

# ANNUAL REPORT 2022



#### **CEO'S MESSAGE**

2022 has been another good year of growth at the MCIA. Our caseload has increased by 20% over the previous year, and the total value of disputes under administration has crossed a billion USD.

What has been extremely encouraging has been the continued reposition of faith in the MCIA by the courts, with the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India referring 5 matters to be administered under the MCIA Rules this year, and one from the Hon'ble Bombay High Court.

I am happy to report that we have received applications for 2 emergency arbitrations under the MCIA Rules so far. Under both these applications, the MCIA appointed an arbitrator within 24 hours, and both awards were delivered within the 14-day timeline as mandated under the MCIA Rules.

We are not just seeing greater adoption of MCIA clauses as a standard, but, we also see that parties are comfortable in adopting the latest innovations in arbitration incorporated in the MCIA Rules.

Prior to establishing in 2016, I went about asking a simple question, 'why can't high-value, complex disputes between two Indian parties be arbitrated in India?' While there were a whole host of reasons, one reason that came up was the lack of an independent and professionally run institution that private parties would repose faith in.

In 2022, as reported by Global Arbitration Review, one of India's largest disputes between Adani Transmissions Ltd. and Reliance Infra Ltd. for over one Billion USD has been referred to arbitration under the MCIA Rules and is being administered by the MCIA.

An overall trend that we have seen this year is a growing number of Indian parties electing to incorporate MCIA clauses with India as a seat. Credit must be given to the courts and the Indian government in implementing various reforms that have improved efficiency.

This marks a full circle of sorts – from what seemed almost impossible in 2016 to becoming a reality in 2022.

2022 has been rewarding for everyone at the MCIA, and all those that have reposed faith in the idea that India can build and run a world class arbitral institution.

Founder & CEO Madhukeshwar Desai

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The MCIA has seen a 20% growth in the total number of cases administered under the MCIA Rules.
- The MCIA received an average of 2 new case filings every month in 2022.
- 75% of the MCIA administered matters arose from contracts containing an 'organic' MCIA Arbitration clause.
- The MCIA is currently administering one of India's largest commercial disputes at over USD 1 billion.
- Keeping with our commitment to diversity, 1 in every 3 arbitrators appointed by the MCIA is a woman.
- The MCIA received its 2nd Emergency Arbitration in 2022. As stipulated under the MCIA Rules, an order was passed in less than 14 days from the date of application.
- The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India referred 5 ad hoc arbitrations to be administered by the MCIA under the MCIA Rules.
- The second annual India ADR Week 2022 was held between the 10th to 14th October 2022. India ADR week saw the confluence of leaders from across the world in arbitration, mediation and ODR.
- To further strengthen our base and reach, the MCIA has launched the MCIA Users Council with the appointment of 31 members across 8 sectors.



### MCIA COUNCIL MEMBERS



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VIKRAM Nankani



VYAPAK Desai



YOSHIMI OHARA

#### MCIA CASE MANAGEMENT: 2022 AT A GLANCE

20 NEW MATTERS FILED IN 2021 24

NEW MATTERS
FILED IN 2022

38%

Women Arbitrators
Appointed

60 CASES ADMINISTERED SINCE INCEPTION

# MCIA MATTERS RECEIVED FROM A WIDE RANGE OF JURISDICTIONS



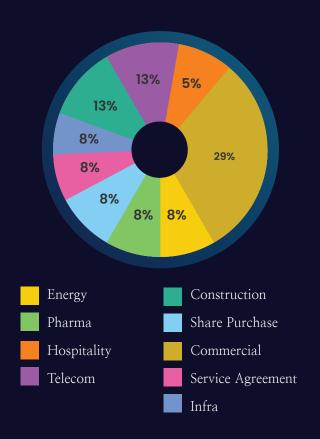
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- Andhra Pradesh
- Bengaluru
- Cyprus

- Germany
- Gujarat
- Kerala
- Lucknow

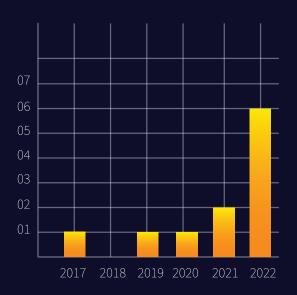
- Madhya Pradesh
- New Delhi
- Orissa
- Pune

