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Ben Olbourne
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Weijun Wang
Secretary General,
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Arbitration Center
Opening Address



Adrian Cole
Independent Arbitrator
Keynote Speaker



Joan Lim-Casanova
Partner and Director, K&L
Gates Straits Law LLC
Moderator – 1st Grand Panel



Edward Epstein
Barrister at Law & Arbitrator,
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Moderator – 2nd Grand Panel



Jeremy Bartlett, S.C.
Barrister, Princes Chambers
Moderator – 3rd Grand Panel



Adrian Emch
Partner, Hogan Lovells
Moderator – 4th Grand Panel



He Fang
Partner, King & Wood
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Moderator – 5th Grand Panel



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9:15 – 9:25	Welcome Message by Chairman 大会主席欢迎寄语 Ben Olbourne, Barrister & Arbitrator, 39 Essex Chambers
9:25 – 9:40	Opening Address by Shanghai International Arbitration Center 开幕致辞 Weijun Wang, Secretary General, Shanghai International Arbitration Center
9:40 – 10:00	Keynote Session: Recent Developments Affecting Global International Arbitration and the Outlook for 2025 主旨发言：影响全球国际仲裁的最新发展及2025年展望 Adrian Cole, Independent Arbitrator
10:00 – 10:40	1st Grand Panel: Art of Negotiation: Tactical Issues in Why Arbitration, Why Mediation and Why Not? 专题研讨一：谈判的艺术和技巧-为何选仲裁、调解及为何不选？ Moderator: • Joan Lim-Casanova, Partner and Director, K&L Gates Straits Law LLC Panellists: • Gary Gao, Partner, Zhong Lun Law Firm • Jeremy Bartlett, S.C. Barrister, Princes Chambers • Guan Feng, Partner, King & Wood Mallensons
10:40 – 11:00	M&A Disputes in China & Asia – Cross-border Issues and a Look into 2025/2026 亚洲和中国的并购纠纷——跨境问题及2025/2026展望 Edward Epstein, Barrister at Law & Arbitrator, QED Chambers
11:00 – 11:25	Networking Break & Morning Refreshment 自由交流、茶歇
11:25 – 11:50	Of Lenders, Sponsors, and States: structuring and Protecting Project Finance Deals in High Sovereign Risk Jurisdictions 贷款人、赞助人和国家：高主权风险司法域内项目融资交易的架构和保护 Olga Boltenko, Boltenko Arbiters
11:50 – 12:15	IP Disputes – 2025 and Beyond 知识产权争议：2025与未来 Douglas Clark, Partner, Tanner De Witt
12:15 – 13:00	2nd Grand Panel: Ask the Experts – Expedited & Emergency Procedures in International Arbitration in 2025 – Is Faster Better and Who Really Benefits? 专题研讨二：专家问答——2025年国际仲裁中的快速程序和紧急程序——是否越快越好，谁在真正受益？ Moderator: • Edward Epstein, Barrister at Law & Arbitrator, QED Chambers Panellists: • Marcus Khoury, Head of Legal, Averda • Chengdong Xing, International Counsel, Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP • Zhihe Xu, Director of the Research Department, Shanghai International Arbitration Center (SHIAC) • Zijin Yu Counsel, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre
13:00 – 14:00	Networking Lunch 交流午餐
14:00 – 14:45	3rd Grand Panel: Enforcement of Awards, Arbitration Clauses & Invalidity of Awards – Different Jurisdictions, Different Answers! 专题研讨三：裁决的执行、仲裁条款和裁决无效——不同法域的不同结论！ Moderator: • Jeremy Bartlett, S.C. Barrister, Princes Chambers Panellists: • Marcus Khoury, Head of Legal, Averda • Gary Gao, Partner, Zhong Lun Law Firm • Adrian Cole, Independent Arbitrator
14:45 – 15:10	Decoding EU Regulatory Changes and Recent Trends: Implications for Chinese Enterprises 解读欧盟法规变化和最新趋势：对中国企业的影响 Kaarli Eichhorn, Partner, Jones Day
15:10 – 15:55	4th Grand Panel: Anti-Trust Law – Compliance & Regulatory Issues with Chinese & Foreign Companies & Merger Control & the Digital Era 专题研讨四：反垄断法——合规、中国和外国公司的监管问题、兼并与控制与数字时代 Moderator: • Adrian Emch, Partner, Hogan Lovells Panellists: • Xi Liao, Partner, Zhao Sheng Law Firm • Thomas Yang, Partner, Boss & Young • Kaarli Eichhorn, Partner, Jones Day
15:55 – 16:20	Networking Break & Afternoon Refreshment 自由交流、茶歇
16:20 – 16:45	US Data Transfer Restrictions to China: How the Various Executive Orders and Latest Regulations Affect Your Business 美国对中国的数据传输限制：美国各类行政命令和最新法规对业务的影响 Scott Warren, National Partner, Tokyo/Shanghai, Squire Patton Boggs; Secretary, Executive Board, The Society for The Policing of Cyberspace
16:45 – 17:30	5th Grand Panel: Fraud – Technology Disputes 2025: Rise of AI, Investigations & Avoiding Corporate Fraud 专题研讨五：2025年技术纠纷：人工智能崛起、调查和避免公司欺诈 Moderator: • He Fang, Partner, King & Wood Malleons Panellists: • Md. Imam Hossain, In-house Legal Counsel, Bangladesh House Building Finance Corporation • Olga Boltenko, Boltenko Arbiters • Douglas Clark, Partner, Tanner de Witt • Felix Hess, VP and Head of Compliance, Siemens Ltd. China
17:30 – 17:35	Closing Remarks & Lucky Draw 闭幕致辞、抽奖
17:35 – 18:30	Whisky Tasting & Networking Drinks 自由交流及品酒会

