

## Speaker bios – 2022 Tokyo Forum on Dispute Resolution

DAY 1 : Thursday, 15 December

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Opening & Stocktaking of developments in dispute resolution in the digital economy

### **Noriko Shibata**

**(Assistant Vice-Minister of Justice,  
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Ms. Noriko Shibata is Assistant Vice-Minister of Justice overseeing basic policy planning and coordination of all matters concerning international affairs and human rights in the Ministry of Justice of Japan (since 2021).

Appointed public prosecutor in 1998, Ms. Shibata has extensive experience as a practitioner in the field of criminal justice and international cooperation. Her notable achievements includes hosting the 14th United Nations Crime Congress (“Kyoto Congress”) in 2021 in Kyoto, Japan.

She has broad experience in legal technical assistance and capacity building in the South East Asia. She has worked as JICA Long-term Expert for the Royal School for Judges and Prosecutors of Cambodia (from 2006 to 2008) and as Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer at the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime in Bangkok (from 2015 to 2017).



### **Anna Joubin-Bret**

**(The Secretary, UNCITRAL)**

Ms. Anna Joubin-Bret is the Secretary of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and the Director of the International Trade Law Division in the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations, which functions as the substantive secretariat for UNCITRAL. She is the ninth Secretary of the Commission since it was established by the General Assembly in 1966.

Prior to her appointment on 24 November 2017, Ms. Joubin-Bret practiced law in Paris, specializing in International Investment Law and Investment Dispute Resolution. She focused on serving as counsel, arbitrator, mediator and conciliator in international investment disputes. She served as arbitrator in several ICSID, UNCITRAL and ICC disputes. Prior to 2011 and for 15 years, Ms. Joubin-Bret was the Senior Legal Adviser for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). She edited and authored seminal research and publications on international investment law, notably the Sequels to UNCTAD IIA Series and co-edited with Jean Kalicki a book on Reform of Investor-State Dispute Settlement in 2015.

Ms. Joubin-Bret holds a post-graduate degree (DEA) in Private International Law from the University of Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, a Masters Degree in International Economic Law from University Paris I and in Political Science from Institut d'Etudes Politiques. She was Legal Counsel in the legal department of the Schneider Group, General Counsel of the KIS Group and Director Export of Pomagalski S.A. She was appointed judge at the Commercial Court in Grenoble (France) and was elected Regional Counsellor of the Rhône-Alpes Region in 1998.



## **Meg Kinnear**

### **(Secretary-General of ICSID)**

Ms. Meg Kinnear is a Vice President of the World Bank Group and Secretary-General of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). As Secretary-General, she oversees a staff of 70 people, administering more than 300 investment arbitrations each year.

Ms. Kinnear was formerly the Senior General Counsel and Director General of the Trade Law Bureau of Canada. In November 2002, Ms. Kinnear was also named Chair of the Negotiating Group on Dispute Settlement for the Free Trade of the Americas Agreement. From October 1996 to April 1999, Ms. Kinnear was Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister of Justice of Canada. Prior to this, Ms. Kinnear was Counsel at the Civil Litigation Section of the Canadian Department of Justice (from June 1984 to October 1996).

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## **Jae Sung Lee**

### **(Senior Legal Officer, UNCITRAL)**

Mr. Jae Sung Lee is a senior legal officer at the International Trade Law Division (ITLD) of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs, which functions as the substantive secretariat for the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL). He currently functions as the Secretary of Working Group III on investor-State dispute settlement reform and has functioned as the secretary of the working groups on dispute settlement, secured transactions and electronic commerce. Before joining the United Nations in 2007, Mr. Jae Sung served in the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs. A Korean national, Mr. Jae Sung is a graduate of Seoul National University College of Law, holds LL.M. degrees from Seoul National University Graduate School of International Studies and NYU School of Law as well as a Ph.D in Law from Seoul National University. He has been a member of the New York Bar since 2006.



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Mr. Takashi Takashima is Legal Officer at the International Trade Law Division (ITLD) of the United Nations Office of Legal Affairs, which functions as the substantive secretariat of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL).

From April 2018 to September 2022, he was Senior Attorney of the Litigation Bureau and the Minister's Secretariat International Affairs Division of the Japanese Ministry of Justice. For the Japanese Government, he represented meetings and led policy coordination on legal issues in multilateral forums with a special focus on UNCITRAL and ICSID. He also played an essential role in the formulation of the Japanese Government's strategy on international disputes. His prior experience includes serving as Judge of various domestic courts in Japan for 12 years. Alongside his extensive experience in dispute settlement, he has diplomatic experience as second secretary of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations.