- Singapore
- Tamil Nadu
- Telangana
- United Kingdom
- United State of America

#### CATEGORY OF DISPUTES



### CASES REFERRED FROM THE INDIAN COURTS



WITHIN 7 DAYS

Average time taken to appoint an arbitrator as stipulated under the MCIA rules

(after the expiry of 21 days)

Awards challenged in court\*

of matters completed within the 18 month time period (After Administered)

Number of MCIA administered awards set side in 2022

Arbitrators appointed by the MCIA from the following jurisdictions:

7 Mumbai

4 Delhi
1 Bengaluru
1 London
2 Geneva
1 Kerala

#### **EVENTS**

# INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION: THE WAY FORWARD

#### Ahmedabad 23 April 2022

MCIA in collaboration with Gujarat High Court Arbitration Centre and Gujarat High Court Advocates' Association organised a full day conference on International Commercial Arbitration in Ahmedabad on 23 April 2022 at Taj Skyline, Ahmedabad.

The event comprised of a plenary session, followed by two sessions and a fireside chat revolving around Arbitration.

Hon'ble Justice Shah, Hon'ble Justice Bela Trivedi, Judges Supreme Court of India, Hon'ble Justice Aravind Kumar, Chief Justice Gujarat High Court, Mr Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General of India, Kamal Trivedi, Advocate General of Gujarat and Devang Vyas, ASG Gujarat High Court graced the occasion with their presence.

The event witnessed an overwhelming response of more than 200 participants including former Judges of the Supreme Court, sitting and former Judges of the Gujarat High Court, Senior Advocates, international counsels and arbitrators, advocates from Gujarat, quantum valuation and technical experts, engineers and surveyors, chartered accountants, technology service providers in arbitral proceedings, and enthusiastic young practitioners and students.











#### **INDIA ADR WEEK 2022**

# 10-14 October 2022

The MCIA organized the second India ADR Week in 2022, an event spread over 5 days (October 10-14, 2022), and across 20 virtual sessions. At the end of each day speakers, participants, and senior practitioners gathered at an in-person drinks and dinner event, held across three Indian cities, in Bengaluru, Mumbai and New Delhi.

The event saw a participation from over 3000 participants and 25 Indian and International law firms. The week was supported by over 50 organisations. The inaugural message was delivered by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice U. U. Lalit. Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar delivered the Keynote address in Bengaluru. In Mumbai, the Keynote address was delivered by Hon'ble Mr. Justice Gautam Shirish Patel and in Delhi, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Manmohan delivered the Keynote address.

The discussions during the sessions revolved around arbitration, mediation, ODR, Med-Arb, use of technology, besides others. An exhaustive list of the panels and speakers for the ADR week can be found in the annexure below.

For more details please visit www.adrweek.in















# INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

#### Bengaluru 17 December 2022

MCIA's conference on International Commercial Arbitration: Challenges and Opportunities was held in Bengaluru on 17 December 2022 at ITC Gardenia. Hon'ble Justice BV Nagarathna, Judge, Supreme Court of India was the Chief Guest for the event and Hon'ble Justice G Narendar, Judge Karnataka High Court, was present as the Guest of Honour. Dr Krishna Reddy, Secretary to the Govt of Karnataka, PwD and Mr Udaya Holla also addressed the audience at the inaugural session.

The plenary session was followed by two sessions discussing the trends and opportunities in International Arbitration and the way forward to dealing with challenges being faced in the field. The first session was on "Institutional arbitration: Works globally not locally?", while the second session was on the topic "Roundup of the Developments in Arbitration Law in 2022: Lessons to Learn and Reasons to Applaud."

This in-person event saw a participation by over 75 participants and from various local and international law firms.









#### YOUNG MCIA ACTIVITIES

The Young MCIA Steering Committee has organized events and webinars to promote discussion and debate among its members and those interested in arbitration.

The Young MCIA continues to gain traction from young professionals and law students. The following events were organized by the Young MCIA through 2022:

# YMCIA Essay Competition:

The YMCIA is conducting its second Essay Competition for students and practitioners with upto 2 years PQE. The jury consists of Sherina Petit, Chiann Bao, Gautam Bhattacharyya, Simon Rainey QC and Vidyut Malhotra Gulati.

The topics are:

ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) issues in arbitration. International arbitration and sanctions.

The top three essays will win a cash prize as well as an internship at a tier 1 Law Firm.

### Supported IBA ARB 40 Competition 2022:

MCIA through Young MCIA supported IBA Arb 40 in their competition "The Common Heritage of International Arbitration Community: An Arb 40 Competition for the Most Meaningful Personal Stories."

