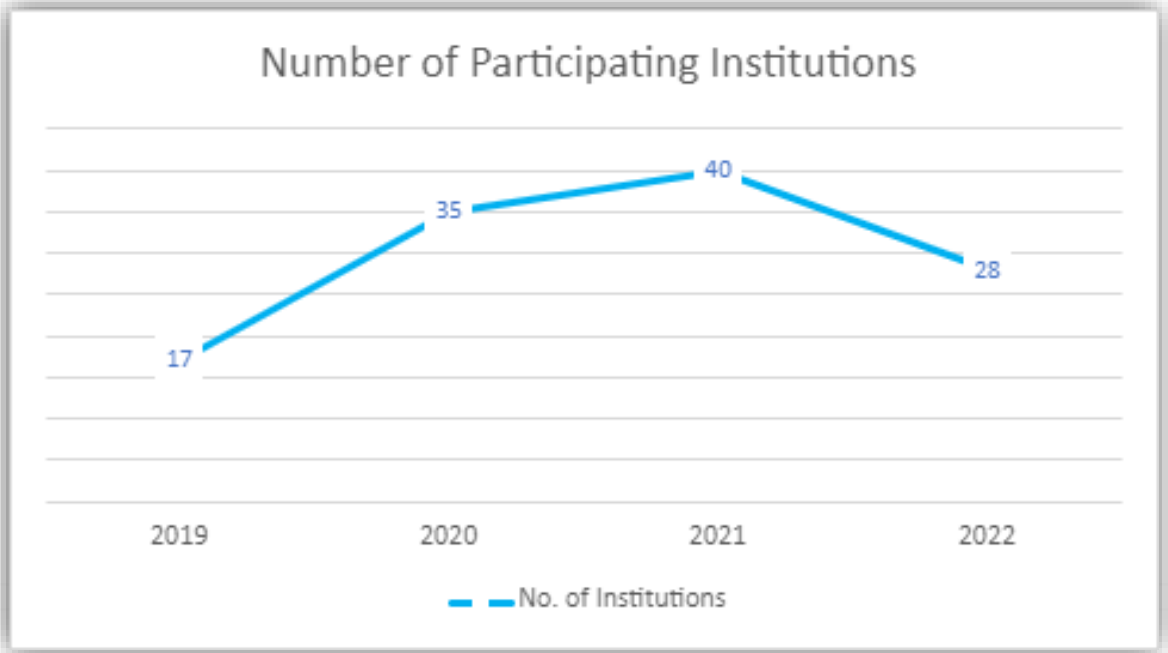
10. As shown in the graphs below, since the launch of the AP Days in 2014, there has been an upward trend in both the numbers of events and participating jurisdictions, most notably in the three-year period since 2020 following the introduction of virtual modes of participation. For 2022, COVID-19 restrictions were eased or lifted in the Asia-Pacific region. As a result, universities resumed in-person instruction, with many preferring in-person events on campuses over virtual or hybrid modalities. As in-

person events are more resource-intensive for UNCITRAL RCAP, the number of events and participating jurisdictions decreased slightly as compared with last year.



11. Despite the downward curve from the observed peak in 2021, both in terms of numbers of events and jurisdictions, and a decrease in number of participating

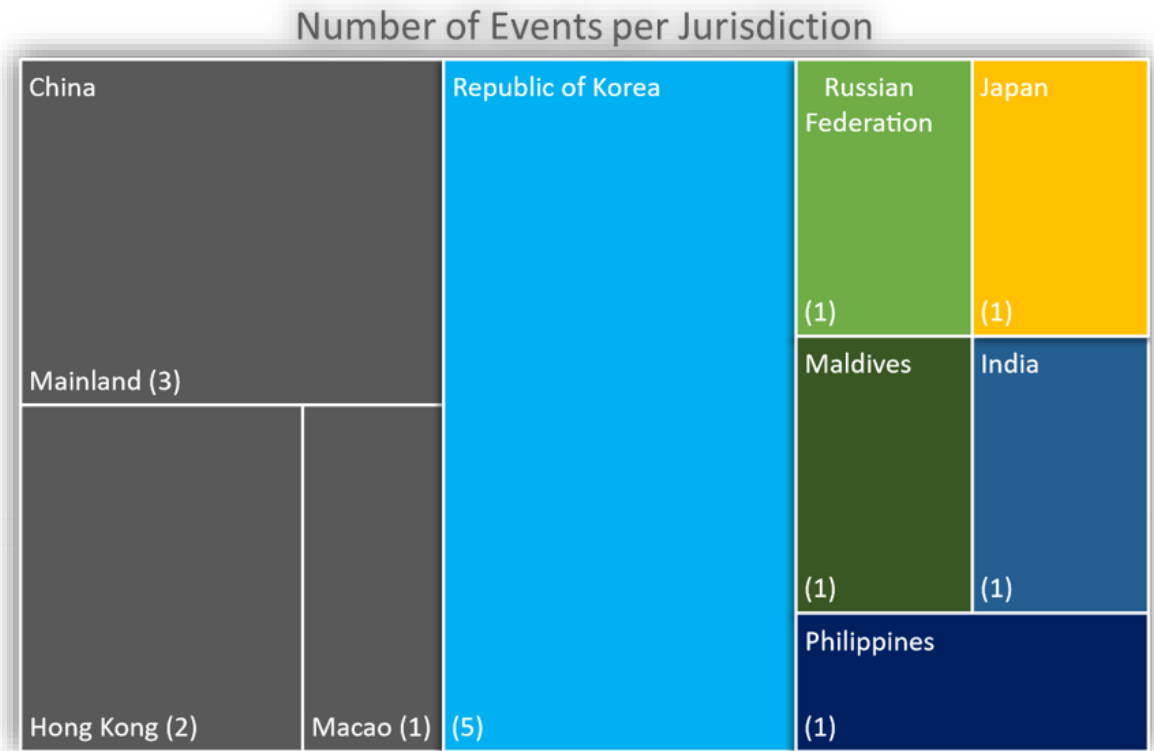
universities and institutions by 33% from 40 in 2021 to 27 in 2022, the cumulative size of the audience of the AP Days 2022 grew by around 39% from over 2,500 participants in the 2021 series to over 3,500 participants in the 2022 series. As detailed in paragraph 13 below, participants joined from the Asia-Pacific region and beyond.





**Participating jurisdictions**

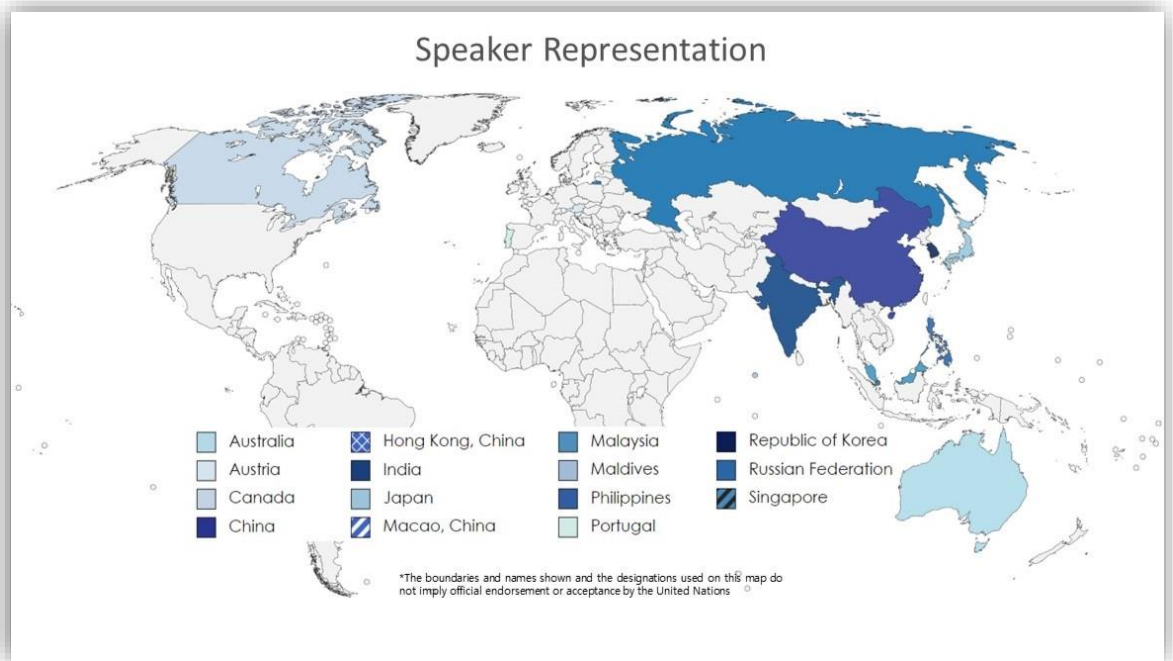
12. The nine jurisdictions which participated in the AP Days 2022 series were: China; Hong Kong, China; India; Japan; Macao, China; Maldives; Philippines; Republic of Korea; and Russian Federation. The below graph shows the number of events per jurisdiction.



