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- ◆ Corporate Rescues
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- ◆ Law on Discovery / e-Discovery
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- ◆ Litigation Funding
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- ◆ Cross-Border and Domestic Mediation
- ◆ Laws for an Ageing Nation
- ◆ Glass Ceiling for Women in Practice
- ◆ Anti-Money Laundering
- ◆ Legal Practice in Asia
- ◆ Multidisciplinary Law Practice
- ◆ Legal Education
- ◆ Children in Custody Disputes

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Online Passes for Breakout Sessions

There are a total of 30 breakout topics in three streams. The list of breakout sessions is provided together with this flyer.

The registration rates for the online passes are listed below:

No of Breakout Sessions Signed Up for	Member* (MYR)	Non-Member	
		(MYR)	(USD)
1	80	160	36
2-4	80 per session	160 per session	36 per session
5	300	600	133
10	500	1,000	220

*Members of the Malaysian Bar, Advocates Association of Sarawak and Sabah Law Society; pupils in chambers; and law students (registered with a Malaysian college / university)

Please note that you can only select a **maximum of 10 breakout sessions**, from any of the three streams available.



Virtual Delegates:

- ◆ Limited to 500 seats
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- ◆ Only paid registrations will be considered successful registrations

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Non-Member	3,100	713		
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Breakout Sessions (11 to 13 July 2023)

Day 2 | 11 July 2023 (Tuesday)

11:30 – 12:45 Breakout Session 1

Stream A | Sabah Room Upgrading Skills

Prospect and Viability of Small Firm Practice: Is Affiliation and Group Practice the Next Logical Step?

Speakers

1. **Lisa Sam Hui Min**, *Vice-President, The Law Society of Singapore*
2. **R Jayabalan**, *Chairperson, Bar Council Small Firms Practice Committee*
3. **Nahendran Navaratnam**, *Senior Partner, Navaratnam Chambers*
4. **Isaac Chan**, *Barrister, Rede Chambers, Hong Kong*

Moderator

Allen Miranda Emmanuel, *Co-Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Small Firms Practice Committee*

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms Equipping Lawyers

Legal Practice within the Asian Region: Tackling Disparity and Commonality of Legal Systems

Speakers

1. **Nixon Sipahutar**, *Bidang Kerjasama Internasional, Sekretaris, PERADI, Indonesia*
2. **Dato' Azmi Mohd Ali**, *Council Member, Bar Council*
3. **TBC**

Moderator

H R Dipendra, *Chairperson, Bar Council International Professional Services Committee*

Stream C | Melaka Room Exploring Opportunities

Waqf: The Legal and Regulatory Framework Needed for Implementation

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Dr Arik Sanusi bin Yeop Johari**, *Judge, High Court of Malaya, Kangar*
2. **Mohd Bahroddin Badri**, *Shariah Specialist cum Head, Shariah Advisory, ISRA Consulting*
3. **Umar Munshi**, *Founder, Ethis Global*

Moderator

Sharifah Shafika Alsagoff, *Co-Chairperson, Bar Council Islamic Finance Committee*

Session Sponsor
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13:45 – 15:00 Breakout Session 2

Stream A | Sabah Room Upgrading Skills

Cross-Border and Domestic Mediation: Opportunities and Challenges in the Future for Dispute Resolution and Transactional Lawyers

Speakers

1. **Datuk Vernon Ong Lam Kiat**, *Former Judge, Federal Court of Malaysia*
2. **Melissa K Pang**, *President, LAWASIA; Immediate Past President, The Law Society of Hong Kong*
3. **Shanti Abraham**, *Chair, Investor-State Mediation Task Force of the International Mediation Institute*
4. **Sujatha Sekhar Naik**, *Chairman, Malaysian Institute of Corporate Governance*
5. **Francis Goh**, *Chairman, Advocacy Committee, The Law Society of Singapore*

Moderator

Shanti Abraham

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms Equipping Lawyers

The Development of the Law on Discovery / e-Discovery Pre- and Post-Pandemic: A Comparative Analysis

Speakers

1. **R Rishi**, *Advocate and Solicitor, Rishi & Partners*
2. **Philip Richardson**, *Partner, Eversheds Sutherland, United Kingdom*
3. **Linda Misbah**, *Senior Project Manager, Alexander Holburn, Canada*