#### Young MCIA Diversity Initiative:

The Young MCIA has tied up with the IDIA with a view to introduce the selected IDIA scholars to the world of international arbitration. As part of this program, the Young MCIA has kicked off a mentorship program for the IDIA scholars. For this program, five mentees have been selected and split across two groups with one mentor and one buddy.

# Young MCIA Mentorship Program, 2021-22 Cycle:

The Young MCIA launched its first mentorship program for the cycle 2021–2022. This program pairs select students who are in the final year of their LL.B. course and students enrolled in LL.M. program, as well as young professionals below the age of 32 years, with experienced practitioners. As part of the mentorship program the mentees have been divided into nine groups comprising of two mentees, one mentor and one buddy (who is a steering committee member to help with coordination). The mentors are:

Vyapak Desai, Shreyas Jayasimha, Pramod Nair, Nicholas Peacock, David Brynmor Thomas, Rishab Gupta, Sheila Ahuja, Alipak Banerjee, Gautam Bhattacharyya, Chiann Bao and Sherina Petit.

#### India ADR Week 2022:

As part of the India ADR Week 2022, Young MCIA in collaboration with Khaitan & Co. and supported by India Arbitration Forum hosted a panel discussion on the topic 'Gender Diversity in Arbitration: Have we really made any progress' in Mumbai on 11 October 2022. The panel was followed by a cocktail reception.

As part of the India ADR Week 2022, Young MCIA in collaboration with Accuracy and Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co. co-hosted a panel discussion and a debate followed by a cocktail reception in Delhi on 13 October 2022. The panel discussion was on the topic 'Rising Costs in International Arbitration – Recent rulings, practitioner's perspective, and possible solutions'. The proposition for the debate was 'Arbitration has become too lengthy and expensive'.

Young MCIA panel discussion on the topic 'The Arbitration Silk Route – London – India – Singapore', 2022:

The Young MCIA collaborated with FTI Consulting and conducted a panel discussion on this topic at FTI's London office. The event was also supported by International Arbitration Juniors.

#### **CAPACITY BUILDING**

# MCIA with FTI, King & Spalding and Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP

Mumbai 26-27 August 2022

MCIA in association with FTI, King & Spalding and Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP organized a Joint Workshop on Trial Advocacy and Damage Assessment. The workshop was conducted by Kenneth Fleming, King & Spalding; Karthik Balisagar, Senior Managing Director FTI Consulting; Duncan Speller Partner from Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP; Aditya Jalan, Partner AZB & Partners; Abhijnan Jha, Partner AZB & Partners

The workshop saw participation from practitioners at the level of Senior Associates from law firms in Mumbai.







#### MCIA ROADSHOWS

#### London

9-12 May 2022

The MCIA's first session at the London Roadshow in the London International Disputes Week (LIDW) 2022 was on 'India – arbitration: the past, the present, the future', and was hosted by Fox Williams, Keidan Harrison, Link Legal, Norton Rose Fulbright, and One Essex Court at the Norton Rose Fulbright's London office.

Neeti Sachdeva spoke on the institutional perspective on this panel moderated by Sherina Petit along with fellow speakers – Atul Sharma, Ben Giaretta C.Arb, Niranjan V, Rohit Singhal, and Srishti Jain.

Fireside chat with The Rt. Hon. Dame Elizabeth Gloster DBE PC (One Essex Court) at Bird & Bird's London office along with a networking reception during the London International Disputes Week (LIDW) 2022.

Panel discussion on 'The Arbitration Silk Route: London – India – Singapore' and a networking evening in partnership with FTI Consulting at their London office and supported by International Arbitration Juniors.

The panel discussion was moderated by Karthik Balisagar (FTI Consulting) featured multi-qualified practitioners: Sheila Ahuja (Allen & Overy); Dharshini Prasad (Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP); and Tine Abraham (Trilegal).

The London Roadshow concluded with a thought-provoking address and discussion on making India – a hub for international arbitration, by Justice Gautam Patel (Judge, Bombay High Court).

#### Singapore

29 August - 2 September 2022

During the Singapore Convention Week, on August 29 2022, MCIA in collaboration with Drew & Napier LLC, AZB & Partners, and FTI Consulting hosted a fireside chat on Guerilla Tactics in Arbitration in Asia & the event included networking drinks.