**Participation, audience diversity and gender parity**

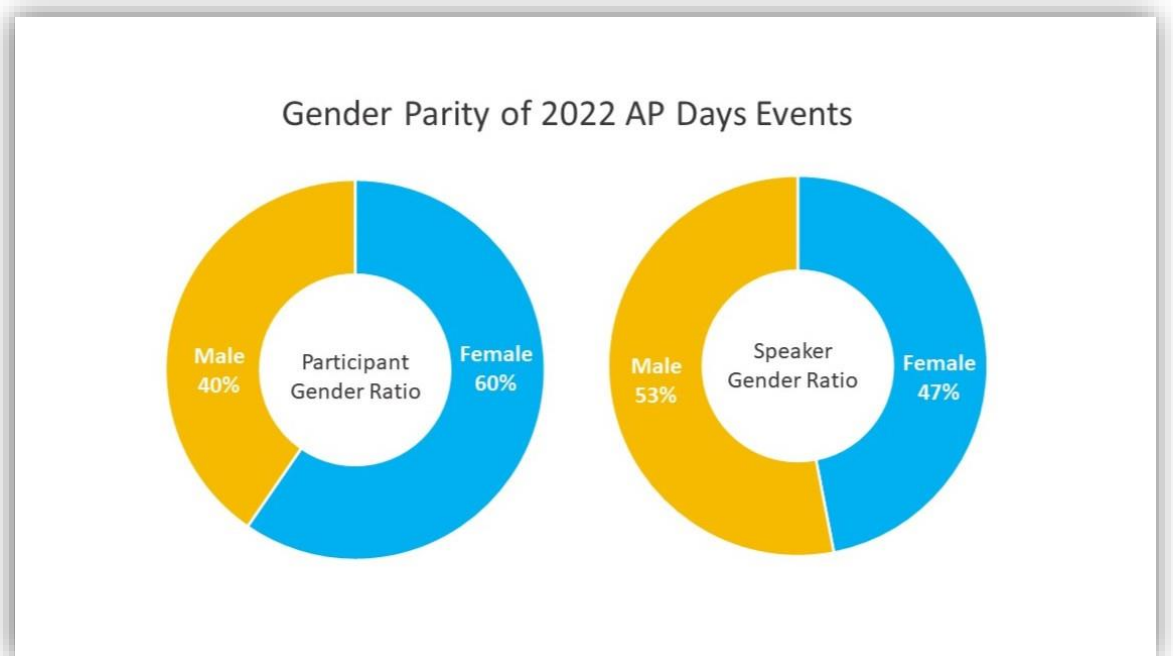
13. Audience composition continued to be diverse. While AP Days events are geared towards Law students and the academic community in the region, most of the AP Days 2022 events were online or hybrid and open to global public audiences, resulting in audiences from participating jurisdictions and beyond, including Cambodia, Congo, France, Germany, Italy, Mongolia, Myanmar, Singapore, Türkiye, Uganda, the United States of America, Uzbekistan, and Viet Nam.

14. The composition of the panels of speakers was similarly diverse. In addition to speakers from the participating jurisdictions, the AP Days 2022 series attracted speakers from Australia, Austria, Canada, Singapore, Malaysia, and Portugal, adding international perspectives to the discussions.



*\* Based on the jurisdiction of the speakers' institutions.*

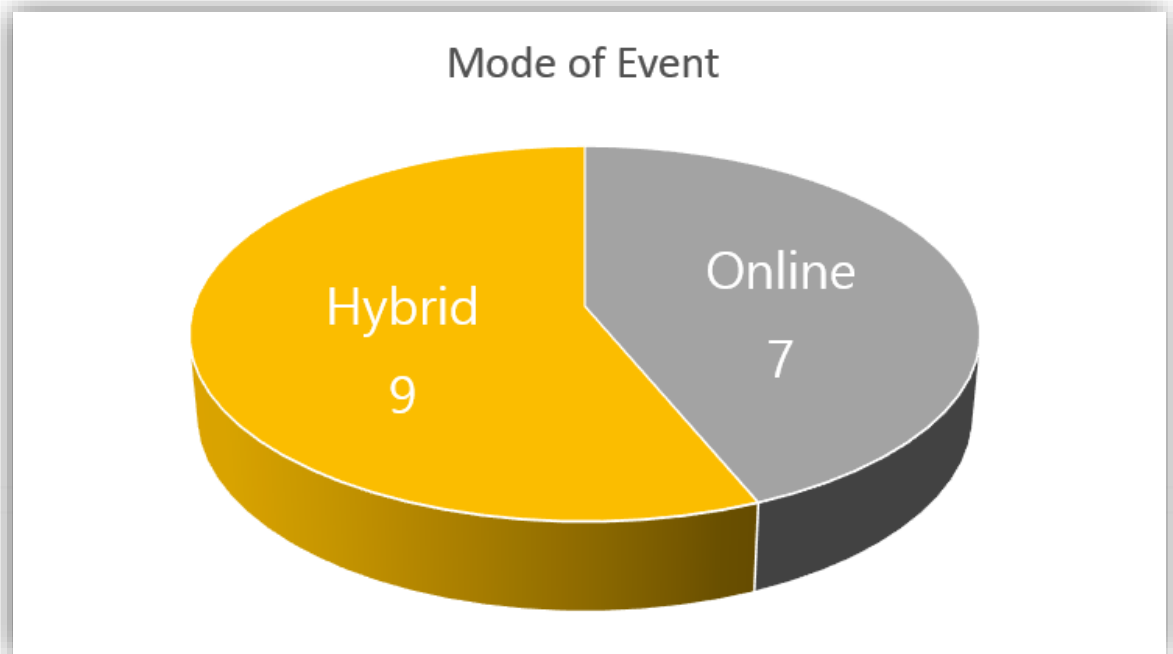
15. Based on co-organizers' information where available, gender parity is demonstrated in both participants and speakers, with 60% of the participants and almost half (47%) of the speakers, including moderators, being women.



*\*Based on information provided by co-organizers where gender breakdown was available.*

### **Regional accessibility, multilingualism, deliverables and formats**

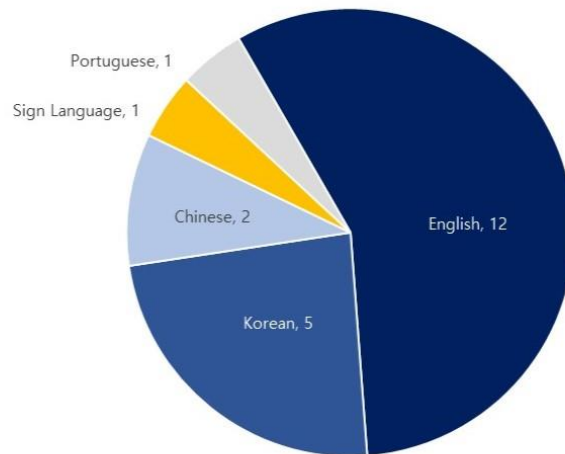
16. As with previous editions, the format of the AP Days 2022 events ranged from closed in-class lectures to full-day public international conferences. The events adopted mostly a hybrid format, with UNCITRAL RCAP staff joining remotely while students joined in-person. However, with the ease of COVID-19, it is expected that fully in-person events may be resumed in future AP Days.



17. UNCITRAL RCAP officers supported all of the AP Days events, with colleagues from the UNCITRAL secretariat in Vienna joining some events to deliver technical presentations on topics including the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) and the UNIDROIT Principles/ International Principles of Contract Law (*Lex mercatoria*). Most contributions continued to take the form of live remote presentations. Where live presentations were not possible, UNCITRAL RCAP provided tailor-made video remarks or institutional support.

18. To enhance regional accessibility and multilingualism, UNCITRAL RCAP officers and participating experts delivered presentations in multiple United Nations official languages, particularly English and Chinese, as well as other languages including Korean and Portuguese. In addition, sign language interpretation was provided for the first time for the AP Days, in the event co-organized with the Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Department of Justice, Philippines.

Multilingualism of the AP Days Events



*\*Based on information available from the co-organizers.*

*\*\* More than one language was used in five events.*

### **Partnering institutions**

19. Since 2019, UNCITRAL RCAP has partnered with the International Chamber of Commerce ('ICC'), in particular the Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services, to promote and expand the AP Days to new collaborators across the region. The two hybrid events<sup>3</sup> jointly organized with ICC in the AP Days 2022 series focused on the prospects on international arbitration in the next ten years, and were held in China with an aggregate synchronous audience of approximately 360 participants.

20. UNCITRAL RCAP is grateful for the support it has received from all AP Days 2022 partnering institutions, which, in addition to universities and higher education institutions, included arbitral and mediation institutions, professional bodies, government departments and law firms. In particular, UNCITRAL RCAP welcomes the following new institutional collaborators:

- Cyber Law Centre, Korea University (Republic of Korea)
- East China University of Political Science and Law (China)
- Hanyang University School of Law (Republic of Korea)
- Korea International Mediation Centre (Republic of Korea)

<sup>3</sup> Events with East China University of Political Science and Law on 4 November 2022; and Research Institute of Environmental Law, Wuhan University on 2 March 2023.

