



Australasian Forum for
International Arbitration

**19th AFIA SYMPOSIUM
SYDNEY 2009**

Dear Members and fellow arbitration enthusiasts

We are pleased to invite you to the 19th Symposium of the Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA), to be held in Sydney on **Friday 7 August 2009**.

The Symposium will be hosted by **Sydney University Law School** at their new building on Sydney University main campus (Building F10, Eastern Avenue). If you would like to attend, please register before **Wednesday 29 July 2009** by returning the attached registration form. **Attendance is free of charge.**

AFIA Symposia are not focused on a particular topic, but instead rely on contributions made by participants. As in the past, the Symposium will be conducted in an informal atmosphere intended to encourage contributions or questions related to international arbitration from all participants, irrespective of their level of practical experience in international arbitration.

Below is the program for the Symposium:

2:30pm	Session 1
3:15pm	Coffee break
3:30pm	Guest speaker: Professor Taniguchi, Emeritus Professor, Kyoto University; Of Counsel, Matsuo and Kosugi; former Chair of the WTO Appellate Body
4:00pm	Session 2
5:00pm	Join us for drinks and canapes hosted by the Ross Parsons Centre of Commercial, Corporate and Taxation Law, Sydney University

We do hope that you will join us at this event. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Simon Davis and Christopher Kee
AFIA Co-Chairs



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REGISTRATION FORM

I wish to register for the 19th AFIA Symposium, to be held on **Friday 7 August 2009** at Sydney University Law School, Sydney.

Name:

Organisation:

Telephone:

Email or fax:

Please return this registration form by **29 July 2009** to:

Nicholas Lazarou (nlazarou@claytonutz.com)

Participants are encouraged to submit any questions or topics for discussion, to Nicholas Lazarou (nlazarou@claytonutz.com) or Amanda Lees (amanda.lees@blakedawson.com) by Friday 24 July 2009.

The questions or topics chosen for discussion will be notified to all participants prior to the Symposium. Participants who have submitted questions or topics may be asked to introduce these at the event. If you wish to submit a question or topic for discussion but do not want your name to appear on the topic list, please let us know and one of the conference chairs will introduce the topic on your behalf.

For examples of discussion points, please refer to past editions of *AFIA News* located on our website: <http://www.afia.net.au>.



About AFIA

The Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (AFIA) is a forum for practitioners to discuss issues and developments in international arbitration, with particular focus on the Asia-Pacific region.

AFIA makes its activities as inclusive as possible for practitioners through informal roundtable discussions, where attendees are able to ask questions and share knowledge based on their international arbitration experience. Discussions are led by a more experienced three-member panel and are based on topics that are suggested by members and circulated to attendees prior to each symposium.

AFIA provides a great opportunity for the forging of relationships for young practitioners spanning the Australasian region and globally, through both individual membership and through relationships which AFIA continues to develop with similar organisations around the world.

Since its inauguration in 2004, AFIA has held regular symposia in Melbourne, Sydney, Singapore, Hong Kong and Kuala Lumpur. Recently AFIA held its first symposium in Seoul. For more information, visit our website: www.afia.net.au.

AFIA Members

More than 300 members have already joined AFIA and membership is constantly growing with members from the following countries:

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| ▫ Australia | ▫ Italy | ▫ Taiwan |
| ▫ Bahrain | ▫ Japan | ▫ Thailand |
| ▫ China | ▫ Malaysia | ▫ Turkey |
| ▫ England | ▫ Netherlands | ▫ United Arab Emirates |
| ▫ France | ▫ New Zealand | ▫ United States of America |
| ▫ Germany | ▫ Singapore | |
| ▫ Hong Kong (SAR) | ▫ South Africa | |
| ▫ India | ▫ South Korea | |
| ▫ Indonesia | ▫ Sri Lanka | |
| ▫ Ireland | ▫ Switzerland | |

Becoming an AFIA Member

AFIA members receive newsletters and notices of upcoming international arbitration events and are the first to be informed of AFIA Symposia.

Membership is free. Membership forms are available at all AFIA Symposia or upon request. If you are interested in joining AFIA, please contact the AFIA Secretary, Nicholas Lazarou (nlazarou@claytonutz.com) for more information.