#### MCIA USERS COUNCIL

As the MCIA grows, users, well-wishers and supporters have made multiple requests and suggestions, for us to expand our scope of engagement. Catering to the distinct demands, needs and issues of each sector, and united by the need to ensure an efficient process for dispute resolution, the MCIA has launched the MCIA User Council. The function of the MCIA User Council is to provide feedback on the MCIA Rules and international arbitration process from users of arbitration across sectors. The MCIA User Council will also engage with and bring to light ADR related learnings and challenges faced in their sectors to a broader audience.

The Executive Committee of MCIA User Council belong to the following sectors:

#### Automotive

- Dipti Gandhi, Senior General Manager, Mahindra & Mahindra
- Kevin Kim, Partner, Peter & Kim
- Manjaree Chowdhary, Executive Director & General Counsel, Maruti Suzuki India
- Manjula Chawla, Founder & Partner, Phoenix Legal

#### Energy & Power

- Bhagwanchand Rajput, Head Legal, Total Oil India Pvt Ltd
- Gaetan Verhoosel, Partner, Three Crowns LLP
- Naresh Thacker, Partner, ELP
- Vinay Paranjape, Vice President Legal, Petronet LNG

#### Financial Institutions

- Carsten van den Sande, Partner, Hengeler Mueller
- Pramod Rao, Group General Counsel, ICICI Bank
- Shuva Mandal, Partner, Anagram Partners

#### **FMCG**

- Amit Bhasin, Ex. VP & Head legal, Marico Limited
- Daniel Allan, Partner, Mori Hamada & Matsumoto
- Gauri Rao, Global General Counsel, Tata Consumer Products
- Nusrat Hasan, Co-Managing Partner, Link Legal

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE**

- Amba Prasad, VP & Head Legal, Larsen & Tubro
- Yogesh Singh, Partner and National Co-Head of the Corporate Practice Group, Trilegal
- Zarina Pundole, General Counsel, Shapoorji Pallonji

#### **MARITIME**

- Catherine Smith, General Counsel, Wah Kwong Maritime Transport Holdings
- Madhvendra Singh, Arbitrator
- Paul Aston, Partner, HFW
- Raj Prakash Negi, Addl. General Manager, Legal Advisor, Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd
- Shardul Thacker, Partner, Mulla & Mulla & Craigie Blunt & Coroe
- Vasanti Selvaratnam, QC, 36 Stone Chambers

#### **REALTY**

- Hardeep Sachdeva, Senior Partner, AZB
- Manish Lamba, General Counsel, DLF Cyber City Ltd
- Thomas Snider, Partner, Al Tamimi & Company

#### **TMT**

- Anand Desai, Managing Partner, DSK Legal
- Navneet Hrishikesan, Executive Director, Corporate Counsel, Cisco
- Robert Hunter, Partner, Osborne Clarke
- Zameer Nathani, Senior VP, General Counsel, UFO Moviez

### **ANNEXURE**

### List of Events Hosted by the MCIA

S No.	Webinar/ Event	Date
1.	International Commercial Arbitration: The Way Forward  Chief Guests – Justice Mukesh R. Shah, Judge Supreme Court of India; Justice Bela M. Trivedi, Judge Supreme Court of India.  Guest of Honour – Justice Aravind Kumar, Chief Justice of Gujarat High Court	23 April 2022
	Special Invitees – Tushar Mehta, Solicitor General, Supreme Court of India; Kamal Trivedi, Advocate General, Gujarat High Court; Devang Vyas, Additional Solicitor General, Gujarat High Court  First session – "Institutional Arbitration: The way the world Arbitrates" was moderated by Tejas Karia, FCIArb, Partner, Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co.	
	The panelists – Abhishek Sharma, Partner, Link Legal; Dipti Gandhi-Soneji, Senior General Manager – Group Legal, Mahindra Group; Karishma Vora, Barrister, 39 Essex Chambers; Vineet Bose, Group General Counsel, Nuvoco Vistas Corp. Ltd.	
	The second session – "Recent Developments in Arbitration Law" was moderated by Gauri Rasgotra, Partner, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas	
	The panelists – Juhi Chaudhary, Head – Legal, Tata Rallis; Mayuri Tiwari Agarwala, Partner, Khaitan & Co; Mukund Thakkar, Senior Vice President – Legal, Zydus Group; Unmesh Shukla, Senior Advocate, Gujarat High Court	