Mr. Takashima functioned as coordinator for the process on the enlargement of UNCITRAL membership and successfully led the negotiations to a consensual adoption of a resolution increasing UNCITRAL membership from 60 to 70 at the United Nations General Assembly in December 2021. He also served as Rapporteur for the UNCITRAL WGII project on the expedited arbitration rules.

## **Andrés Jana Linetzky**

### **(Founding Partner, Jana & Gil Dispute Resolution; UNCITRAL WGII Chair)**



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## **Joaquin Terceño**

### **(Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer)**



Mr. Joaquin Terceño is a partner in Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer's Disputes Group and the Head of Disputes for Japan.

Based in Tokyo, Joaquin is an experienced advocate who represents clients in complex international disputes and negotiations, with wide experience in investor-State and commercial disputes both in international arbitration and U.S. federal courts. Joaquin's practice also focuses on ESG (environmental, social, governance) issues ranging from risk assessment and due diligence to representing clients in ESG-related disputes, and is a member of the firm's Sustainability Leadership Group. His experience includes representing clients in global investigations, U.S. Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) litigation, U.S. and cross-border bankruptcy litigation, and general commercial disputes. He also has advised States on issues of public international law, including advising on compensation for victims of war crimes and the devolution of governmental authority to regional bodies.

## **John Ribeiro**

### **(Senior Legal Counsel, INPEX CORPORATION)**

Dr. John Ribeiro holds a Ph.D. in international commercial arbitration from Osaka University. He spent 9 years specializing in international commercial arbitration and other forms of dispute resolution at Herbert Smith Freehills (Tokyo and London) and now works as Senior Legal Counsel at INPEX CORPORATION. He read law at Queen Mary, University of London where he was also a research fellow at the School of International Arbitration. Dr. Ribeiro is a solicitor advocate and his experience includes advising business conglomerates, pharmaceutical and technology companies in a number of arbitration cases under, for example, the ICC, LCIA, JCAA, AAA and UNCITRAL rules. Dr. Ribeiro is fluent in both written and spoken Japanese. Dr. Ribeiro is an active member of several international law associations in Japan and is a founding member of the Young Japan Association of Arbitrators. He has published in both English and Japanese on topics including international commercial arbitration, international sales law and cross-border intellectual property disputes. He is on the editorial board of the World Arbitration Reporter and Japanese Yearbook of International Law.



## **Maud Piers**

### **(Professor, Ghent University)**

Ms. Maud Piers is an associate professor at Ghent University (Belgium) and the Director of the Center for the Future of Dispute Resolution. She is considered one of the thought leaders on artificial intelligence in dispute resolution and, through her edited book 'Arbitration in the Digital Age: the Brave New World of Arbitration', was recognized as one of the pioneers of digitalization in arbitration. She puts her expertise at the service of the legal community, for instance, as vice-president of Capani (Belgian Center for Arbitration and Mediation) and as a member of VIAC's Legal Tech Think Tank, and she regularly acts as an arbitrator and expert in domestic and international arbitrations. She has over a hundred publications on arbitration law, is a frequently sought after speaker at arbitration and dispute resolution conferences, and was the founder of and is currently an editor (and former editor-in-chief) for b-Arbitra, i.e. the Belgian Review for Arbitration.



## **Toby Landau**

### **(Barrister (London); Advocate (Duxton Hill Chambers, Singapore); Arbitrator)**

Mr. Toby Landau KC is a barrister, advocate and arbitrator, and a member of the Bars of England & Wales, Singapore, New York, the BVI and Northern Ireland, and is registered in the DIFC. He practises in London as a sole practitioner and in Singapore from Duxton Hill Chambers (Singapore Group Practice).

As Counsel, he has argued hundreds of major international commercial, investor-State and inter-state arbitrations, as well as ground-breaking cases in the highest courts of England, Singapore, Hong Kong, Pakistan and the Caribbean. He was the first QC/KC to have been permanently called to the Singapore Bar, and since April 2012 he has been a member of the Panel of Advisors to the Attorney-General of Singapore.