- Korean Society of Mediation Studies (Republic of Korea)
- Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Department of Justice, Philippines (Philippines)

21. The full list of participating universities and institutions in the AP Days 2022 series is as follows (listed in alphabetical order by jurisdiction):

Participating Institution(s)		Date of Event
<b>CHINA</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• East China University of Political Science and Law; and Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services A synopsis of the event is available at: <a href="https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/NixqVzY9nKW9k0dZzIUljQ">https://mp.weixin.qq.com/s/NixqVzY9nKW9k0dZzIUljQ</a></li> </ul>	4 November 2022	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Beijing Normal University Law School A synopsis of the event is available at: <a href="http://wiki.iipl.org.cn/?m=202211">http://wiki.iipl.org.cn/?m=202211</a></li> </ul>	21 November 2022	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research Institute of Environmental Law, Wuhan University; and Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services</li> </ul>	2 March 2023	
<b>HONG KONG, CHINA</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faculty of Law, The University of Hong Kong; Hong Kong Mediation Centre; and International Dispute Resolution &amp; Risk Management Institute</li> </ul>	27 October 2022	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• City University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong Mediation Council</li> </ul>	20 February 2023	
<b>MACAO, CHINA</b>		
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<b>INDIA</b>		
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<b>MALDIVES</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Faculty of Shariah and Law, Villa College; and Maldives Moot Court Society</li> </ul> <p>A synopsis of the event is available at:  <a href="https://maldivesmootcourtsociety.org/maldives-uncitral-asia-pacific-day-2022/">https://maldivesmootcourtsociety.org/maldives-uncitral-asia-pacific-day-2022/</a></p>	27 October 2022	
<b>PHILIPPINES</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Department of Justice, Philippines</li> </ul> <p>A recording of the event is available at:  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/OADROfficial/videos/493579879421398/">https://www.facebook.com/OADROfficial/videos/493579879421398/</a></p>	7 December 2022	
<b>REPUBLIC OF KOREA</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jungseok Research Institute of International Logistics and Trade, Inha University</li> </ul>	30 September 2022	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hanyang University School of Law</li> </ul>	17 October 2022	
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<b>RUSSIAN FEDERATION</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School of Law, Far Eastern Federal University</li> </ul> <p>A synopsis of the event is available at:  <a href="https://www.dvfu.ru/schools/law_school/news/mezhdunarodnaya_konferentsiya_uncitral_asia_pacific_day/">https://www.dvfu.ru/schools/law_school/news/mezhdunarodnaya_konferentsiya_uncitral_asia_pacific_day/</a></p>	19 December 2022	

## Supporting progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

22. In light of the comprehensive theme and topics explored during the AP Days 2022 series on how UNCITRAL's work on legal harmonization facilitates international trade and investment, inclusive participation by experts and audiences from diverse jurisdictions and backgrounds, focus on educating the next generation, expanded modes of delivery, and deliverables in multiple United Nations and regional languages, the AP Days 2022 events have, as with the last edition, supported UNCITRAL's contributions towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals ('SDGs') on several fronts, including:<sup>4</sup>

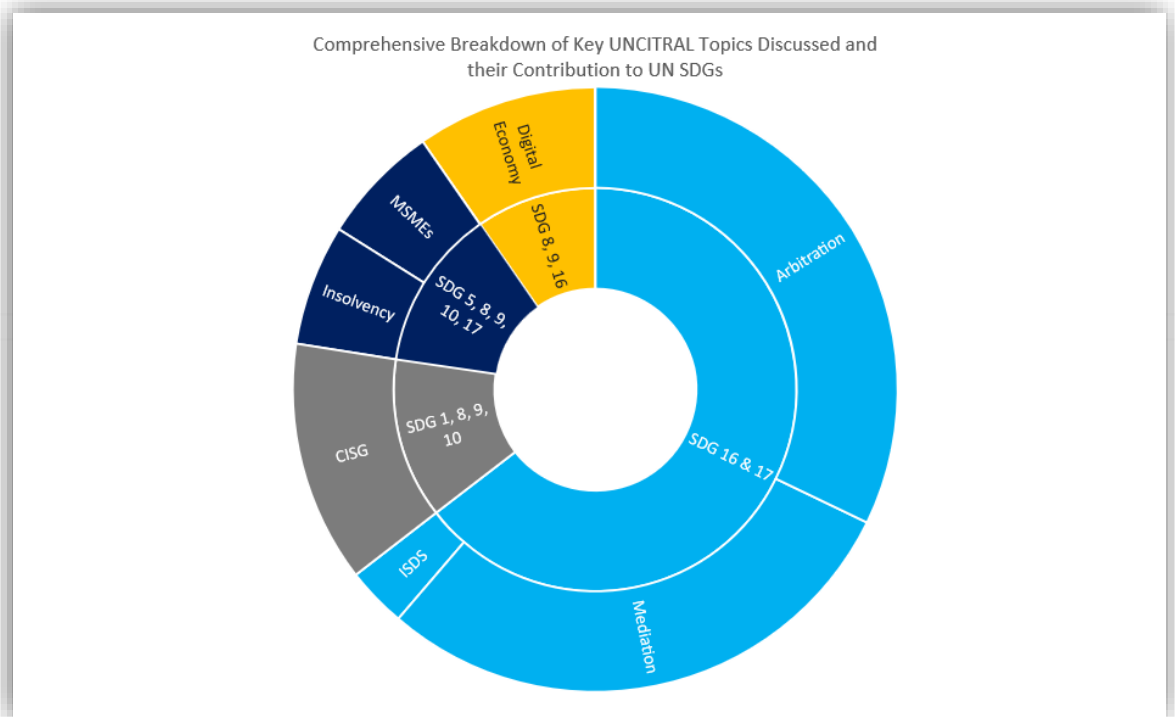


- Goal 4 : *Ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education and promoting lifelong learning opportunities for all;*
- Goal 5 : *Achieving gender equality and empower all women and girls;*
- Goal 8 : *Promoting sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all;*
- Goal 9 : *Building resilient infrastructure, promoting inclusive and sustainable industrialization and fostering innovation;*
- Goal 12 : *Ensuring sustainable consumption and production patterns;*

<sup>4</sup> For more information on UNCITRAL's contributions to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (generally and with reference to specific subject-areas), please visit the UNCITRAL website at <https://uncitral.un.org/en>.

- Goal 16 : *Promoting peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, providing access to justice for all and building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels; and*
- Goal 17 : *Strengthening the means of implementation and revitalizing the global partnership for sustainable development.*

23. Different subject areas of UNCITRAL’s texts explored in the AP Days 2022 series also contribute to different SDGs. In particular, UNCITRAL RCAP delivered a focused presentation on how UNCITRAL’s work contributes to the advancement of the SDGs in the AP Days event co-organized with the Research Institute of Environmental Law of the Wuhan University; and Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services.





## UNCITRAL online courses

24. UNCITRAL's online courses were also introduced as a key feature in the AP Days events. In collaboration with the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITC/ILO), UNCITRAL has launched four courses so far, namely, "Introduction to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law," "UNCITRAL Texts on Public Procurement and Public-Private Partnerships," "UNCITRAL Mediation Framework" and "UNCITRAL International Commercial Arbitration."

25. These interactive and self-paced courses introduce users to UNCITRAL's work on legal harmonization in promoting international trade and its contribution to the achievement of the SDGs. They further provide an overview of UNCITRAL texts on public procurement and public-private partnerships and the UNCITRAL mediation and arbitration frameworks.


26. The course on "Introduction to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law" is currently available in both English and Chinese while the other three courses are currently available in English. All online courses are free of charge and an electronic certificate is downloadable from the platform for users upon completion.

27. The online courses are accessible via UNCITRAL's official webpage at: <https://uncitral.un.org/en/onlinecourses>.

### UNCITRAL Online Courses


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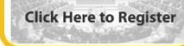
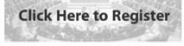
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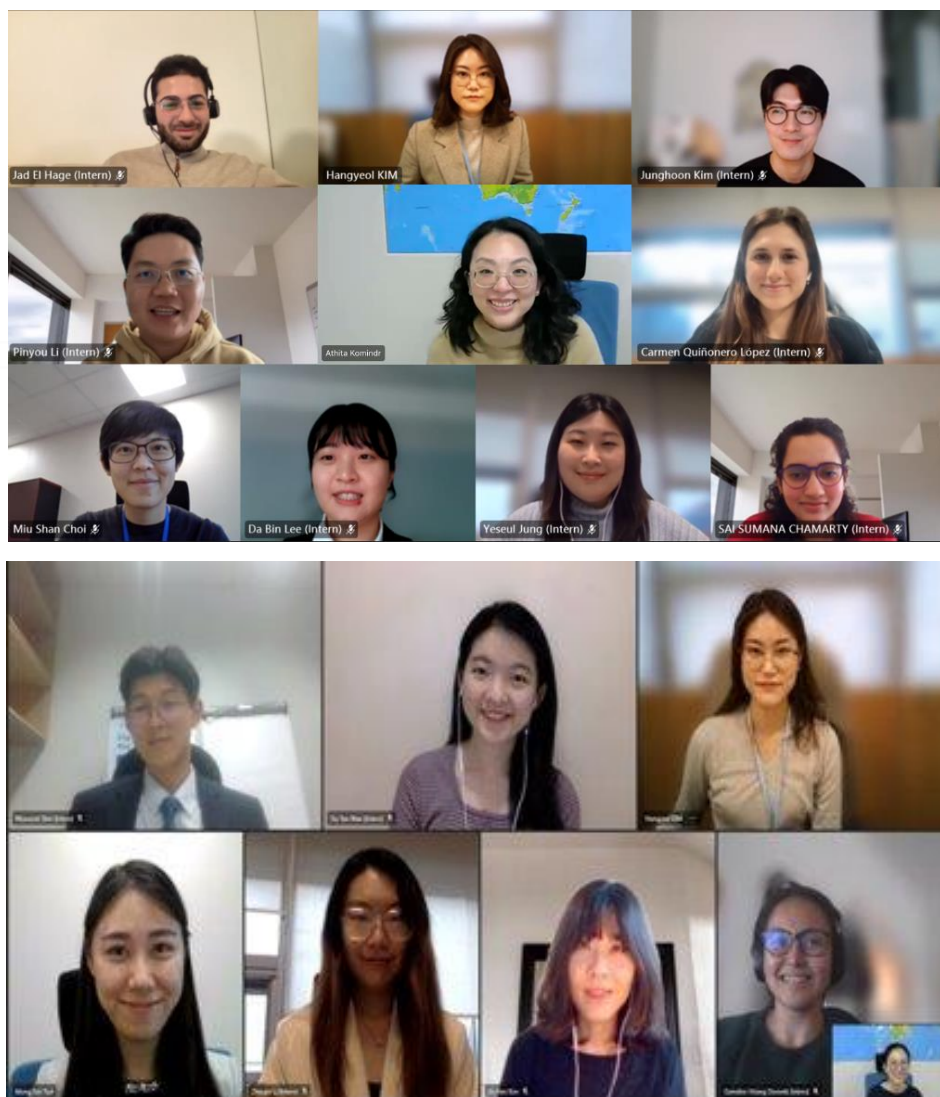
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**2. Enroll in the course**

## UNCITRAL RCAP Internship

28. Another theme highlighted throughout the AP Days 2022 series was the UNCITRAL RCAP Internship Programme. Anchored from the UNCITRAL RCAP office in Incheon, Republic of Korea, interns improve their knowledge of international trade law principles by gaining first-hand experience about the work of UNCITRAL, activities of the UNICTRAL secretariat and the principal areas in which UNCITRAL operates, including technical assistance to trade law reform, and broad exposure to the activities of an international organization. UNCITRAL RCAP Interns work under the direct supervision of UNCITRAL RCAP professional staff and the positions are for a duration of two to six months. With the gradual easing of COVID-19 restrictions, the internship may be undertaken remotely or in-person at the UNCITRAL RCAP office.<sup>5</sup>



<sup>5</sup> For general information on the United Nations Internship Programme, please visit: <https://careers.un.org/lbw/home.aspx?viewtype=ip>.

