



Speaker bios - 2021 Tokyo Forum on Dispute Resolution

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Stocktaking of developments in dispute resolution in the digital economy(Part II)

Session	Speaker	Bio
Arbitration /mediation and engagement of courts	Osamu Kaneko (Director-General, Ministry of Justice, Japan) 	Mr. Osamu Kaneko is Director-General of the Civil Affairs Bureau of the Ministry of Justice of Japan. As part of his responsibilities with the Ministry of Justice, he has engaged in drafting the Non-Contentious Case Procedures Act, the Domestic Relations Case Procedure Act and the Act for Implementation of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. Originally he started his career as Judge and served at various courts such as Tokyo, Osaka and Sapporo. He holds an LL.M. degree from Cornell University in the U.S. He also served as Professor of the Research and Training Institute for Family Court Probation Officers.
	Takashi Takashima (Senior Attorney, Ministry of Justice, Japan) 	Mr. Takashi Takashima has been Senior Attorney of the Litigation Bureau and the Minister's Secretariat International Affairs Division of the Ministry of Justice since January 2019. His primary responsibilities are to engage in the formulation of the Japanese Government's strategies on international disputes and to represent meetings and coordinate policy on legal issues in multilateral forums with a special focus on UNCITRAL and ICSID. Alongside his extensive experience in dispute settlement, having served as Judge of various domestic courts in Japan, 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 the current sixty to seventy at the United Nations Sixth Committee in November 2021. He also served as Rapporteur for the UNCITRAL WGII project on the expedited arbitration rules.

Online hearings and witness examination in arbitration

Jae Sung Lee
(Legal Officer, UNCITRAL)



Jae Sung Lee is a 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 the Working Group on Dispute Settlement (II), which prepared the Expedited Arbitration Rules and will look into issues relating to dispute resolution in the digital economy. He further services the Working Group on Investor-State Dispute Settlement Reform (III) and has previously functioned as the Secretary of the Working Groups on Secured Transactions (VI) preparing the Practice Guide to the Model Law on Secured Transactions and on Electronic Commerce (IV) preparing the Model Law on Electronic Transferable Records. Before joining the United Nations in 2007, Jae Sung served in the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Lisa Bingham
(Deputy Executive Director, ICCA)





Lisa Bingham is Deputy Executive Director of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) and Legal Counsel at the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA).

At ICCA, her role includes responsibility for many of ICCA's projects, such as the Right to a Physical Hearing research project, the ICCA-ASIL Task Force on Damages in International Arbitration, the ICCA Task Force on Standards of Practice and the Cross-Institutional Task Force on Gender Diversity in Arbitral Appointments and Proceedings. Lisa represents ICCA as an Observer at UNCITRAL Working Groups II and III.

Prior to joining ICCA and the PCA, Lisa worked as a disputes lawyer in international law firms in Paris and Melbourne, and at a boutique arbitration practice in Brussels. She was also a Legal Officer at the United Nations Compensation Commission in Geneva. Lisa is an Australian/UK/Belgian national and received her LL.B(Hons)/BA from the University of Melbourne and her LL.M (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar) from Columbia Law School.

Kevin Nash
(Deputy Registrar/Centre Director, SIAC)

As Registrar of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre, Kevin oversees the SIAC Secretariat in the provision of case management services and the supervision of SIAC's multinational Secretariat. Over the course of the past decade, Kevin has overseen the administration of thousands of international

		<p>cases under all versions of the SIAC Rules and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules.</p> <p>Kevin is a member of the Singapore delegation at UNCITRAL Working Group II (Dispute Settlement) and represents SIAC at UNCITRAL Working Group III (ISDS). He is listed by <i>Who's Who Legal</i> as one of the leading arbitration lawyers in Southeast Asia and a 'Future Leader' in the Global Guide.</p> <p>Kevin is qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor with the Law Society of Upper Canada. He speaks English and French.</p>
	<p>Kevin Kim (Senior Partner, Peter & Kim)</p> 	<p>Kap - You (Kevin) Kim is a founding partner at Peter & Kim in Seoul. He was previously a senior partner at Bae, Kim & Lee LLC, where he worked for the past three decades in various roles, including as the co - founder and head of the International Arbitration Practice and the head of the Domestic and International Disputes Group.</p> <p>Over the past 30 years, Kevin has acted as counsel, presiding arbitrator, coarbitrator or sole arbitrator in more than 300 cases of international arbitrations under various arbitration rules. Presently, he is involved in several investment and commercial arbitrations.</p> <p>Among other positions that he holds, Kevin is an Advisory Board Member of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA), the Chairman of the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board's (KCAB) International Arbitration Committee and an adjunct professor at the Seoul National University Law School.</p> <p>In the past, Kevin has served as the Vice President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration (2014 – 2021), Secretary General of ICCA (2010 – 2014), member of the LCIA Court (2007 – 2012) and Vice Chair of the IBA Arbitration Committee (2008 – 2010).</p>
	<p>Yoshihiro Takatori (Arbitrator; F.C.I.Arb./ JAA/JIDRC)</p>	<p>Yoshihiro (Yoshi) Takatori Attorney at Law, Admitted to N.Y. and Japan F.C.I.Arb. Kasumigaseki International Law Office/International Arbitration Chambers Executive Director of Japan Arbitrators Association, Co-Convener of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Japan Chapter, and Advisory Board/Chair of Web Hearing Committee. Top 10</p>



