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Talk by Prof. Anselmo Reyes **"Some Thoughts on Making Arbitration More Affordable"**

Co-organized by:

*Asia Pacific Regional Office of
the Hague Conference on
Private International Law*

Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators



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Venue: Mariner's Club (Main Hall 3/F), 11 Middle Road, Tsim Sha Tsui,
Kowloon - Tel. 2368 8261

Date / Time: Tuesday, 10th June 2014 from 6.30 p.m.

Dear Members, Students and Friends,

You are cordially invited to a talk by Prof. Anselmo Reyes : **"Some Thoughts on Making Arbitration More Affordable"**.

It is a regular event organized by ICS Hong Kong Branch ("ICSHK"). In order to broaden the network of our members, we arrange this talk jointly with the "Asia Pacific Regional Office of the Hague Conference on Private International Law" and the "Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators". The Hong Kong SAR Government advocates Hong Kong as an international maritime centre. Maritime arbitration is one of the key sectors in the cluster. Our professionals in shipping focus more on the daily market trends and operation. It is a good opportunity to listen to Prof. Reyes about the arbitration aspect. We have applied to The Law Society of Hong Kong for one CPD point. Certificate of Attendance will be issued by ICSHK to the participants on request.

Meanwhile, we would like to thank Valles Steamship Co., Ltd. for its sponsorship to this talk.

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About this Talk:

Prof. Reyes's talk will focus on how the following might lower the costs of arbitration:-

1. Increasing the available pool of arbitrators.
2. Training in case management for those interested in careers as arbitrators.
3. Increased competition and greater cooperation among regional arbitration institutions.
4. Accession to the Hague Choice of Court Agreements Convention.
5. Greater resort to existing guidelines such as the AAA Code of Ethics for Arbitrators in Commercial Disputes (1 March 2004); IBA Guidelines on Party Representation in International Arbitration (25 May 2013); and the IBA Rules on the Taking of Evidence (29 May 2010).
6. Greater effort at compilations of Transnational Principles of Law.
7. Support of International Commercial Court initiatives such as that currently being pursued in Singapore.

About the Speaker:

Prof. Anselmo Reyes has been Professor of Legal Practice at Hong Kong University since October 2012. Before that, he was a judge of the High Court of Hong Kong from 2003-12. As judge, he ran the Construction and Arbitration List (2004-8) and the Commercial and Admiralty Lists (2008-12). He was called to the Hong Kong Bar in 1986, taking silk in May 2001. He was admitted to the Singapore Bar in 1995. In April 2013, he became Representative of the Asia-Pacific Regional Office of the Hague Conference on Private International Law. He also practises as a commercial arbitrator.

Programme :

- 6.30 pm Registration & Cocktail.
- 6.55 pm Opening by Emcee of the evening.
Welcoming notes by Mr. Y.K. Chan, ICS HK Branch Chairman
- 7.00 pm-
- 8.00 pm Talk by Prof. Anselmo Reyes, followed by Q&A
- 8.15 pm Certificate presentation to new MICS/FICS
- 8.30 pm Closing remarks by Emcee and Cocktail resumes.

CPD Points (The Law Society of Hong Kong)

The Law Society of Hong Kong has been applied for one CPD point. **Please arrive on time for sign-in/sign-out.**

Reserving Seats:

There is no charge for attending this event. Snacks and drinks are complimentary.

Seats are limited and registration is on a first-come-first-served basis. Please reserve a seat as soon as possible by email to – reply@ics.org.hk **no later than Thursday 5th June 2014** with your name / company / contact number. Certificate of Attendance will be issued by ICSHK to the participants on request after the talk.

Unless you are informed that the seats are full, please join us in time. In case you are not able to attend after registration, please inform us immediately so as to release your place to others.

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**** The Hague Conference on Private International Law ("Hague Conference") first met as a "conference" in 1893. The Hague Conference became an inter-governmental organisation in 1955. It has a Permanent Bureau in the Hague, Netherlands. Its mission is to work toward the harmonization of private international law through the promulgation of international conventions. The Hague Conference has only ever had one Regional Office in Latin America and now has set up another Asia Pacific Regional Office in Hong Kong. The Hague Conference's Asia Pacific Regional Office (HAPRO) opened in Hong Kong on 12 December 2012. Prof. Anselmo Reyes is the present Representative of HAPRO. A copy of the activities of HAPRO is attached for reference. Visit <http://www.hcch.net> for more information.**

**** Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators (HKI Arb) established in September 1996 as a Hong Kong's own arbitration institute with charitable status. Its main objective is to promote arbitration and other alternative methods of dispute resolution (ADR) in Hong Kong. HKI Arb will be involved in the training of arbitrators and mediators and the setting of appropriate standards of conduct for arbitrators and mediators in Hong Kong. It is involved in law reform relevant both to arbitration and mediation. It is working to develop ties with other organisations involved in arbitration and ADR, particularly those within China and in the Asia region. Visit <http://www.hkiarb.org.hk> for more information**