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2022 COLLOQUIUM ON INTERNATIONAL LAW

The Global Climate Crisis:
Finding Common Ground
through International Law



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We are living in a time when carbon emissions are growing fast, global temperatures are going up; the Arctic ice is melting, sea levels are rising. Clarion calls have been sounded across different sectors, what is the role of international law in this stern feat of human endeavour?

The 2022 Colloquium on International Law will be inviting expert speakers of international prominence to deliberate from a legal perspective on the quest for convergence of efforts to stem the tide of the threat posed to all living creatures on earth.

LANGUAGE

English (Simultaneous interpretation in Putonghua will be provided)

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15:00–15:15	WELCOME REMARKS
	<p>Anthony NEOH SC JP Chairman, Asian Academy of International Law</p> <p>HUANG Jin President, Chinese Society of International Law</p>
15:15–15:55	OPENING ADDRESSES
	<p>LEE Ka-chiu John GBM SBS PDSM PMSM Chief Executive, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China</p>
	<p>LIU Guangyuan Commissioner, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</p> <p>LAM Ting-kwok Paul SBS SC JP Secretary for Justice, The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China</p>
15:55–16:15	KEYNOTE SPEECH
	TBC
16:15–17:35	PANEL DISCUSSION
	<p><u>MODERATOR:</u> Anthony NEOH SC JP Chairman, Asian Academy of International Law</p>
	<p><u>PANELLISTS: (LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)</u> Alejandro CARBALLO-LEYDA General Counsel and Head of the Conflict Resolution Centre, International Energy Charter</p>
	<p>Raymund CHAO Asia Pacific and China Chairman, PwC</p> <p>Benoît MAYER Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, The Chinese University of Hong Kong</p> <p>QIN Tianbao Luoja Distinguished Professor of Law, Wuhan University</p> <p>Q&A</p>
17:35–17:45	CONCLUDING REMARKS
	<p>Teresa CHENG GBM GBS SC JP Founder Member, Asian Academy of International Law</p>

SPEAKERS (LISTED IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE)



Anthony NEOH SC JP

Chairman

Asian Academy of International Law

Dr Anthony Neoh is a senior member of the Hong Kong Bar specialising in international litigation, arbitration and financial regulatory matters. In 1979, he commenced practice at the Hong Kong Bar after serving for 13 years in the Hong Kong Civil Service. From 1991 to 1994, he was a member of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange Council and its Listing Committee, and chaired its Disciplinary Committee and Debt Securities Group, and was Co-Chairman of the Legal Committee of the Hong Kong and China Listing Working Group. He was the chief architect of the legal structure for the listing of Chinese enterprises in Hong Kong. He is former Chairman of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission from 1995 to 1998; during this time, he was the first Asian to be elected Chairman of the Technical Committee of the International Organization of Securities Commissions. From 1999 to 2004, he was Chief Advisor of the China Securities Regulatory Commission, at the personal invitation of former Premier Zhu Rongji. Dr Neoh was appointed as Chairman of the Hong Kong Independent Police Complaints Council from June 2018 to May 2021. He was the Convenor of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) Expert Group on the Finance Academy and now serves as Member of the HKMA Preparatory Committee for the Finance Academy. He is also the Co-Chairman of 2018 B20 Financing Growth and Infrastructure Task Force, and Co-Chairman of The China Securitization Forum.



HUANG Jin

President

Chinese Society of International Law

Professor Huang serves as Vice President of the China Human Rights Development Foundation Council, Special Counsellor of the Supreme People's Court, and Expert Counsellor of the Supreme People's Procuratorate. He is an arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport, International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes, International Arbitration Chamber of Paris, China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission, and Korean Commercial Arbitration Board.