## Concluding remarks

29. With the use of technology which enhances modes of delivery, the AP Days 2022 series continued to have broad jurisdictional reach, attracting participants and speakers from diverse backgrounds and geographical locations to enhance accessibility. On the other hand, with the ease of COVID-19 restrictions and the resumption of in-person instruction on university campuses, it is envisaged that some events may return to in-person mode in the next edition. Through the AP Days, it is hoped that more students, academics, legal practitioners, policy makers and other stakeholders, particularly those in the Asia-Pacific, acquire deeper understanding of the benefits of UNCITRAL instruments, uniform interpretation thereof, and the importance of legal harmonization for the facilitation of international trade and investment. The anticipated theme for the AP Days 2023 series will be on UNCITRAL e-commerce instruments and the digital economy.

30. UNCITRAL RCAP is grateful for the continuing enthusiasm for, and generous support of, the UNCITRAL AP Days from partnering universities and institutions across the Asia Pacific region. As the AP Days 2022 series has come to a conclusion, it is hoped that the 2023 series will be equally well received. For institutions interested in co-organizing an AP Days activity, please contact UNCITRAL RCAP to explore collaboration opportunities at:

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**Website:** [https://uncitral.un.org/en/TA/regionalcentre\\_asia\\_pacific](https://uncitral.un.org/en/TA/regionalcentre_asia_pacific)

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## UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific

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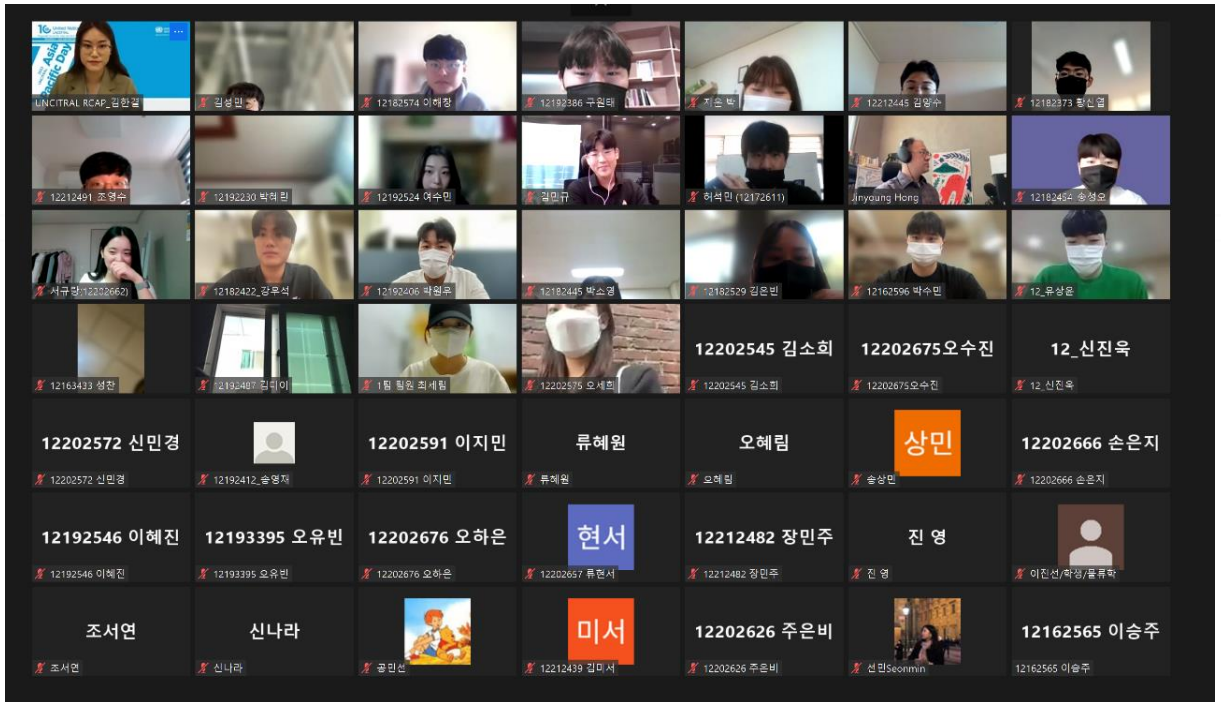


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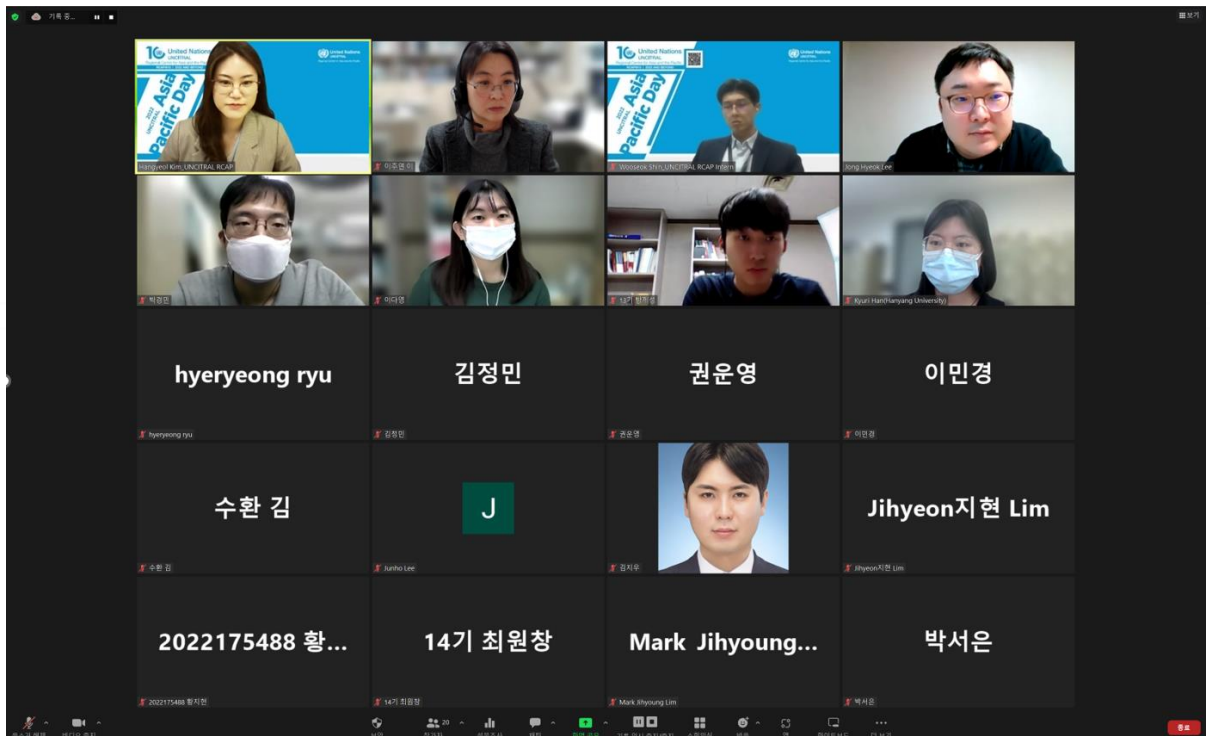
**Jungseok Research Institute of International Logistics and Trade,  
Inha University  
(Incheon, Republic of Korea, 30 September 2022)**

The AP Days 2022 series was officially launched with Inha University on 30 September 2022 via an online webinar delivered in Korean. Around 68 participants attended of which 39 were women and 29 were men. The theme of the event was “RCAP@10: The Next 10 Years of Legal Harmonization in the Region”. UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and an overview of various UNCITRAL texts. This event raised awareness of the role of UNCITRAL in the progressive modernization and harmonization of international trade law in national legal systems. A former UNCITRAL RCAP intern also shared his experiences in the internship programme. Lastly, a professor from Inha University discussed the results of a study on data mining in cross-border logistics.