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	The third session – "Hot Topics in Arbitration" was moderated by Vyapak Desai, FCIArb, Head, International Dispute Resolution and Investigation Practice, Nishith Desai Associates	
	The panelists – Chaitanya Arora, Managing Director, Secretariat; Devang Vyas, Additional Solicitor General, Gujarat High Court; Devang Nanavati, Senior Advocate, Gujarat High Court; Karthik Balisagar, Senior Managing Director, FTI Consulting; Nitin Mehta, Advocate, Gujarat High Court; Sanjay Tiwari, Vice President – Legal, Go Airlines (India) Private Limited., Mumbai	
	The fireside chat hosted by the MCIA Maritime User Council - Moderated by Madhvendra Singh FCIArb, Independent Arbitrator	
	Speakers – Professor (Dr.) Bimal Patel, Vice-Chancellor, Rashtriya Raksha University, India, and Rahul Narichania, Senior Advocate, Bombay High Court	
2.	MCIA Event with Bird & Bird, Trilegal and FTI – Guest Speaker: The Rt. Hon. Dame Elizabeth Gloster DBE, PC, One Essex Court	9 May 2022
	Speakers - Nicholas Peacock, Partner, Bird & Bird; Karthik Balisagar, Senior Managing Director, FTI Consulting; Shankh Sengupta, Partner, Trilegal	
	Participants - Members of the UK Bar.	
3.	MCIA in association with FTI, King & Spalding and Willkie Farr & Gallagher – Joint Workshop on Trial Advocacy and Damage Assessment	26–27 August 2022
	Speakers – Kenneth Fleming, King & Spalding; Karthik Balisagar, Senior Managing Director, FTI Consulting; Duncan Speller, Partner, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP; Aditya Jalan, Partner, AZB & Partners; Abhijnan Jha, Partner, AZB & Partners	
	Participants – Practitioners at the level of Senior Associates from law firms in Mumbai.	

4. Second India ADR Week, 2022

10–14 October 2022

20 virtual sessions, followed by a gathering of speakers, participants, and senior practitioners at an in-person drinks and dinner event, held across three Indian cities, in Bangalore, Mumbai and New Delhi, every day.

Inaugural message – Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Hon'ble Mr. Justice U. U. Lalit.

Keynote Address – Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar, in Bengaluru; Hon'ble Mr. Justice Gautam Shirish Patel, in Mumbai; Hon'ble Mr. Justice Manmohan, in Delhi.

Session 1 – Arbitration in the era of Web 3.0 and Tokenomics

Speaker – Alipak Banerjee, Leader, International Dispute Resolution and Investigations Practice; Ashish Kabra, Head Singapore Office, NDA; Baiju Vasani, Twenty Essex Chambers, London; Belinda Lim, Co–Founder Me3 and Singapore Representative of Women in Blockchain Asia; Shobana Iyer, Swan Chambers, London; Vyapak Desai, International Dispute Resolution and Investigations Practice.

Session 2 – How Business Financial and Technical Experts add value in commercial disputes and Arbitration

Opening Remarks - Nick Peacock, Partner, Bird & Bird

Speakers – Aditya Singh, Partner, White & Case; Amanda Lees, Partner, King & Wood Mallesons; Darshan Patel, Partner, PwC; Geetu Singh, Partner, PwC; Sumit Makhija, Partner, PwC; Tomas Furlong, Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills.

Session 3 – India poised to become 3rd largest construction dispute market. IS INDIA READY?

Speakers – Anirudh Krishnan, Managing Partner, AK Law Chambers; Atul Sharma, Partner, Link Legal; Kirindeep Singh, Partner, Dentons; Prateek Jain, Partner, Masin; Shourav Lahiri, Atkin Chambers, Shruti Khanijow, Partner, MRP Advisory; Vikas Sinha, Head Legal, DFCC.

Session 4 – Future of Arbitration: new and emerging norms

Speakers – Andrew Pullen, Fountain Court Chambers; Kartikey Mahajan, Partner, Khaitan & Co.; Louis Flannery KC, Partner, Mishcon; Nish Shetty, Partner, Head, Litigation and Dispute Resolution (Asia Pacific) Clifford Chance; Piyush Prasad, Counsel (Foreign law) Wong Partnership LLP; Sharon Chong, Partner, Skrine

Day 2

Session 5 - Emergency Arbitration - a brief history, a comparative look and how it works in India

Speakers – Akhil Shah KC; Matthew Gearing KC as Chair; Sapna Jhangiani KC; Zal Andhyarujina SA

Session 6 – Investment Arbitration: Boon or bane for developing countries?