LEE Ka-chiu John GBM SBS PDSM PMSM

Chief Executive

Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

Mr John Lee joined the Hong Kong Police Force in 1977 as a Probationary Inspector of Police and was promoted to Deputy Commissioner of Police in 2010. He served in a variety of posts in the Force, including Assistant Commissioner (Crime), Director of Crime and Security and Deputy Commissioner (Management). He holds a Master's degree of Public Policy and Administration from Charles Sturt University in Australia. Mr Lee was appointed Under Secretary for Security in 2012 and Secretary for Security in 2017. During his service in the Security Bureau, he was responsible for the formulation of security policies covering law and order, immigration and customs control, fire and emergency rescue services, correctional services, government flying services and other areas. He also oversaw and coordinated the work of six disciplined services departments and two auxiliary forces under the Bureau. Mr Lee was appointed Chief Secretary for Administration in 2021. Apart from assisting the Chief Executive in policy administration, Mr Lee was also responsible for supervising the work of nine policy bureaux, harmonising the work which straddled across different bureaux and departments, as well as promoting a good relationship between the Executive Authorities and the Legislature. Mr Lee won the Chief Executive Election of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on 8 May 2022 and was appointed as the sixth-term Chief Executive by the Central People's Government on 20 May 2022. Mr Lee assumed office on 1 July 2022.



LIU Guangyuan

Commissioner

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

Mr Liu currently serves as the Commissioner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) of the People's Republic of China in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. Mr Liu joined the MFA in 1986, and served in the Department of African Affairs, Department of Personnel, Department of External Security Affairs, the Chinese Embassy in Ghana, and the Chinese Embassy in Nigeria. Mr Liu also served as the Deputy Consul-General in San Francisco, Minister of the Chinese Embassy in the US, and Ambassador to Kenya and Poland.



LAM Ting-kwok Paul SBS SC JP

Secretary for Justice

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

Before joining the Government, Mr Lam was a Senior Counsel in private practice specialising in general civil and commercial proceedings, and has passed the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area Legal Professional Examination. He was the former Vice-Chairman of the Hong Kong Bar Association from 2014 to 2017 and the Chairman from 2017 to 2018. He sat as a Deputy Judge of the High Court of Hong Kong for short periods each year since 2015. He was once enlisted in the Panel of Arbitrators of the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration and the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission, and was once appointed by the China University of Political Science and Law in Beijing as professor. Mr Lam held a number of public service positions such as Chairman of the Consumer Council, Chairman of the Administrative Appeals Board, Chairman of the Operations Review Committee of the Independent Commission Against Corruption and Member of Independent Police Complaints Council.



Teresa CHENG GBM GBS SC JP

Founder Member

Asian Academy of International Law

Teresa Cheng is a Senior Counsel, Chartered Engineer, Chartered Arbitrator and Accredited Mediator, with a distinguished record of public service in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (SAR). From January 2018 to June 2022, Ms Cheng was the Secretary for Justice of the Hong Kong SAR. Ms Cheng specialises in a wide range of legal areas, including construction, international commercial contracts and investment arbitration, and is an experienced practitioner in international arbitration and mediation. She is frequently engaged as counsel or arbitrator in complex international commercial/investment disputes. She is one of the founder members of the Asian Academy of International Law, Past Vice President of the International Council of Commercial Arbitration, Past Vice President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, and Past Chairperson of Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre. In 2008, she became the first Asian woman elected through a global election as President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. She served as Deputy Judge/Recorder in the High Court of Hong Kong from 2011 to 2017, and she was also a member of the World Bank's Sanctions Board. Ms Cheng is a Fellow of King's College in London, and she established the International Arbitration and Dispute Settlement Course at the Law School of Tsinghua University in Beijing, China and was the Course Director.

PANELLISTS (LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER)



Alejandro CARBALLO-LEYDA

General Counsel and Head of Conflict Resolution Centre
International Energy Charter

Alejandro Carballo-Leyda (LL.B. with Economics, Certificate on international conflicts, LL.M., European Ph.D. in international law, Harvard Program on Negotiation, accredited mediator of the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution) is the General Counsel of the International Energy Charter and Head of its Conflict Resolution Centre, which provides good offices and mediation support to investors and governments. From December 2020 to mid-September 2021, he was also Acting Deputy Secretary-General of the International Energy Charter. He coordinated the Guide on Investment Mediation (2016), the amendment to the energy transit conciliation rules (with a commentary), the Model Instrument on Management of Investment Disputes (2018) and the first training for investment mediators. Currently, he supports several countries in developing their internal instrument on managing investment disputes and is working on a joint research paper with the World Bank on investment dispute prevention in the energy sector. Alejandro also teaches foreign investment law at Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne. Previously, he advised States and private clients on a wide range of public and private international law issues. He also edited the book *Asian Conflict of Laws* (Wolters Kluwer, 2015) and participated in the working groups of *UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts* (2010 ed.) and *The Hague Principles on Choice of Law for International Contracts*.