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Ben Olbourne, Barrister & Arbitrator, 39 Essex Chambers

Ben is an experienced counsel at the English Bar and an arbitrator in international commercial disputes. He is a member of 39 Essex Chambers and is English qualified, however, he has lived and worked in Asia for more than 10 years. In his counsel work, he provides advisory and advocacy services across a broad range of sectors, principally general commercial, international trade and commodities, business sales and purchases, joint venture and other commercial agreements, energy, and insurance and re-insurance. He has acted for private and state-owned enterprises in many jurisdictions. Most of his work is multi-jurisdictional and involves issues of private international and foreign law. Ben also sits regularly as an arbitrator (50+ appointments) and has been appointed under all of the leading arbitral rules in matters with seats in Singapore, Australia, India, Hong Kong, Vietnam, Russia, France and England among others. He is recommended as counsel and/or as arbitrator in the leading regional directories.

Weijun Wang, Secretary General, Shanghai International Arbitration Center

Ms. WANG Weijun, Secretary-General of Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (Shanghai International Arbitration Center), Vice President of Shanghai Arbitration Association, Vice Chairman of Permanent Forum of China Construction Law (PFCCL). Ms. Wang is listed arbitrator of several arbitration institutions with senior experience in arbitration. She actively promotes the development and innovation of arbitration mechanism by establishing China (Shanghai) Pilot Free Trade Zone Court of Arbitration and CAJAC Shanghai Center, promulgating Free Trade Arbitration Rules, and launching the international aviation arbitration mechanism etc. Ms. Wang is the member of the Shanghai Law Society Arbitration Law Research Association and Aviation Law Research Association and serves as part-time graduate tutors in Fudan University, East China University of Political Science and Law etc. Ms. Wang is listed in the Shanghai Young Talent Pool of Jurisprudence and Law and Shanghai Oriental Top Talent Program.

Adrian Cole, Independent Arbitrator

Adrian Cole is an Independent Arbitrator, Mediator and Dispute Board member and a specialist in energy, real estate and infrastructure development and formerly led King & Spalding's highly rated Middle East Dispute Resolution Practice. Mr Cole is listed by Who's Who Legal as one of the top 25 construction dispute resolution lawyers in the World and ranked tier one by Chambers Global and Legal 500.

