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*Judges, Regulators & Justice Officials
who have an interest in Judicial Co-operation
and the development and improvement of
laws dealing with insolvency proceedings including
Multinational and Cross-Border Insolvencies,
Rehabilitations, Reconstructions and Bankruptcies*

to the

**THIRTEENTH
MULTINATIONAL JUDICIAL
COLLOQUIUM
ON INSOLVENCY**

in

Singapore, Republic of Singapore

at the

*Sands Expo and Convention Centre
1st – 2nd April 2019*

**Multinational Judicial Colloquium on Insolvency,
Singapore, Republic of Singapore
Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd April 2019**

Since 1995, INSOL International and UNCITRAL have jointly sponsored a series of unique and important international Judicial Colloquia. These Colloquia have brought together judges, regulators and judicial officials from around the world to consider a wide range of insolvency-related issues. These issues have included judicial co-operation in cases of cross-border insolvency, access to courts by insolvency practitioners and recognition of insolvency administrations by foreign courts.

The Judicial Colloquia have taken place in Toronto (March 1995); New Orleans (March 1997); Munich (October 1999); London (July 2001); Las Vegas (September 2002); Sydney (March 2005); Cape Town (March 2007); Vancouver (June 2009); Singapore (March 2011); The Hague (May 2013); San Francisco (March 2015); and the Twelfth Judicial Colloquium was held in Sydney (March 2017) prior to the INSOL Conference.

The Thirteenth Joint Multinational Judicial Colloquium on Insolvency will take place in Singapore, Republic of Singapore in April 2019, prior to the INSOL 2019 Asia Pacific Annual Regional Conference. The Colloquium has always had great support and we would expect around 100 judges from more than 50 nations to attend.

We invite and encourage you to send judges, regulators and justice officials who deal with insolvency and bankruptcy matters to the Colloquium.

The Colloquium will be in English.

Delegate Fee

There is a nominal charge of £375 for registrations received before 14th January 2019 and £425 for those received after the early booking deadline, in addition to which delegates are responsible for their own hotel and travel costs and arrangements. The registration fee goes towards the cost of the Colloquium including refreshments and lunches on Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd April and dinner on Monday 1st April. Each attendee should complete a copy of the enclosed form.

The Colloquium precedes INSOL 2019; the Asia Pacific Annual Regional Conference of INSOL International. If you would like to attend the Conference in addition to the Colloquium the registration fee will be waived. All other additional costs need to be covered by the delegate. The full registration brochure for the Conference will be available in October. Please register your interest in attending with Penny Robertson at penny@insol.ision.co.uk

To assist participants from emerging countries, a 30% discount on this Colloquium fee is offered; for details of which countries qualify for this discount please contact Penny Robertson, INSOL International, at penny@insol.ision.co.uk

Judicial Colloquium Programme

Introduction

With the growth of cross-border trade, the number of insolvency cases where there are assets in more than one jurisdiction, or where there are cross-border groups, is continually increasing. This growth has implications for the demands placed on courts, not only with respect to numbers of cases, but also to their complexity and the need for understanding of cross-border issues.

This Colloquium is for judges, officials of justice ministries and regulators who hear insolvency or restructuring cases or who are involved in the development of insolvency laws and systems.

The Colloquium will assist participants to understand the developments in the handling of both domestic and cross-border proceedings. It will compare the judicial and juridical practices in dealing with practical and theoretical issues arising in insolvency cases in a number of jurisdictions representing all major legal systems. The colloquium is highly participative with all delegates having an opportunity to contribute.

Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd April 2019

Introduction and Welcome

Welcome by representatives of INSOL International, UNCITRAL and the World Bank Group. The aims and aspirations of the Colloquium and an introduction to the participants. The first two sessions are intended as foundation building for the rest of the programme.

Bases of cross-border co-operation

The objective of this session and the following session is to give participants who have not attended a previous JC or who feel that they would benefit, a primer

What are the issues and what resources are available to judges?

This session covers the characteristics and variety of cross-border cases that arise, the best practice approaches to dealing with them and the resources available to assist judges and practitioners, including the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency, which has now been enacted in over forty countries including the UK, the USA and Japan and its developments regarding economic interest groups and the UNCITRAL Practice Guide on Cross-border Insolvency Co-operation.

Introduction to judicial aspects of cross-border insolvency

This session offers a systematic review of the various stages that courts will experience in the recognition of foreign insolvency proceedings and the granting of relief. The session will discuss the roles of courts and judges in dealing with applications in cross-border insolvency cases, including applications from office-holders in other jurisdictions, applications in domestic insolvency proceedings and will consider practical solutions to the issues raised.

Plenary Sessions will include:

Reviews of recent major cross-border cases

The new UNCITRAL Model Law on recognition of insolvency related judgments – a description of the latest model law from UNCITRAL which extends the scope of cross-border recognition while maintaining extensive safeguards for affected parties.