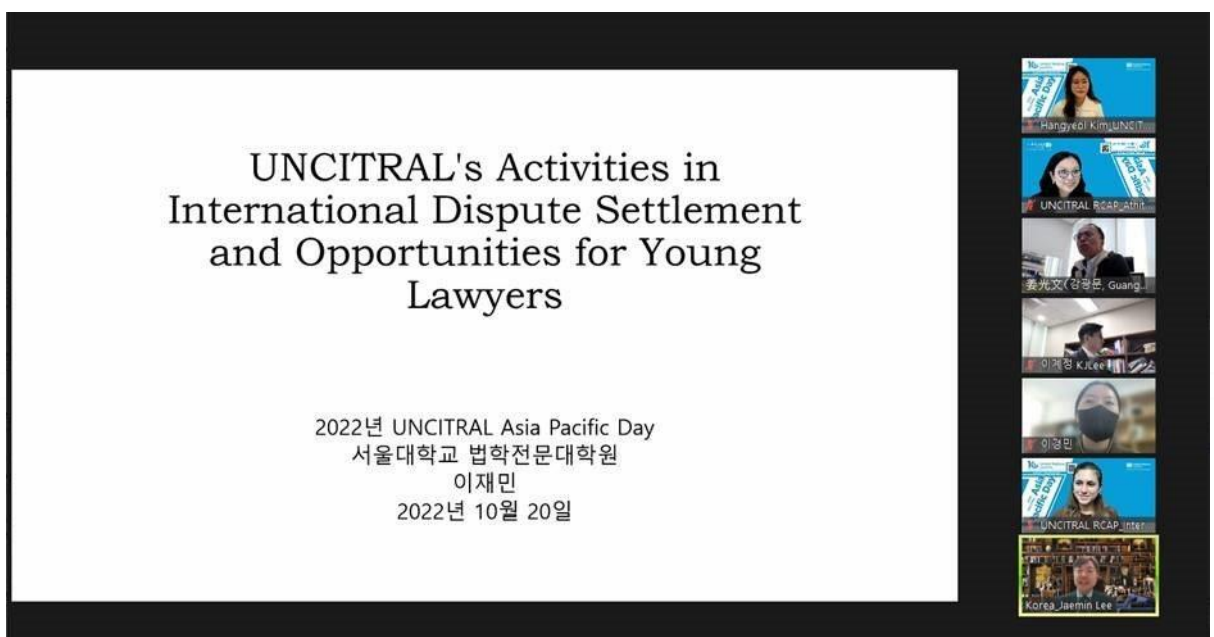
## Hanyang University School of Law (Seoul, 17 October 2022)

On 17 October 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with Hanyang University School of Law via an online webinar. This marked the first AP Days event hosted by Hanyang University. A total of 17 students, of which ten were women and six were men (with one unspecified), attended this event. UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and an overview of various UNCITRAL texts. The presentation highlighted the CISG and the United Nations Convention on International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation (the “Singapore Convention on Mediation”). Lastly, a former UNCITRAL RCAP intern shared his experiences in the internship programme.



**Asia-Pacific Law Institute, Seoul National University  
(Seoul, 20 October 2022)**

On 20 October 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Asia-Pacific Law Institute of Seoul National University via an online webinar. Approximately 17 students, of which nine were women and five were men (with three unspecified), attended this event. UNCITRAL RCAP presented an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, and the UNCITRAL mediation framework. Thereafter, a professor from Seoul National University discussed the activities of the UNCITRAL Working Groups. Lastly, an UNCITRAL RCAP intern shared her experiences in the internship programme.





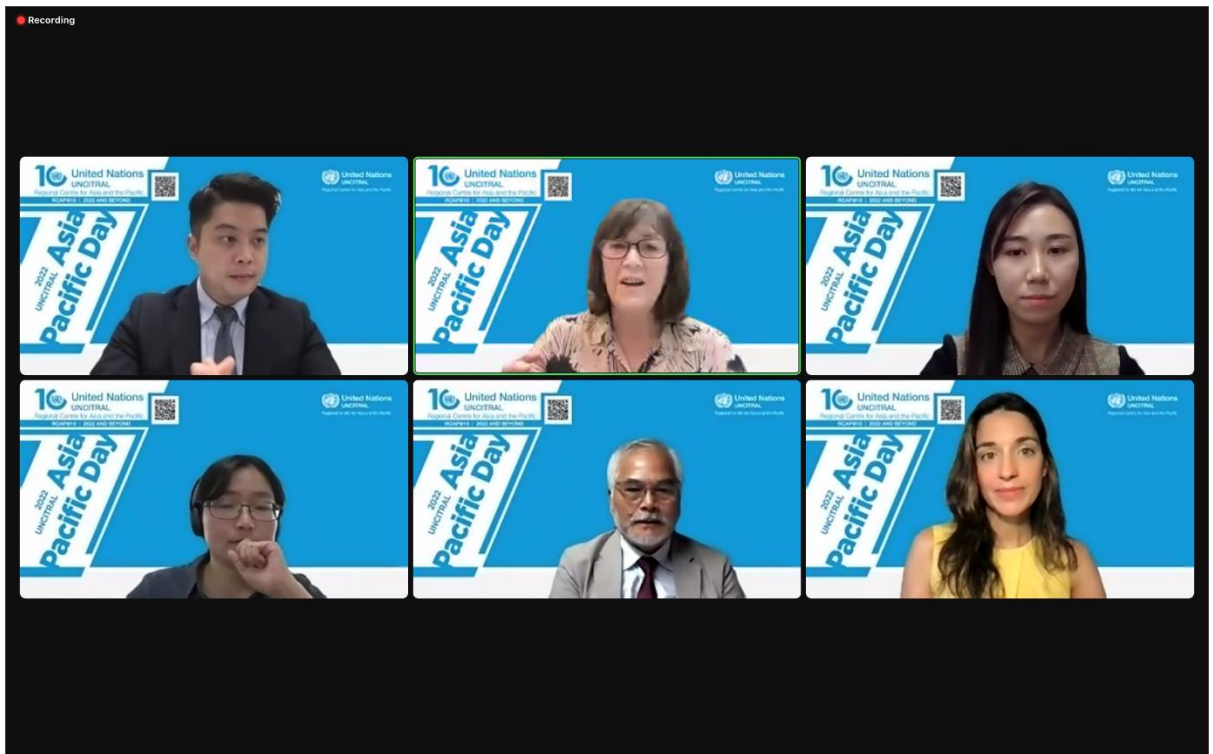
## Faculty of Shariah and Law, Villa College; and Maldives Moot Court Society (Malé, 27 October 2022)

On 27 October 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Faculty of Shariah and Law of Villa College and the Maldives Moot Court Society under the theme, “*Harmonizing International Commercial Laws for the Asia-Pacific Region to Facilitate Business & Trade*”. The event was held in a hybrid format. There were 63 participants. Thirty-seven participants attended in person while 26 participated remotely. UNCITRAL RCAP provided the opening remarks highlighting its role in promoting harmonization and modernization of international trade law in the Asia-Pacific as well as an overview of the UNCITRAL arbitration framework. Other speakers discussed topics such as the importance of harmonization in international trade law, and the role of arbitration in international trade and business. Lastly, an UNCITRAL Legal Officer presented on the importance of the CISG and the UNIDROIT Principles/International Principles of Contract Law (*Lex mercatoria*) in modernizing and harmonizing international contract law.



**Faculty of Law, The University of Hong Kong; Hong Kong Mediation Centre;  
and International Dispute Resolution & Risk Management Institute  
(Hong Kong, China, 27 October 2022)**

On 27 October 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Faculty of Law of the University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong Mediation Centre and International Dispute Resolution & Risk Management Institute via an online webinar. The theme of the event was, “*Charting the Course for Another Decade: Mediation and Arbitration in the Asia-Pacific Region*”. A total of 160 participants, 52% of whom were women and 48% were men, attended. The webinar focused on the latest trends and issues on alternative dispute resolution. UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and an overview of various UNCITRAL texts. Speakers from academia and practitioners presented on topics such as the hybrid process of mediation-arbitration/arbitration-mediation-arbitration, international legal harmonization, the increasing role of online dispute resolution, and issues such as digital access inequality between jurisdictions. The event concluded with a brief question-and-answer session.



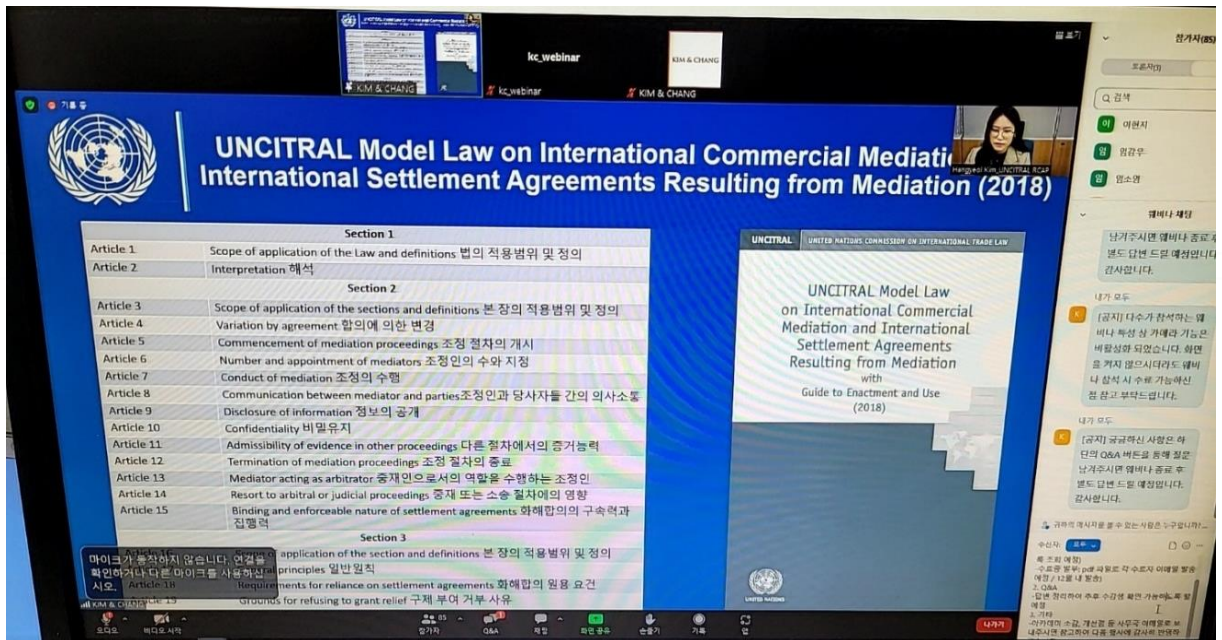
**East China University of Political Science and Law; and Arbitration and ADR,  
North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services  
(Shanghai, China, 4 November 2022)**

On 4 November 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with East China University of Political Science and Law, and Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services under the theme, “*The Next 10 Years: Prospects on International Arbitration – Opportunities and Challenges*”. The event was held in a hybrid format. Approximately 216 participants, of which 150 were women and 66 were men, joined the event. The event focused on the work of UNCITRAL Working Group II on dispute settlement. UNCITRAL RCAP delivered welcoming remarks highlighting the role of UNCITRAL RCAP in promoting harmonization and modernization of international trade law in the Asia-Pacific region. Speakers ranging from academics to arbitration experts discussed issues relating to international arbitration such as party autonomy.