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## **Anne-Karin Grill** **(Principal, AKG ADVISORY)**

Ms. Anne-Karin Grill is the founder and principal of AKG ADVISORY. She is an experienced international arbitration lawyer and well-versed in other forms of alternative dispute resolution (ADR), especially mediation. She advises clients in commercial arbitration proceedings in accordance with the rules of key arbitral institutions and has an excellent track-record in investor-state arbitration. In addition to her advocacy work before international tribunals, Anne-Karin serves as arbitrator and acts as CEDR accredited mediator in multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes. As an IMI certified mediation advocate, Anne-Karin accompanies clients in negotiation and solution-generating processes, managing party dynamics and assisting in the formulation of legally sustainable solutions. She also advises in litigation proceedings before the Austrian state courts, in particular in proceedings for the domestic enforcement or setting-aside of international arbitral awards. Ms. Anne-Karin is a member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the Mediation Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC), and Vice-President of the Board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb|Aut). She also serves on the Panel of Conciliators of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). In 2022, the European Commission selected her for its new pool of arbitrators for appointment in bilateral disputes under EU trade agreements with third countries.



## **Andrea Hartmann-Piraudeau** **(CEO, Consensus GmbH and the International Mediation Campus; Mediator)**

Ms. Andrea Hartmann-Piraudeau (phD) is a mediator and the founder and managing director of Consensus, a company that offers business mediation, leadership training, and strategic organisational development. In addition to this, the Consensus Campus and the International Mediation Campus offer national and international mediation training with a focus on business mediation. Andrea holds a Ph.D. Her research areas are emotions in conflicts and the effects of mediator's interventions on the outcome of mediations and negotiations. She holds a master's degree in communication-science, sociology, and linguistics (university Mannheim) and a master's in mediation from the department of law from the University of Hagen. In her professional life, she was managing several intercultural teams and projects. She works as an advisor for different ministries and companies in Germany and in the European Union. Andrea is the team leader of an Erasmus+ (EU founded) project that aims to connect mediation training within Europe. She has a multicultural background and is passionate about working with intercultural teams.



## **Geoff Sharp**

### **(Commercial Mediator)**

Mr. Geoff Sharp has a global mediation practice and regularly mediates disputes in Europe and Asia including insurance, financial sector, country-to-country commercial disputes, contract supply, military, oil and gas, energy infrastructure, and construction.

Mr. Geoff Sharp is appointed to the International Advisory Board of the Office of the Ombudsman for United Nations Funds and Programmes where he joins a small group of global mediators and academics having oversight of the UN Global Mediation Panel. Mr. Geoff Sharp is a member of the Singapore International Mediation Centre's international panel of mediators, and an appointed SIMC ambassador. He is also a panel member of the Japan International Mediation Center in Kyoto, as well as a senior mediator at the Mainland-Hong Kong Joint Mediation Center. Also mediating in the Middle East, Geoff is an invited member of both the Qatar International Court and Dispute Resolution Centre and the Abu Dhabi Global Market Arbitration Centre panels of mediators.

Previously, Geoff was a litigation partner at New Zealand firm Bell Gully. He began his legal career at King & Wood Mallesons. He is admitted to the Bar in New Zealand and Australia (all NZ courts, the Supreme Court of Victoria, the High Court of Australia, and the Australian Federal Court)."



## **James Claxton**

### **(Professor of Law, Waseda University)**

Mr. James Claxton has more than fifteen years of experience in international dispute resolution with roles as mediator, arbitrator, attorney, and academic. He is an Associate Professor of Law at Waseda University in Japan, where he teaches courses in commercial and investment mediation, and Mediation Training Expert at the Office of the Ombudsman for United Nations Funds and Programmes. James is chairman of a working group of the International Mediation Institute and officer in the Mediation Committee of the International Bar Association. He has worked with the United States Agency for International Development and the International Finance Corporation on mediation capacity-building projects. His publications on mediation appear in the Asian Journal on Mediation, The Journal of World Trade, and the Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal. A Fellow in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, James began his career as an attorney specializing in international arbitration in Paris and was legal counsel at the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes of the World Bank in Washington.



## **Mariel Dimsey**

### **(Secretary-General, HKIAC)**

Dr. Mariel Dimsey is Secretary-General of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre responsible for its international dispute resolution services and operations from Hong Kong, Seoul, and Shanghai. She is an international commercial and investment arbitration specialist. Prior to joining the HKIAC, Mariel was a Partner at CMS and Co-Head of the global CMS International Arbitration Group. She has over 15 years' experience acting as adviser and advocate in numerous international arbitrations. She has extensive experience in both common law and civil law disputes, including disputes involving Chinese parties, and has full professional fluency in German. She also sits regularly as arbitrator and has experience as arbitrator under the HKIAC, ICC, KCAB, and DIS Rules, and in ad hoc disputes. She is on the arbitrator panels of several institutions. She is a past co-chair of the HK45 Committee, and a Vice-Chair of WILHK. She is consistently ranked in both the regional and global editions of the leading legal directories. Mariel has a Dr. iur. (summa cum laude) from the University of Basel, an LLM from the University of Cologne and an LLB/BA (Business German) from the University of Queensland. She is admitted to practice law in Australia and Hong Kong.