Restructuring enterprise groups including the UNCITRAL Model Law on Enterprise groups

including synthetic proceedings – a consideration of the ways in which courts become involved with the restructuring of enterprise groups, a description of the model law which is expected to complete its process of recognition in 2019 together with the new concept of synthetic proceedings aimed at reducing the costs and delays involved in multi-court proceedings.

Reciprocity – guidance for judges faced with the challenge of interpreting this in new legislation.

Court to court communication - Review of JIN guidelines – as the experience of judges worldwide expands, workable guidelines are being developed which will assist courts manage complex cross-border cases.

Alternative Dispute Resolutions (ADR)

Breakout groups – The role of judges considering whether to grant applications for assistance

Delegates will work in discussion groups using hypothetical models to consider the role of judges in cross-border matters. The breakout groups will also consider matters arising from the plenary sessions. Where appropriate, there will be feedback and discussion of points arising from the breakout groups.

There will be a Judicial Dinner for participants and registered accompanying persons on Monday 1st April

Participants should note

- *The programme is subject to alteration depending on the ability of judges to attend.*
- *Chatham House Rule applies to all discussions at the Colloquium. No recording of the proceedings will be allowed*
- *Only registered delegates and translators are permitted in the meeting rooms.*
- *Only registered delegates and accompanying persons who are registered with the organisers will be catered for at the dinner. Lunches are for delegates only.*

The following evaluations are available on the INSOL website at www.insol.org:

First Judicial Colloquium - Toronto, March 1995
Second Judicial Colloquium - New Orleans, March 1997
Third Judicial Colloquium - Munich, October 1999
Fourth Judicial Colloquium - London, July 2001
Fifth Judicial Colloquium - Las Vegas, September 2003
Sixth Judicial Colloquium - Sydney, March 2005
Seventh Judicial Colloquium – Cape Town 2007
Eighth Judicial Colloquium – Vancouver 2009
Ninth Judicial Colloquium – Singapore 2011
Tenth Judicial Colloquium – The Hague 2013
Eleventh Judicial Colloquium – San Francisco 2015
Twelfth Judicial Colloquium – Sydney 2017

Regional Judicial Round Tables

INSOL/UNCITRAL/World Bank Group have started to hold smaller regional judicial round tables, in between colloquia, to enable more focused discussions on judicial co-operation within a region and giving the opportunity for more judges to attend. Reports on the following round tables are also available on the INSOL web site www.insol.org

Caribbean Region – Cayman Islands, November 2013
Asia Pacific Region – Hong Kong, March 2014
Americas Region – New York, April 2018

The following UNCITRAL documents are available on the UNCITRAL web site in the 6 official languages of the United Nations:

- a) UNCITRAL Model Law on Recognition and Enforcement of Insolvency-Related Judgements; UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency: the judicial perspective; UNCITRAL Practice Guide on Cross-Border Insolvency Cooperation; UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency with Guide to Enactment and Interpretation; UNCITRAL Legislative Guide on Insolvency Law, including parts three and four at <https://uncitral.un.org/en/texts/insolvency>
- b) Reports on previous Judicial Colloquia at <https://uncitral.un.org/en/texts/insolvency>

The following Reports of the World Bank Global Judges Forum are available on the World Bank Global Insolvency Law Database at www.worldbank.org/gild

Global Judges Forum 2003, Malibu, USA, May 2003
Global Judges Forum 2004, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 2004
Global Judges Forum 2005, Washington, USA, November 2004
Global Judges Forum 2006, Buenos Aires, Argentina, June 2006

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THIRTEENTH MULTINATIONAL JUDICIAL COLLOQUIUM

1st – 2nd April 2019

Please complete the form together with payment details in order to confirm your delegate place to the Colloquium. There is a nominal fee of £375 for registrations received prior to 14th January 2019 and £425 for those received after the early booking deadline to cover course fees, lunch on 1st and 2nd April 2019, dinner on Monday 1st April.

The accompanying person fee for dinner on Monday 1st April is £140.00.

Delegate's Name: Title:

Accompanying Person's Name.....

Affiliation/Court, etc:

Address:

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Before 14 January 2019

After 14 January 2019

Judicial Colloquium fee £375.00

Judicial Colloquium fee £425.00

I would like to attend the INSOL Asia Pacific Regional Conference 2nd – 4th April 2019

Accompanying Person Judicial Dinner Monday 1st April 2019 £140.00

Dietary requirements: _____

INSOL will try their best to accommodate any special dietary requests. Please identify yourself to the staff at each event.

Payment Summary

If you wish to pay by cheque we can accept payment in Pounds Sterling. If you wish to pay by credit card please make the calculations and payment in Pounds Sterling. Cardholders will be charged by their credit card companies in their local currency. INSOL International is not responsible for any losses or gains in the fee due to currency changes.

Delegates are responsible for their own hotel and travel costs.

Registration will not be confirmed until payment of the delegate fee has been received.

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To register your interest in attending this colloquium, please return this form as soon as possible to:

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