Moderator

TBC

Stream C | Melaka Room Exploring Opportunities

From Innovation to Access: Empowering Lawyers and Communities through Emerging Technologies

Speakers

1. **Adeline Chin**, *Co-Chairperson, Asia-Pacific Legal Innovation and Technology Association ("ALITA"); Chief Operating Officer, Chambers Lab*
2. **Michael Lees**, *Chief Operating Officer, Rajah & Tann Technologies, Singapore*
3. **Jennifer Lim Wei Zhen**, *Co-Founder, LawTech.Asia and eTPL.Asia, Singapore*

Moderator

Suaran Singh Sidhu, *Partner, LAW Partnership*

15:15 – 16:30 Breakout Session 3

Stream A | Sarawak Room
Upgrading Skills

Out of the Mouth of Babes: Interviewing Children in Custody Disputes

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Puan Evrol Mariette Peters**, Judge, High Court of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur (Family)
2. **Dr Diana Lea Baranovich**, Consultant Psychotherapist and Diagnostician
3. **TBC**

Moderator

Siew Choon Jern, Co-Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Family Law Committee

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Regulating the Online Marketplace and Intellectual Property Issues Concerning Counterfeit Goods Sold Online

Speakers

1. **Joshua Teoh Beni Chris**, Partner, Skrine
2. **Kostas Fintrilis**, Head of Assortment, Content, Ads, and IP Governance, Lazada Group (Singapore)
3. **TBC**

Moderator

Cindy Goh Joo Seong, Chairperson, Bar Council Intellectual Property Committee

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

Sports Policy, Governance, and Regulation

Speaker

YB Puan Hannah Yeoh, Minister of Youth and Sports, Malaysia

Moderator

Richard Wee Thiam Seng, Chairperson, Bar Council Professional Standards and Development Committee

Day 3 | 12 July 2023 (Wednesday)

09:00 – 10:15 Breakout Session 4

Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Digitalisation of Land Transactions in Malaysia – Are We Ready?

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Puan Adlin binti Abdul Majid**, Judge, High Court of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur (NCC 6)
2. **Sathish Ramachandran**, Partner, Deol & Gill
3. **Anesh Ganason**, Principal Assistant Director, Policies and Consultation Division, Department of Director General of Lands and Mines (Federal)
4. **Raja Azmi Adam**, Country Director, Google for Education – Malaysia, Singapore & Brunei

Moderator

Datuk Roger Tan, Former Chairperson, Bar Council Conveyancing Practice Committee; Co-Chairperson, Bar Council Committee on Reform to the Legal Sector / LPA Amendments

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Sustainable Futures: The Importance of Environmental, Social, and Governance Practices

Speakers

1. **Edmund Bon**, Partner, AmerBon
2. **Elias Moubarak**, Head, Banking and Finance (Partner), Trowers and Hamblins (Malaysia)
3. **TBC**

Moderator

The Honourable Tuan Kenneth St James, Judicial Commissioner, High Court of Malaya, Penang (OCVC 2)

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Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

The Continued Evolution of Fintech and Insurtech in Malaysia: The Need to Regulate, Govern, and Manage the Industry in Malaysia

Speakers

1. **Jonathan Lim Hon Kiat**, Partner, Zaid Ibrahim & Co.
2. **Ruslena Ramli**, Director, Digital Finance and Islamic Digital Economy, Malaysia Digital Economy Corporation (“MDEC”)
3. **Lau Chin Ching**, Director, Financial Development and Innovation Department, Bank Negara Malaysia
4. **Eddy Wong**, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, VSure Insurance

Moderator

Darren Lai, Partner, Richard Wee Chambers

12:00 – 13:15 Breakout Session 5

Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Shaping the Future of Syariah Legal Practice: Opportunities and Challenges under the Syarie Legal Profession (Federal Territories) Act 2019

Speakers

1. **Zainal Abidin b Shaik Zakaria**, Co-Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Syariah Law Committee
2. **TBC**
3. **TBC**

Moderator

Fahri Azzat, Co-Chairperson, Bar Council Syariah Law Committee

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Navigating Corporate Rescues

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Tuan Nadzar bin Wok Nordin**, Judge, High Court of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur
2. **Andrew Chiew Ean Vooi**, Partner, Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill
3. **Victor Saw Seng Kee**, Deals Leader, PwC Malaysia