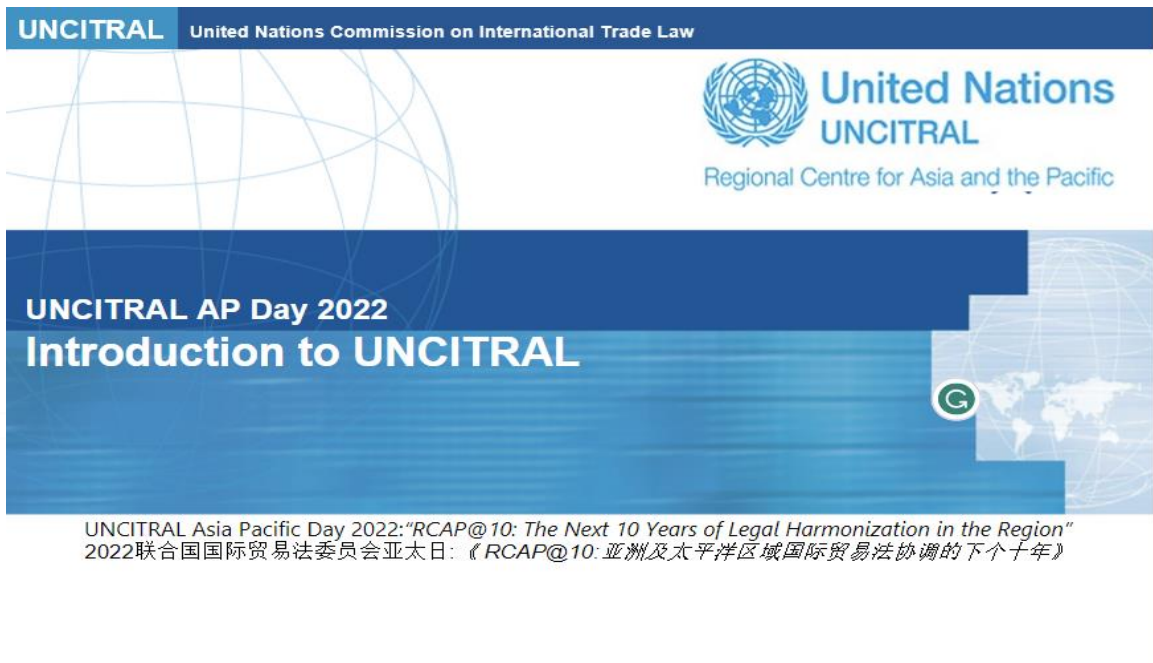
**Cyber Law Centre, Korea University; Korea International Mediation Centre;  
Korean Society of Mediation Studies; and Kim & Chang  
(Seoul, 5 November 2022)**

On 5 November 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Cyber Law Centre of the Korea University, Korea International Mediation Centre, Korean Society on Mediation Studies and Kim & Chang via an online webinar. There were a total of 81 participants from various Law schools within the Republic of Korea. Law professors delivered presentations on mediation, negotiation, and UNCITRAL instruments. Domestic and international lawyers gave additional insights on mediation, such as the reality of international mediation; and on the Singapore Convention on Mediation. UNCITRAL RCAP concluded the event by highlighting its role in promoting harmonization and modernization in the areas of international mediation and arbitration in the Asia-Pacific.



## Beijing Normal University Law School (Beijing, 21 November 2022)

On 21 November 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Beijing Normal University Law School via an online webinar on the theme, “*Post-Pandemic World Trade*”. The webinar was attended by approximately 20 students, of which 11 were women and nine were men. The webinar began with a presentation on UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, and their role in promoting harmonization and modernization of international trade law, followed by discussions on the effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic on world trade.



## Industrial Security Research Center, Chung-Ang University (Seoul, 25 November 2022)

On 25 November 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Industrial Security Research Center of Chung-Ang University under the theme, “*An Approach to Establish Economic Security System under Global Trade Environment*”. The event was held in a hybrid format. There were a total of 30 participants. Twenty-one participants attended the event in person, ten of which were women and 11 were men. There were also nine virtual participants, three of which were women and six were men. UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and an overview of various UNCITRAL texts on e-commerce and digital trade. The role of UNCITRAL RCAP in the harmonization of international trade law in the Asia-Pacific region was also highlighted. Several experts gave presentations on current issues on digital trade and e-commerce as well as international mediation and arbitration.



**Faculty of Law, University of Macau; World Trade Center Macau Arbitration Center; Shanghai Arbitration Commission; and CIETAC Hong Kong Arbitration Center  
(Macao, China, 2 December 2022)**

On 2 December 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Faculty of Law of the University of Macau, World Trade Center Macau Arbitration Center, Shanghai Arbitration Commission and CIETAC Hong Kong Arbitration Center, in a hybrid joint conference under the theme, *“The Renewed Role of Legal Harmonization in the Post-Pandemic Recovery of International Trade and Commerce”*. There were a total of 483 in-person and remote participants. UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including their activities and internship programme, and an overview of various UNCITRAL texts. Experts and scholars focused particularly on the role of the work of UNCITRAL in the Asia Pacific facilitating regional legal harmonization and its relevance for economic integration in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. The diverse thematic tracks of the conference converged in scrutinizing the scope and significance of legal harmonization and the work of UNCITRAL in the context of the post-pandemic economic recovery process.



**Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Department of Justice, Philippines  
(Manila, 7 December 2022)**

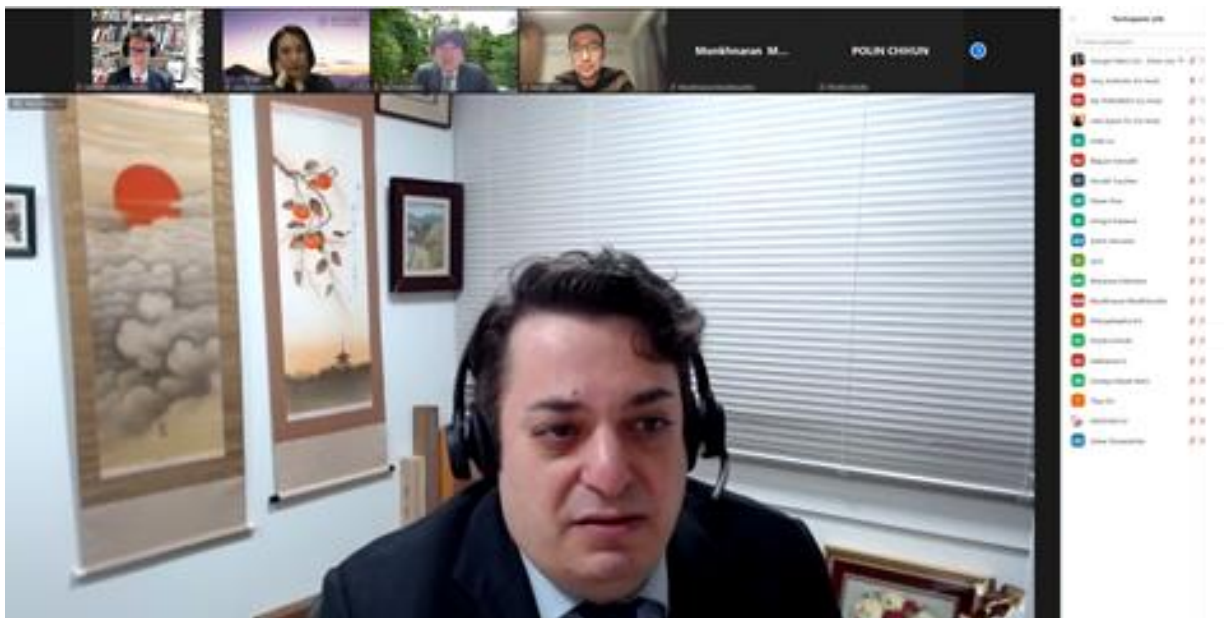
On 7 December 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution of the Department of Justice of the Philippines. The event was held in a hybrid format and was part of the Philippines' Third National Alternative Dispute Resolution Convention themed "*Modern and Inclusive Justice: The Future of ADR in the Philippines*". Participants ranging from Law students, government officials and representatives from partner organizations attended the event. There were a total of 187 onsite participants, 101 of which were women and 86 were men. The livestream garnered 1,900 views. Sign language interpretation was provided throughout the event. UNCITRAL RCAP delivered an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and the UNCITRAL frameworks on arbitration and mediation. An ADR-expert and practitioner from the Philippines also presented on the interplay between the UNCITRAL instruments and the Philippines' legal framework on alternative dispute resolution.





