

The Annual MAA Peter Schlechtriem CISG Conference: Towards Uniformity

Conference in Honour of Peter Schlechtriem (1933-2007),

13 March 2010 – Hong Kong



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國際商業模擬仲裁比賽舊生會
Ehemaligenverein des Willera C. Vis Wettbewerbs

This year's theme of "**Towards Uniformity**" looks at the extent to which uniformity has been achieved in relation to both specific and general aspects of the CISG, in its interpretation, obligations and remedies, and how uniformity might be improved in future. The conference also seeks to highlight the regional impact of the CISG in harmonizing sales law in Asia.

Program:

8:30 am Registrations

9:00 am Welcome Address
Professor WANG Guiguo (Dean, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong)
Mr. Luca CASTELLANI (*tbc*)
(UNCITRAL Secretariat, Austria)
Mr. Felix LAUTENSCHLAGER
(President, MAA; Germany/ Hong Kong)

Professor John Y. GOTANDA
(Villanova University, U.S.A., CISG-AC)
"Yin & Yang: A Comparison of Monetary Remedies in International Investment and Transnational Commercial Disputes"
Mr LONG, Weidi (Wuhan University, China, University of Groningen, Netherlands)
"The Reach of the CISG in China: Applicability to SARs and Declarations"

9:25 am **Panel I: General Uniformity Issues**
Co-Chairs: Associate Professor Romesh Weeramantry (City University of Hong Kong) and Felix Lautenschlager
Professor Ingeborg SCHWENZER
(University of Basel, Switzerland, CISG-AC)
"Global Sales Law - Theory and Practice"
Ms Anna ROGOWSKA
(University of Essex, UK)
"Teaching the CISG at UK Universities – an Empirical Study of Frequency and Method of Introducing the CISG to Students in the UK"

11:35 am Morning tea

10:30 am **Panel II: Specific Uniformity Issues**
Co-Chairs: Associate Professor Romesh Weeramantry and Felix Lautenschlager
Professor Sieg EISELEN
(University of South Africa; CISG-AC, Secretary)
"Harmonization of conflicting approaches to avoidance"

12:15 pm **Panel III: General Uniformity Issues**
Co-Chairs:
Assistant Professor Fan Yang (City University of Hong Kong) and Arno L. Eisen (Vice President, MAA, Germany/ Singapore)
Ms Lisa SPAGNOLO
(Monash University, Australia)
"Civil and Common Law Interpretation of the CISG and Resolution of the Procedural Black Hole"
Dr Sonja KRUISINGA
(Molengraaff Institute for Private Law, Netherlands)
"Incorporation of standard terms under the CISG and electronic communication"

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1:20 pm Lunch

2:25 pm **Panel IV: Regional Observations**

Chair:

Elisabeth Opie (CSIRO, Australia; MAA)

Assistant Professor Fan YANG

(City University of Hong Kong, UK/China)

"The CISG in Hong Kong"

Judge Chang-Ho CHUNG

(Seoul High Court of Korea, South Korea)

"The Application and Use of the CISG in South Korea"

Associate Professor Gary BELL

(National University of Singapore)

"Is the CISG Western law unfit for use in Asia and incompatible with Islamic law?"

4:05 pm **Panel V: Regional Observations**

Chair:

Elisabeth Opie (CSIRO, Australia)

Professor Hiroo SONO

(University of Hokkaido, Japan, CISG-AC)

"Favor Contractus: The Impact of the CISG on Japan's Civil Code Reform"

Professor Yasutomo SUGIURA

(Hitotsubashi University, Japan)

"Japan after acceding to the CISG - Should we consider ratifying the Limitation Convention next?"

Associate Professor Bruno ZELLER

(Victoria University, Australia)

"Facilitating Regional Economic Integration: ASEAN, ATIGA & the CISG"

5:45 pm Closing Address

Elisabeth OPIE & Arno L. EISEN
(MAA)

Date and time:

Saturday, 13 March 2010
8:30am-6pm

Venue:

Multi-media Conference Room,
Floor 4, Cheng Yick-Chi Building,
City University of Hong Kong,
83 Tat Chee Avenue,
Kowloon Tong, Kowloon,
Hong Kong SAR

Cost:

Professionals: € 150
Academics: € 100
Students*: € 50
MAA members: € 50

*limited places



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The MAA, founded in 1996, is the alumni association of the Willem C. Vis Moot. With a 700-strong membership, the MAA is comprised of students as well as distinguished academics and practitioners, and internationally-renowned arbitrators and practitioners. The MAA is actively involved in reducing barriers to trade through a number of its projects, including the publication of the **Vindobona Journal of International Commercial Law and Arbitration**, facilitating internships and employment related to these areas of law, a case translation program and collaboration with the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (**UNCITRAL**) and the Institute of International Commercial Law, Pace Law School.