Moderator

Ira Biswas, Partner, Chooi & Company

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

Blockchain / Cryptocurrency and Its Interrelationship with the Legal Systems

Speakers

1. **Dato' Seri Rajan Navaratnam**, Consultant, Shahrizat Rashid & Lee
2. **Dr Wong Wai Wai**, Legal Researcher, Foong & Co; Law Lecturer
3. **Jessica Chuah**, Country Manager (Malaysia), Chainalysis

Moderator

Deepak Pillai, Partner, Christopher & Lee Ong

14:15 – 15:30 Breakout Session 6

Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Effective Advocacy: Exploring the Future

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Dato' Mary Lim Thiam Suan**, Judge, Federal Court of Malaysia
2. **The Honourable Datuk Vazeer Alam bin Mydin Meera**, Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia
3. **Raja Eileen Soraya**, Chairperson, Bar Council Advocacy Training Committee
4. **Alan Wong Teck Wei**, Partner, Zain Megat & Murad
5. **Foo Joon Liang**, Partner, Gan Partnership

Moderator

Raja Eileen Soraya

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Laws for an Ageing Nation: Improved Laws and New Laws

Speakers

1. **Daniel Koh**, Former Judge, Family Justice Court, Singapore
2. **Dr Nurashikin Ibrahim**, Head, National Centre of Excellence for Mental Health; Public Health Physician, Disease Control Division, Ministry of Health Malaysia
3. **Assoc Prof Dr Prem Kumar Chandrasekaran**, Consultant Neuropsychiatrist; Head of Neuro-Behavioural Medicine Services, Penang Adventist Hospital

Moderator

Carolyn Oh Li Lin, Council Member, Bar Council

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

The Rise of Artificial Intelligence: Implications and Opportunities for Courts

Speakers

1. **Roger Chin Ken Fong**, President, Sabah Law Society
2. **Janet Toh Yoong San**, Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Technology, Cyber and Privacy Law Committee
3. **Dato' A J Surin**, Partner, Adnan, Sundra & Low

Moderator

Tan Sri Datuk Seri Panglima David Wong Dak Wah, Former Chief Judge of Sabah and Sarawak

Day 4 | 13 July 2023 (Thursday)

09:00 – 10:15 Breakout Session 7

Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Trending Issues in International Arbitration and Alternate Dispute Resolution

Speakers

1. **Ooi Huey Miin**, President, Malaysia Institute of Arbitrators ("MIArb")
2. **K Shanti Mogan**, Head, Arbitration & Mediation, Shearn Delamore & Co.
3. **Ng Jern-Fei KC**, King's Counsel (England & Wales); Advocate, Duxton Hill Chambers (Singapore); Arbitrator, Temple Chambers (Hong Kong SAR)

Moderator

Dato' Varghese George, Former Judge, Court of Appeal, Malaysia

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Empowering Malaysia's Migrant and Refugee Policies: A Call for Reset

Speakers

1. **Dato' Sri M Ramachelvam**, Co-Chairperson, Bar Council Migrants, Refugees and Immigration Affairs Committee
2. **Kendra Rinas**, Chief of Mission, International Organization for Migration
3. **TBC**

Moderator

Sumitha Shaanthinni Kishna, Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Migrants, Refugees and Immigration Affairs Committee

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

Navigating Legal Currents: Understanding Recent Developments in Shipping and Admiralty Law and Their Relevance to General Commercial Practice

Speakers

1. **Professor Jason Chuah**, Dean, Faculty of Law, Universiti Malaya
2. **Jeremy M Joseph**, Former Co-Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Shipping and Admiralty Law Committee

Moderator

Trishelea Ann Sandosam, Partner, Wong & Partners

10:45 – 12:00 Breakout Session 8

Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Exploring Contemporary Issues in Criminal Law: Perspectives and Insights

Speakers

1. **Latheefa Koya**, Former Chief Commissioner, Malaysia Anti-Corruption Commission ("MACC")
2. **Dato' Dr P Sundramoorthy**, Associate Professor (Honorary) / Criminologist, Centre for Policy Research and International Studies ("CenPRIS"), Universiti Sains Malaysia
3. **TBC**

Moderator

Dato' Rajpal Singh Mukhtiar Singh, Former Co-Chairperson, Bar Council Criminal Law Committee

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Contemporary Working Norms: Is Malaysia Ready?