**Nagoya University Graduate School of Law; and Japan Commercial Arbitration Association  
(Nagoya, Japan, 13 December 2022)**

On 13 December 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Nagoya University Graduate School of Law and the Japan Commercial Arbitration Association via an online webinar under the theme, “*The Role of Arbitration in Legal Harmonization: An East Asian Perspective*”. Twenty-two participants, of which 12 were women and ten were men, from 14 countries attended the event. Professors from the Nagoya University Graduate School of Law provided the opening and closing remarks. Arbitration experts discussed the cooperation between arbitration institutions as a tool for harmonization.



**School of Law, Far Eastern Federal University  
(Vladivostok, Russian Federation, 19 December 2022)**

On 19 December 2022, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the School of Law of the Far Eastern Federal University. The event was held in a hybrid format. Sixty students attended the event in person, of which 39 were women and 21 were men. UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and the UNCITRAL frameworks on arbitration and mediation. Law Professors from the Far Eastern Federal University delivered presentations on the legal protection of investors and the current status of alternative dispute resolution system in the Russian Federation.



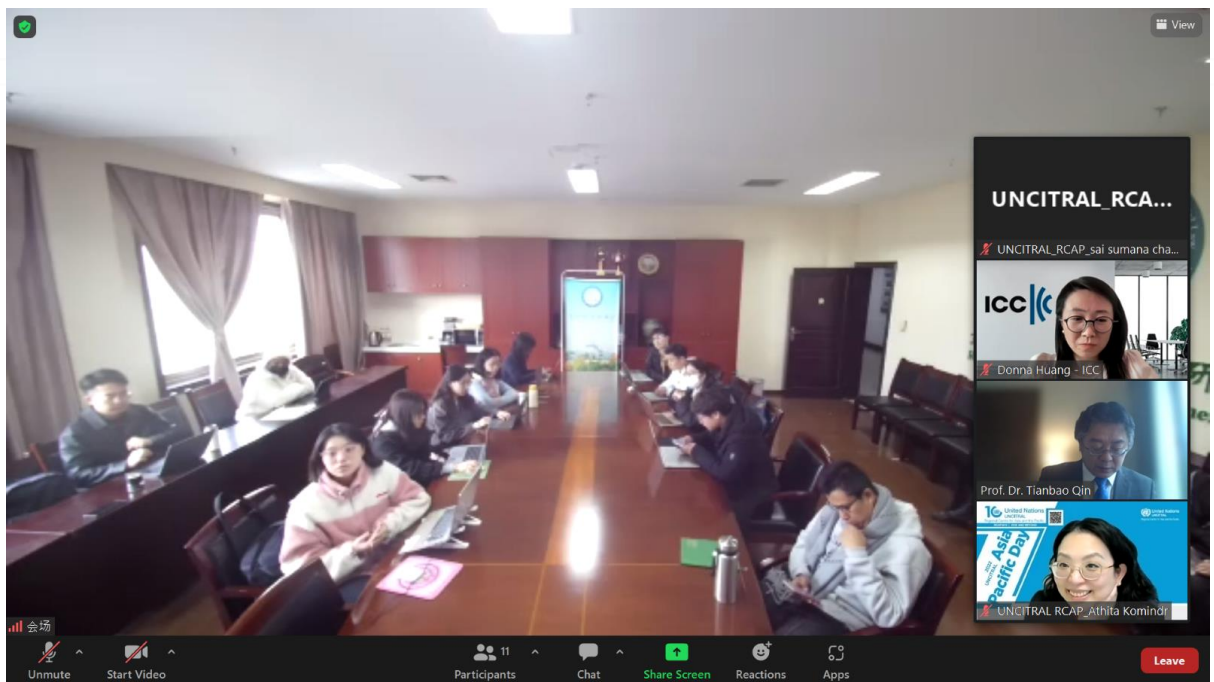
## City University of Hong Kong; and Hong Kong Mediation Council (Hong Kong, China, 20 February 2023)

On 20 February 2023, UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the City University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Mediation Council. The event was held in a hybrid format as an in-class lecture attended in person by 97 students; 69 women and 28 men. Under the theme “*RCAP@10: The Next 10 Years of Legal Harmonization in the Region*”, UNCITRAL RCAP provided an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, including its activities and internship programme, and the UNCITRAL frameworks on arbitration and mediation. A Professor at the City University of Hong Kong discussed the current status of the alternative dispute resolution system in Hong Kong and ongoing initiatives in the field of dispute resolution related to UNCITRAL instruments. Lastly, current and former UNCITRAL RCAP interns shared their experiences in the internship programme.



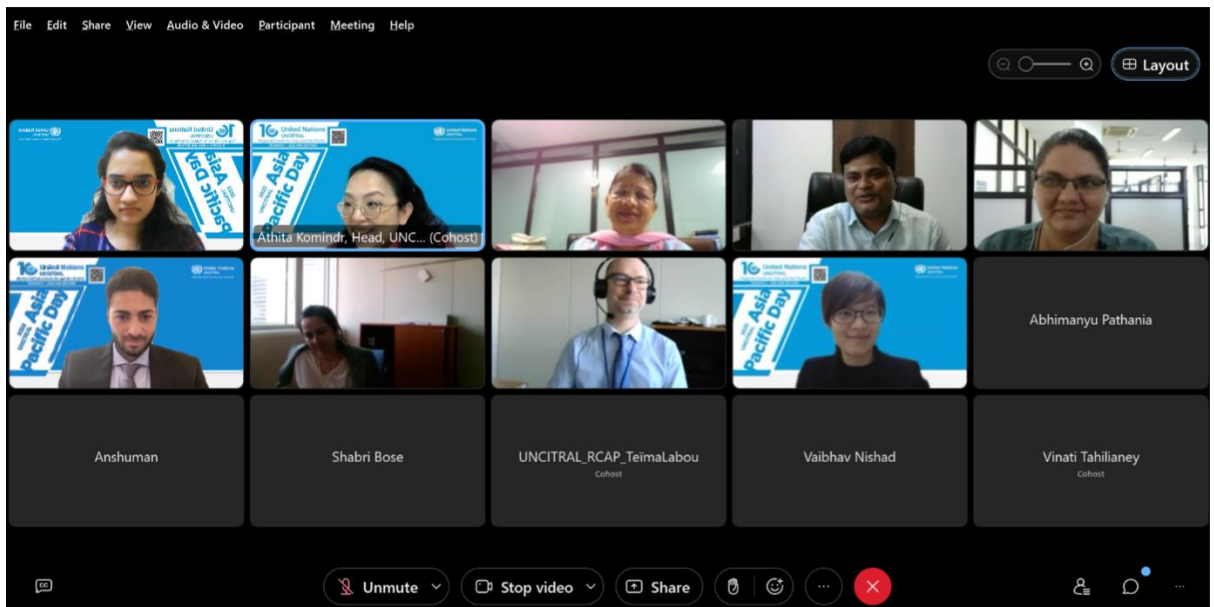
## Research Institute of Environmental Law, Wuhan University; and Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services (Wuhan, China, 2 March 2023)

On 2 March 2023 UNCITRAL RCAP co-organized an AP Days event with the Research Institute of Environmental Law of Wuhan University, and Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services. The event was held in a hybrid format with a live broadcast attended by 124 participants. Under the theme “*Sustainable Development: Value of International Arbitration and Mediation*”, UNCITRAL RCAP presented on how the work of UNCITRAL contributed to the advancement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) especially in the fields of MSMEs, international sale of goods, e-commerce and alternative dispute resolution. The UNCITRAL RCAP representative also gave an overview on UNCITRAL arbitration and mediation frameworks and introduced the UNCITRAL RCAP internship programme. ICC then shared practical ways to contribute to the SDGs through the adoption of greener behaviours in the arbitration process such as the use of remote hearing (and hence reducing flights) and reduction of the use of paper. The discussion was expanded to diverse topics through the Q&A session that addressed issues on gender equality and climate change.



## Gujarat National Law University Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law (Gujarat, India, 16 March 2023)

The AP Days 2022 series closed with an event co-organized with the Gujarat National Law University Centre for Corporate and Insolvency Law ('GCCIL') on 16 March 2023. The event was held in an online format and attended by 25 participants. UNCITRAL RCAP opened the floor with an overview of UNCITRAL and UNCITRAL RCAP, followed by a highlight on UNCITRAL frameworks on mediation and arbitration. A professor from GCCIL then presented on legal harmonization in India via the CISG and UNCITRAL instruments on insolvency. Thereafter, a senior lecturer from Victoria University in Australia discussed data flows in the context of the CISG. Finally, a legal expert from RCAP presented the internship programme followed by sharing from two current interns on their experiences and insights on the internship programme.