most innovative lawyers in Asia Pacific, as the only one Japanese lawyer, awarded by Financial Times, 2019. Ranked as BAND 1 for Dispute Resolution by Chambers, and Leading Lawyer by Legal 500. Listed as Arbitrator, at SIAC, JCAA and KCAB, and as Japan expert Mediator at SIMC.

After heading dispute resolution practice at Paul Hastings and Orrick Tokyo Office, joined/established International Arbitration Chambers at Kasumigaseki International Law Office, since May 2020.

Expertized in Cross-border Dispute Resolution including, IP, PL, Anti-Trust, and Employment, Compliance, and Cyber-Security. Conducting Training sessions for Japanese Judges including IP High Court, Tokyo High Court and Tokyo District Court, on International ADR, including SEP dispute resolution, requested by the Japanese Government, and various Bar Associations, such as Singapore, Hawaii, and Frankfurt.

Emmanuelle Ta
(CEO, eBRAM Centre)






Ms Ta is currently the Chief Executive Officer of eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre Limited.

With over 15 years of experience in international arbitration and case management, she has supervised hundreds of international arbitration cases in a wide range of jurisdictions and economic sectors.

As Counsel of the Secretariat of the International Court of Arbitration of the ICC, Asia Office in Hong Kong (2016-2021), she was responsible for managing the Hong Kong team, including administration of Asia-related arbitration cases. She was appointed as Vice-President of the Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Group (APRAG) from 2016 to 2019.

Prior to that, she worked as Deputy Counsel of the Secretariat of the ICC Court in Paris and was one of the founding members of the ICC Court Secretariat's first overseas case management team based in Hong Kong (2008).

She holds a Masters degree in International Business Law from the University Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, and a postgraduate degree in International Relations from the University of Marne-la-Vallée (France). She is qualified to practice at the Paris bar.

<p>Online mediation</p>	<p>James Claxton (Professor of Law, Waseda University)</p> 	<p>James has 15 years of experience in international dispute resolution as arbitrator, mediator, and attorney. Apart from practice, James is Professor of Law at Waseda University in Japan. His recent publications appear in the Asian Journal on Mediation, The Journal of World Trade, and the Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal. James began his career as an attorney with law firms in Paris and as legal counsel at the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) of the World Bank in Washington.</p>
	<p>Anne-Karin Grill (Principal, AKG ADVISORY)</p> 	<p>Anne-Karin Grill specializes in international dispute prevention and resolution. She has a proven track-record as counsel in both commercial and investment arbitration settings. She also disposes of first-hand experience in hybrid ADR process design. 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. As a CEDR accredited mediator, she acts as neutral in multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes and is also active in investor-state mediation. Her arbitrator work focuses on multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes. Anne-Karin is a member of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators, a member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the Board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb Aut), and the Mediation Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC).</p>
	<p>Chuan Wee Meng (CEO, SIMC)</p> 	<p>Wee Meng is an experienced lawyer of more than 30 years, working out of Beijing, Hong Kong, Sydney and Singapore. Prior to joining SIMC, he served as General Counsel of IBM Greater China and Nortel Networks Asia Pacific for about 20 years. He has advised senior leadership of MNCs as lead counsel on legal and regulatory issues arising out of doing business in Greater China, India, Japan, Korea, ASEAN, Australia and New Zealand. Wee Meng graduated with a law degree from the National University of Singapore and holds a Master of Laws from the University of Hong Kong. He is called to the Singapore Bar and Hong Kong's Roll of Solicitors.</p>

Nadja Alexander
(SIDRA)



Nadja Alexander specialises in cross-cultural disputes involving corporations and communities. Three decades of dispute resolution engagement has taken her to diverse corporate and development settings in more than 40 jurisdictions. Described as a practical thinker and a thinking practitioner, Nadja is internationally regarded for her deep knowledge and inclusive communication style. Professor Alexander sits on the International Advisory Board of the UN Global Mediation Panel and is director of SIDRA at Singapore Management University.

William Wood QC
(Brick Court Chambers,
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Bill Wood is a leading international mediator based in London. He was the 2018 Mediation Lawyer of the Year and is the ADR representative on the Civil Justice Council of England and Wales. Bill was educated at Oxford and Harvard before going to the London Bar in 1980. He became a QC in 1998 and spent over 25 years as a commercial litigator. He is based at leading London set Brick Court Chambers. He began to mediate in 1999 and now practises as a full-time commercial mediator handling some 80 cases each year, many of them prior to lockdown in overseas jurisdictions.