Speakers – Amit Misra, Partner, P&A; Madhvendra Singh, Ministry of External Affairs, GOI; Pinky Anand, Senior Advocate; Sudhanshu Roy, Partner, Foley Hoag.

Session 7 – International Arbitration and Mediation: Complementary Systems to Preserve Business Relationships and Effectively Resolve Disputes

Speakers – Gregory Vijayendran, SC, Partner, Rajah & Tann; lla Kapoor, Partner, Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas; Vivekananda Neelakantan, Partner, Allen & Gledhill, (Moderator); Rashi Dhir, Senior Partner, DMD Advocates; Sapna Jhangiani KC, Advocate, Arbitrator & Mediator.

Session 8 – Disputes involving long-term agreements and investments: key considerations and quantum issues

Speakers – Dinesh Pardasani, Partner, DSK Legal; Dharshini Prasad, Counsel, Willkie Farr & Gallagher; Kate Apostolova, Counsel, Mayor Brown; Manish Aggarwal, Partner, Three Crowns; Montek Mayal, Partner and Practice Head – Asia & the Middle East.

Day 3

Session 9 – Managing disputes with States and State parties common challenges, lessons learnt and practical solutions

Speakers – Harish Salve KC, Blackstone Chambers; Matthew Hodgson, Partner, Allen & Overy; Sheila Ahuja, Partner, Allen & Overy; Vinod Kumar, Partner JSA

Session 10 – ODR and Mediation: a more sustainable form of dispute resolution?

Speakers – Pramod Rao, Executive Director, SEBI; Kanchan Gupta, Co-Founder, CADRE; Sukhsimranjit Singh, Managing Director, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, Law Professor, Pepperdine University; Vikas Mahendra, Partner, Keystone Partners, Co-Founder, CORD; Gayathri Kalia, Executive Director & CEO, CAMP; Pranjal Sinha, Co-Founder & CEO, Sama

Session 11 - Confronting the expected, embracing the unexpected resolving disputes with PSUs

Speakers – Ajay Kumar Mishra, Contract and claims management Dilip Buildcon Ltd; Kunal Mehta, Head Legal, JSW Energy; Tine Abraham, Partner, Trilegal; Venkata Ramana Korrapati, Vice president, Contract & legal, Tata Projects; Vishrov Mukerjee, Partner, Trilegal.

Session 12 - Investment Treaty Arbitrations - Massive Claims

Speakers – Baiju Vasani, Twenty Essex Chambers, London; Carolyn Lamm, Partner, White & Case; Keval Sheth, Founder, Konverz Zeus; Nudrat Piracha, Senior Partner, Samdani & Qureshi; Tejas Karia, Partner, Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas

Day 4

Session 13 – The What, Why, How & When of maintaining records for an arbitration – the whole nine yards

Speakers – Chakrapani Misra, Partner, Khaitan & Co; Raj Panchmatia, Partner, Khaitan & Co (Moderator); Rajendra Mishra, GC Indian Hotels Company Limited; Smitha Menon, Partner, Wong Partnership; Vineet Vij, GC Tech Mahindra.

Session 14 – International Arbitration for young practitioners – experiences from across Civil and Common Law

Speakers – Akhil Unnam, Deputy Counsel, ICC; Mayuri Tiwari, Partner, Khaitan & Co; Rishabh Jogani, Partner, MRP Advisory, UAE; Savani Gupte, Partner, Samvad Partners; Tejus Chauhan, Director, South Asia, ICC Arbitration & ADR.

Session 15 – Perception of an expert's role in India and the UK

Speakers – David Goodman, Managing Director, Kroll; Dinesh Pardasani, Partner, DSK Legal; Dhirendra Negi, Partner, J Sagar Associates; Mark Gordon, Managing Director, Kroll; Lomesh Nidumuri, Partner, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas.