**Acknowledgements from Participating Universities and Institutions**

Below are some extracted testimonials from the UNCITRAL AP Days 2022 series partnering universities and institutions (organized in alphabetical order) discussing the benefits to students and stakeholders:

*"We are delighted to work with UNCITRAL RCAP and academic institutions hand in glove to achieve our common goal – a better understanding of international commercial law, a better international law community and better future for all in the region. UNCITRAL RCAP has provided the young generation in the Asia Pacific region with plenty of opportunities to find out the legislation trend of the United Nations and a real window to understand the mandates of international organization, ICC is proud to contribute in this meaningful educational program."*

**Arbitration and ADR, North Asia, ICC Dispute Resolution Services**

*"The Lecture enriched the participants' understanding on the COVID-19 vaccine patent global distribution and legal impacts on international trade. More than 20 Beijing Normal University LLM, Juris Master and Ph.D. students from China, France, Italy, Russia, Congo and Uganda joined the virtual event and warmly interacted with the lecturers. All the students voiced their strong interests in knowing more about the UNCITRAL RCAP and UN internship program. We are looking forward to having more joint academic events, physical or virtual, with the UNCITRAL RCAP in the future."*

**Beijing Normal University Law School (China)**

*"The 2022 UNCITRAL AP Day event was a valuable opportunity to learn about the importance of and many things that the UN Commission on International Trade Law has been doing to facilitate regional and global trade. In particular, Chung-Ang University students were able to learn about the role and various activities of UNCITRAL for the modernization and harmonization of legal framework in the field of international trade and to gain insight into how to resolve cross-border disputes through arbitration which is acknowledged as an efficient and fair dispute resolution method. UNCITRAL RCAP has greatly contributed to development of international commercial and trade law in the Asia-Pacific region over a decade since its establishment and we believe that RCAP will leap forward as a key organization carrying out that mandate. We hope and pray that our mutual cooperation will continue in the future."*

**Chung-Ang University (Republic of Korea)**

*"CIETAC Hong Kong Arbitration Center is pleased to support and speak on the 2022 UNCITRAL AP Day. The discussions on online dispute resolution mechanism, reform of investment dispute settlement mechanism, and the use of a homogenized legal regime for insolvency and restructuring were timely and inspiring. It is encouraging to see students and legal practitioners, both young and*

*experienced, around the Asia-Pacific discuss what can be done to remove legal barriers and facilitate commercial transactions. We send our best wishes to UNCITRAL RCAP for its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary and look forward to more collaborations in the region in the future.”*

**CIETAC Hong Kong Arbitration Center (Hong Kong, China)**

*“After hearing UNCITRAL interns share their experience at UNCITRAL RCAP, our students overwhelmingly expressed eagerness to apply for the UNCITRAL internship program. Our students relayed that they have studied UNCITRAL’s model texts, but it was not until this live interaction with UNCITRAL officers that they grasped the true power and impact of UNCITRAL model texts in the global context. City University of Hong Kong is very grateful that UNCITRAL widened the horizons for our students. This was truly one special class for our students. We look forward to collaborating with UNCITRAL RCAP next year.”*

**City University of Hong Kong (Hong Kong, China)**

*“Mediation, including (international) commercial mediation, has become more important these days, as the Singapore Mediation Convention has been effective since September 2020. The Korea International Mediation Centre (KIMC) has been trying to promote the use of international commercial mediation, as provided in the Singapore Mediation Convention. As mediation is not well educated even at law schools in Korea, the KIMC was very glad to offer a half day webinar on the theme of mediation for Korean law school students in cooperation with the UNCITRAL RCAP in November 2022. Those students were very happy with the informative and up-dated education on mediation.”*

**Cyber Law Center, Korea University; Korea International Mediation Center (Republic of Korea)**

*“By hosting and participating in AP Day, ECUPL teachers and students learned a lot of valuable knowledge and enhanced their understanding of UNCITRAL. Therefore, AP Day is not only a feast of knowledge, but also a dissemination of the basic philosophy and spirit of UNCITRAL.”*

**East China University of Political Science and Law (China)**

*“In 2022 Far Eastern Federal University School of Law has been honored to conduct the 4<sup>th</sup> joint AP Day with the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific in commemoration of its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Our students and stakeholders greatly benefit to observe UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific’s absolutely positive role and high efficiency in promoting the work and visibility of UNCITRAL in the Asia-Pacific region, providing assistance to the states concerning the implementation and uniform interpretation of UNCITRAL texts, as well as providing broad educational, research and internship opportunities. FEFU School of Law respects and fully supports cooperative relationship with UNCITRAL Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific and hopes to see continuous growth of our cooperation and further success!”*

**Far Eastern Federal University School of Law (Russian Federation)**

*“한양대학교는 UNCITRAL 아태지역사무소와 2022년에 처음으로 AP Day를 개최했습니다. 한양대학교 로스쿨 학생들의 UNCITRAL과 국제거래법에 대한 관심을 고려한다면 2022년에야 처음으로 AP Day를 가진 것은 꽤 늦은 것이었다고 할 수 있습니다. 그러나 향후 매년 한양대학교와 UNCITRAL 아태지역사무소가 AP Day를 개최함으로써 UNCITRAL의 임무에 대한 인식이 한국에서 확산되는 데 기여할 수 있을 것으로 믿습니다.”*

**Hanyang University School of Law (Republic of Korea)**

*“We are honoured to co-organise the annual flagship event Asia Pacific Day with UNCITRAL RCAP again, on the theme of “RCAP@10: The Next 10 Years of Legal Harmonization” this year. What the AP Day presented was not just the rigid knowledge of dispute resolution to attain harmonization, but also the broadening vision brought about for our audiences, who gave positive responses for the new horizon of understanding gained from AP Day. By covering the strong potential of development on technology in the next decade and the common application of technological means after the world-wide pandemic, the webinar has successfully led our audiences to new adaptations of approaches conducting global arbitrations and mediations.”*

**Hong Kong Mediation Centre; International Dispute Resolution and Risk Management Institute (Hong Kong, China)**

*“It is our privilege and pleasure to co-host the seminar with City University of Hong Kong Law School to mark the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of UNCITRAL RCAP. The theme of the AP Day 2022 “RCAP@10: The Next 10 Years of Legal Harmonization in the Region” resonates with Hong Kong Mediation Council’s work in Asia for the past 30 years, which is to help the community resolve disputes to maintain harmony. We are encouraged that the law students of the City University of Hong Kong have articulated that a live interaction with UNCITRAL officers helped them gain a solid understanding of how UNCITRAL carries out their mandate to further the progressive harmonisation and unification of international trade. They are in awe of how far-reaching and influential UNCITRAL model texts are in the global scene. Hong Kong Mediation Council is honoured to participate in this UNCITRAL flagship event.”*

**Hong Kong Mediation Council (Hong Kong, China)**

*“In recent years, the collaborations with UNCITRAL RCAP have been a significant opportunity for our students and researchers, and we anticipate that such cooperative activities will continue to expand in the future.”*

**Inha University (Republic of Korea)**

*“As a developing country, it is necessary for us to discuss the harmonization of international commercial law to facilitate business and trade. With this goal in mind, we were pleased to collaborate with UNCITRAL RCAP and the Faculty of Shari’ah*



and Law, Villa College to organize the 2022 Maldives Asia Pacific Day event. The event provided an overview of how legal harmonization and alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mechanisms, including UNCITRAL arbitration and mediation texts, benefit and establish harmonization. It was our absolute pleasure to organize and attend the event with various stakeholders for the first time physically in a hybrid format. We look forward to continuing this collaborative effort with our colleagues at UNCITRAL RCAP and Faculty of Shari'ah and Law, Villa College."

**Maldives Moot Court Society (Maldives)**

"Nagoya University Graduate School of Law is always proud to take part in the UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Day. We try to organize events on current topics in international commercial law aimed at involving practitioners, scholars, and students alike, in order to provide a valuable occasion for exchange and learning. The UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Day is a truly important initiative, which allows academic institutions to benefit from the coordination and visibility provided by the UNCITRAL Regional Center for Asia and the Pacific."

**Nagoya University Graduate School of Law (Japan)**

"The Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution is delighted and proud to be part of UNCITRAL Asia Pacific (AP) Day 2022 – the event that provides students of law the opportunity to learn more about UNCITRAL and its works in promoting alternative dispute resolution (ADR). The positive feedback we received from our participants from the academe and different institutions was truly inspiring. With this, we look forward to our future collaborations with UNCITRAL in bringing progress to the ADR community."

**Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution, Department of Justice  
(Philippines)**

"Following the increasing connection and interaction between trade and environment, the students' research in environmental law has benefited a lot from the lecture titled "Sustainable Development: Value of International Arbitration and Mediation." The lecture gives the chance to the Chinese and International students in Wuhan University to know the functions of UNCITRAL in the modernization and harmonization of national legal systems in the field of international trade and sustainable development. All students highly appraised this AP Day with UNCITRAL and the possibility of internship in UNCITRAL."

**Research Institute of Environmental Law, Wuhan University (China)**

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**Seoul National University (Republic of Korea)**

*“It is our great pleasure to host the UNCITRAL AP Day Events. We are very happy to see these events helped young law student broaden their vision and brought meaningful thinking for the next generation of legal professionals about how legal harmonization could contribute to international trade and commerce. We look forward to continually working with UNCITRAL RCAP in various areas in China and somewhere else in Asia Pacific.”*

**Shanghai Arbitration Commission (China)**

*“The conference offered an extensive program of interest and provided the opportunity for speakers and participants, including students, legal professionals, and scholars to deliberate a wide range of contemporary issues of legal harmonization of law in the post-pandemic period through the current agenda of UNCITRAL. The conference was focused on the different issues and challenges of contemporary international trade over the Asia Pacific, and in the Guangdong-Macao in-depth Cooperation Zone in particular, what raised the specific interests of all stakeholders.”*

**University of Macau (Macao, China)**

*“Attending a conference is always a quality means of absorbing new and understanding the latest information in the field. The great value of UNCITRAL RCAP’s efforts to provide law students and stakeholders with platforms to raise awareness of international trade standards and norms, especially in investment arbitration, cross-border proceedings of insolvency, harmonization of law governing electronic transactions, and the negotiable multimodal transport documents, is greatly appreciated. It was an honor for us to be one of the institutions supporting such a significant event.”*

**World Trade Center Macau Arbitration Center (Macao, China)**