## **Shunsuke Mori**

### **(Manager, Deloitte Tohmatsu Financial Advisory)**

Mr. Shunsuke Mori is the manager of the Deloitte Tohmatsu Financial Advisory (DTFA) and oversees the planning and development of its ODR platform and other digital services. Prior to joining DTFA, he worked at an advertising agency and was responsible for planning and implementing marketing communications strategies, including promotions using digital media.



## **Satoshi Tsukamoto**

### **(Attorney-at-law (Japan), U&I Advisory Service)**

Mr. Satoshi TSUKAMOTO is a member of URYU & ITOGA, which is a law firm belongs to the same U&I group as U&I Advisory Service. Also, Satoshi TSUKAMOTO is a legal advisor to U&I Advisory Service and supports variety of U&I advisory service's operations which include acting as an attorney for application for certification by the Minister of Justice of Japan as a certified dispute resolution business operator under the ADR Act (Act on Promotion of Use of Alternative Dispute Resolution). Satoshi TSUKAMOTO has a wide variety of expertise both in domestic and international cases which include general corporate, fraud investigation including digital forensics, labor law, litigation, arbitration, and regulatory matters and has abundant experience in assisting Japanese corporations in dispute issues and passed CPA examination of Japan.



## **Teresa Rodriguez de las Heras Ballell**

### **(Professor of Commercial Law, Carlos III University of Madrid)**

Professor of Commercial Law, Carlos III University of Madrid, Spain  
Academic Visitor at the Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge, 2022  
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Member of EU Expert Group on Liability/Technologies formation; of Expert Group to the EU Observatory on Platform Economy assisting the EU Commission on Platform rules; and of the Expert Group on B2B Data Sharing and Cloud Computing.

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Member of the Inclusive Global Legal Innovation Platform (IGLIP) on Online Dispute Resolution. Member of ELI Council and ELI Executive Committee. Author of ELI Innovation paper Guiding Principles on ADM in Europe, 2022. Member of ELI Project on Model Rules for Online Platforms and Assessor to ELI Project on Smart Contracts and Blockchain. European Central Bank Legal Research Programme 2018 fellow with a project on Fintech and Stanford TTLF fellow with a comparative analysis of US-EU regulations on Crowdfunding platforms.



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## May Tai

### (Managing Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills)

Ms. May Tai is the Managing Partner of the firm's nine Asia offices. She is based in Hong Kong but also spends time in Herbert Smith Freehills' Shanghai and Beijing offices, and has also practiced in London, Singapore and Tokyo.

In addition to her management role, May specializes in international arbitration. She regularly advises governments, government-owned entities and commercial clients (including financial institutions and energy companies), including acting as counsel and advocate in arbitrations under various rules.

She also sits as arbitrator in ICC, HKIAC, SIAC and UNCITRAL Rules proceedings, and has also sat as an Emergency Arbitrator.



## **Brian King**

**(Arbitrator**

**Adjunct Professor, New York University School  
of Law)**



Mr. Brian King practices as an independent arbitrator in commercial and investment disputes. With nearly 30 years of experience in the field, Brian acts as presiding, party-nominated, sole or emergency arbitrator in complex cases across industry sectors, with a particular focus on construction, corporate, energy, life sciences and investment disputes. He is among the most sought-after arbitrators of his generation.

Until December 2018, Brian was a senior partner in the international arbitration group at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, based in New York. Brian acted as counsel in more than 100 arbitrations over the course of his career, including two of the largest ICSID arbitrations to date.

Brian publishes frequently on arbitration topics and is a regular speaker at industry and government conferences. He is an active member of several professional organizations, including the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR, and has been an Adjunct Professor at the N.Y.U. School of Law since 2013.

A graduate of Princeton University (summa cum laude) and the N.Y.U. School of Law (first in class), Brian clerked for federal judges in New York and Washington, D.C. before accepting a position as a legal advisor at the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal in 1994. He then practiced at the Dutch law firm Stibbe for three years before joining the Amsterdam office of Freshfields on its founding in 1999. Brian led the international arbitration practice there until his return to New York in 2007.

Brian maintains offices in New York and in London, where he is an arbitrator member of chambers at 3 Verulam Buildings. In addition to his native English, Brian speaks Dutch and reads Spanish and French.