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Tuan Anand Ponnudurai**, Judge, High Court of Malaya, Penang (Civil)
2. **Selvamalar Alagaratnam**, Partner, Skrine
3. **Mayank Francis Dias**, Advocate, Michael Dias & Associates, India

Moderator

Janice Anne Leo, Partner, Steven Thiru & Sudhar Partnership

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

NFTs in e-Commerce and the Metaverse / Digital Assets

Speakers

1. **Tracy Wong**, Partner, Christopher & Lee Ong
2. **Rajesh Sreenivasan**, Head, Technology, Media & Telecommunications, Rajah & Tann LLP, Singapore
3. **Nick De Marco KC**, Barrister, Blackstone Chambers, UK

Moderator

Natalie Lim Yen Kuan, Partner, Skrine

Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Publicity vs Advertisement: Challenges and Opportunities

Speakers

1. **Sarah Yong Li Hsien**, Council Member, Bar Council
2. **Benjamin Foo Guo Zheng**, Council Member, The Law Society of Singapore
3. **Chen Kah Leng**, Consultant, Skrine

Moderator

Yusfarizal Yussoff, Co-Chairperson, IMLC 2023 Organising Committee

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Litigation Funding

Speakers

1. **The Honourable Tuan Su Tiang Joo**, Judicial Commissioner, High Court of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur (NCVC 3)
2. **Victor Dawes SC**, Chairman, Hong Kong Bar Association
3. **Rosli Dahlan**, Partner, Rosli Dahlan Saravana Partnership
4. **Tom Glasgow**, Managing Director / Chief Investment Officer (APAC); Portfolio Manager - Global International Arbitration, OMNI Bridgeway, Singapore

Moderator

Shamala Devi Balasundaram, Partner, Chooi & Company

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

Cybersecurity Today: Where We Stand and What Lies Ahead

Speakers

1. **Danny Wong**, Vice-President, Marsh Specialty & FINPRO, Marsh Insurance Brokers (Malaysia)
2. **Foong Cheng Leong**, Advocate and Solicitor, Foong Cheng Leong & Co
3. **Arati Varma**, Head of Financial, Professional & Casualty, QBE Insurance Group, Singapore
4. **Joanie Ko**, Partner, APAC Head of Cyber & Data Privacy, Kennedys, Hong Kong

Moderator

Kenny Lai Choe Ken, Partner, Choong Meng Sze & Lai

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Stream A | Sabah Room
Upgrading Skills

Is There a Glass Ceiling for Women in Practice?

Speakers

1. **Lubna Shuja**, President, Law Society of England and Wales
2. **Foo Yet Ngo**, Past President, Association of Women Lawyers (2009–2011)
3. **S Saravana Kumar**, Partner, Rosli Dahlan Saravana Partnership

Moderator

Sheena Gurbakhash, Past President, Association of Women Lawyers (2019–2021)

Stream B | Selangor 1 & Perak Rooms
Equipping Lawyers

Liability of a Law Practitioner: An Attempt to Identify and Balance Between Privilege, Secrecy, and Compliance Under the AMLA Regime

Speakers

1. **Kamal Baharin b Omar**, Deputy Director-General, National Anti-Financial Crime Centre
2. **Dr Aspalella A Rahman**, Associate Professor, School of Law, Universiti Utara Malaysia
3. **S Suresh**, Chairperson, Anti-Money Laundering Committee, The Law Society of Singapore

Moderator

Babu Raj Raja Gopal, Deputy Chairperson, Bar Council Committee on AMLA

Stream C | Melaka Room
Exploring Opportunities

Alternative Modes of Practice: Locum / Multidisciplinary

Speakers

1. **Jason Chan SC**, Vice-President, The Law Society of Singapore
2. **Philip Koh Tong Ngee**, Adjunct Professor, Universiti Malaya and Monash Malaysia; Senior Partner, Mah-Kamariyah & Philip Koh
3. **Peter Godwin**, Managing Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills

Moderator

Ravinder Singh Dhaliwal, Chairperson, Bar Council Personal Injury Claims and Awards Committee