Raymund CHAO

Asia Pacific and China Chairman
PwC

Raymund is the Chairman of PwC Asia Pacific and China. He is one of five members, and the only representative for Asia Pacific, on PwC's Network Leadership Team that sets the vision, strategy, policies and standards for the PwC global network. Raymund has been a visionary in transforming PwC into a multi-nodal organisation that has placed its purpose and values at the centre of its strategy. With a background in audit, Raymund has provided assurance and business advisory services to both private and public enterprises in Hong Kong, as well as State-owned and private enterprises in Mainland China. Raymund has been involved in a number of onshore and offshore initial public offerings, debt financing, corporate restructuring, and merger and acquisition transactions. Raymund has also driven PwC's leadership in corporate responsibility, as well as the contribution of technical and digital support, management advice and holistic services to organisations in the non-profit sector. Recognising that the climate and biodiversity crises are interconnected and must both be acted upon in order to effectively address either, PwC, in collaboration with the World Economic Forum, will be presenting a white paper, *The Global Biodiversity Framework and What It Means for Business*, at the upcoming UN Biodiversity Conference (COP15) in Montreal, Canada. He is also a strong advocate of diversity and inclusion. He was awarded the China Women's Empowerment Principles Awards for Leadership Commitment by the United Nations Women in 2020.



Benoît MAYER

Associate Professor
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Dr Benoît Mayer is Associate Professor at the Faculty of Law of The Chinese University of Hong Kong. He is also associated with McGill University's Hans & Tamar Oppenheimer Chair in Public International Law, the Centre for International Sustainable Development Law, the National University of Singapore's Asia-Pacific Centre for Environmental Law, Wuhan University's Research Institute in Environmental Law, and the Earth System Governance project. Professor Mayer holds degrees from the University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, McGill University, and the National University of Singapore. He has worked as an Associate Professor at the University of Wuhan until 2016. His research explores various aspects of international and comparative climate law. After a Ph.D. thesis on the concept of climate migration, Professor Mayer has increasingly focused on the interpretation of States' obligations on climate change mitigation arising from climate treaties, customary international law, and human rights treaties. His research has been published in periodicals such as the *American Journal of International Law*, the *European Journal of International Law*, and *International and Comparative Law Quarterly*, and in monographs published with Cambridge and Oxford University Press. A comprehensive list of his publications is available at <http://www.benoitmayer.com>



QIN Tianbao

Luojia Distinguished Professor of Law
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Professor Dr Qin Tianbao is a National Changjiang Scholar and Luojia Distinguished Professor of Law, and serves as the Director of the Research Institute of Environmental Law, Director of the Research Center of the Supreme Court of China on Environmental Adjunction Theory, as well as Professor of China Institute of Boundary and Ocean Studies and the European Studies Centre at Wuhan University. He is also Editor-in-Chief of the *Chinese Journal of Environmental Law*, Member and Vice Chair of the Compliance Committee under the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-Sharing, Member of Committee on Conflicts of Interest of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services. He was Vice Dean for the School of Law at Wuhan University and was Deputy Chief Judge of Environmental Chamber of the Supreme Court of China. Professor Dr Qin is the Vice President & Secretary-General of Chinese Society of Environment and Resources Law, a Member of the Board of Directors of WTO Law Research Society of China Law Society. Internationally, he is a Member of IUCN World Commission on Environmental Law and Commission on Ecosystem Management, and was a Member of Governing Board of the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, a Member of the Committee on the Legal Principles relating to Climate Change of the International Law Association and a Member of Expert Group on *Oslo Principles on Global Climate Change Obligations*.