Session 16 - ESG and Arbitration - Implication of the upcoming EU ESG reporting and supply chain requirements

Speakers – Dheeraj Nair, Partner, J Sagar Associates; Kanwar Vivswan, Associate, Osborne Clarke; Lars Kutzner, Partner, Osborne Clarke; Robert Hunter, Partner, Osborne Clarke

Day 5

Session 17 – Abuse of Process in International Investment Arbitration

Speakers – Abhileen Chaturvedi, Partner ELP; Aseem Chaturvedi, Partner, Khaitan & Co; Kenneth Beale, Partner, King and Spalding; Luan Tran, Partner, King and Spalding

Session 18 – Show me the Money: Navigating Investors through uncertainty and disputes

Speakers - Abhijnan Jha, Partner, AZB (Moderator);

Ankur Sharma, Associate General Counsel, Amazon Sellers Service Pvt Ltd; Dipen Sabharwal KC, Partner, White & Case; Karthik Balisagar, Senior Managing Director, FTI Consulting; VP Singh, Partner, AZB

Session 19 – Where could Indian parties choose to arbitrate – a comparison between Switzerland, India, Dubai and Singapore

Speakers – Felix Dasser, Partner, Homburger; Thomas Snider, Partner, Head of Arbitration, Al Tamimi & Co; Sanskriti Sidana, Senior Associate, Cyril Amarchand Mangaldas; Swee Yen Koh, Senior Counsel & Partner, Wong Partnership General; Zarina Pundole, General Counsel, Shapoorji Pallonji Group

Session 20 – Arbitration is as good as the Arbitral Tribunal Myth or Reality?

Speakers – Francis Xavier, Regional Head, Dispute Resolution, Rajah & Tann Asia; Mark Mangan, Partner, Dechert; Nusrat Hassan, Co-Managing Partner, Link Legal; Prof. Nasiruddeen Muhammed, Editor, TIAC Journal of International Dispute Settlement; Rajiv Choubey, Group GC, Dalmia Bharat Group; Shilpa Sharma, Vice President Legal, Inox Leisure.

5. International Commercial Arbitration: Challenges and Opportunities

Plenary Session – Hon'ble Justice BV Nagarathna, Judge, Supreme Court of India (Chief Guest); Hon'ble Justice G Narendar, Judge, Karnataka High Court (Guest of Honour); Dr. Krishna Reddy, Secretary to the Govt. PWD, Govt. of Karnataka; Mr Udaya Holla, Senior Advocate.

Session 1 – Institutional Arbitration: Works globally not locally?

Opening Remarks - SS Naganand, Senior Advocate

Moderator – Poornima Hatti, Partner, Samvad Partners

Speakers - Karan Joseph, Partner, Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas; Karthik Balisagar, Senior Managing Director, 17 December 2022

FTI Consulting; Mysore Prasanna, Arbitrator; Sanjay Nambiar, Senior Group President and General Counsel, Yes Bank Ltd.

Session 2 – Roundup of the Developments in Arbitration Law in 2022: Lessons to Learn and Reasons to Applaud

Moderator - Dhyan Chinnappa, Senior Advocate

Speakers – Apoorva Guruprasad, Practice Lead, Aarna Law; Arjun Perikal, Partner, Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas; Arun Mal, Senior Associate, Allen & Overy; Anand Abhishek, Senior Legal Counsel and Company Secretary, HPE.

## List of Events Supported by the MCIA

S No.	Webinar/ Event	Date
1.	1 <sup>st</sup> FICL Corporate Lawyers Summit 2022:  Focused on how general counsel can improve business value beyond just managing risk, how they can lead with impact and what should be on their agendas going forward.	27 May 2022
2.	Secretariat's 'Australia Arbitration Virtual Conference' — Part 1 — Inauguration Session — "Dispute Resolution— Key Trends and the Way Forward"  Speakers — Douglas Jones AO, Singapore International Commercial Court; Georgia Quick, Ashurst; Amit Garg, Mrinal Jain, and Les Ross Secretariat.  Second Session — "Mining & Minerals"  Speakers — Sam Luttrell, Clifford Chance; Kartikey Mahajan, Khaitan & Co; Pranav Mago, ELF Partners; Dharshini Prasad, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP; and Mrinal Jain, Secretariat.  Third Session — "Infrastructure, Construction, & Transport"  Speakers — Kabir Barat, Richard Edwards, DLA Piper; Vyapak Desai, FCIArb, Nishith Desai Associates; Neeti Sachdeva, Mumbai Centre For International Arbitration; and Jonathan Brown, Secretariat.  Fourth Session — "Energy & Resources (Oil & Gas and Renewables)"  Speakers — Gitanjali Bajaj, DLA Piper; David Jenaway, Allen & Overy; Edwina Kwan, King & Wood Mallesons; Dilip Massand, Phoenix Advisors Ltd.; and Joel Glover, Secretariat.	3 June 2022



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