As arbitrator, Mr Cole has decided over 90 significant and complex cases sitting with some of the world's leading arbitrators and is listed by Chambers Global as one of the most in demand arbitrators. He has recently successfully mediated a complex commercial dispute between a major Japanese trading house and four European companies. Mr Cole is a member of the Commission on Arbitration and ADR at the ICC and was a task force leader on a project to widen awareness and use of ADR. Mr Cole is an international Judge in the Court of Cassation, in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Joan Lim-Casanova, Partner and Director, K&L Gates Straits Law LLC

Joan Lim-Casanova is a Partner and Director of K&L Gates Straits Law LLC. She is a member of the Commercial Disputes practice group. She has more than 15 years of experience in international dispute resolution and does both litigation and arbitration that arise from diverse subject matters such as trusts, insurance, infrastructure, and renewable energy.

She has acted for clients in different sectors such as construction, investment, banking, and commodities. Joan also regularly acts for and advises Chinese private and state-owned entities to manage and avoid disputes in Asia (including Singapore, China, Indonesia, and Vietnam).

Joan has been consistently recognized by The Legal 500 Asia Pacific Guide as a Rising Star and Next-Generation Partner. She takes a keen interest in the client's business and clients have commended that Joan has a "good grasp of the commercial realities" and "complete mastery of all the facts and events."

Prior to joining the firm, Joan has served as a partner at a Singapore law firm which was in a formal law alliance with a Magic Circle firm.

Edward Epstein, Barrister at Law & Arbitrator, QED Chambers

Edward Epstein has lived in China and Hong Kong for more than 35 years, including more than 20 years in Shanghai. He was first an M&A corporate partner managing the Shanghai office of an Amlaw 100 firm and then re-qualified as a Hong Kong barrister and arbitrator and practises at QED Chambers.

He is on the arbitrator lists of several international arbitration centers, including Hong Kong, Singapore, Beijing, Shanghai and Shenzhen and has acted as sole arbitrator in cases concerning cross-border corporate and commercial disputes. He has received numerous legal accolades, including being voted one of China's top 100 Lawyers in 2016 and 2017 and a BTI Client Service All-Star.

Edward was among the first western scholars to study law at the Chinese Renmin University in Beijing and is fluent in written and spoken Mandarin Chinese. He received a B.A. and LL.B. from the Australian National University, an LL.M. from Columbia University, and is also admitted as a solicitor in England & Wales (practising), the Republic of Ireland and Australia. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Jeremy Bartlett, S.C. Barrister, Princes Chambers

Prior to joining the Hong Kong Bar in 1999 Jeremy was in private practice at Herbert Smith and from 1994 to 1999 an international equity partner with Coudert Brothers where he was Head of the Litigation Department and Co-Head of the firm's Asia Region Arbitration Practice Group (9 regional offices).

Following upon his extensive experience as advocate/counsel in arbitrations, Jeremy acts as arbitrator (sole, co-arbitrator or and presiding arbitrator) in international commercial arbitrations and has accepted appointments under the rules of various institutions as well as in ad hoc arbitrations. Jeremy acts in a broad range of commercial litigation, including company and shareholder disputes, insolvency, trusts and estates, international trade and shipping, conflict of laws, defamation, employment/restraint of trade, professional negligence and securities regulatory matters. His practice has involved numerous appearances in the appellate Courts, including in the Court of Final Appeal [1]. He has been a contributing editor to Hong Kong Civil Procedure. Jeremy has received rankings in successive editions of Chambers and Partners, Legal 500 (Commercial Disputes: Tier 1 leading silk; Family and Private Client: Tier 2 leading silk), Legal 500 Arbitration Power List and Who's Who Legal as well as in Euromoney's Guide to Experts in Commercial Arbitration. He regularly speaks at international conferences and gives lectures at Mainland Chinese universities and law firms on arbitration topics.

Adrian Emch, Partner, Hogan Lovells

Adrian Emch began developing his understanding in competition/antitrust law while at university. After graduation, he first worked at the Directorate General for Competition (DG COMP) at the European Commission, and then spent several years in private practice in Brussels focusing on European Union competition law. In July 2008, Adrian made his second move back to China, which was just a month before the country's Anti-Monopoly Law came into force. Since that time, Adrian has had the privilege of witnessing and actively participating in shaping the development of China's nascent antitrust regime.

As a fluent Mandarin speaker and with his experience as lecturer at Peking University and Shanghai Jiaotong University, Adrian smoothly navigates business and legal communities from both the West and China. Adrian's experience covers all aspects of competition/antitrust law, including merger control, cartel/abuse of dominance investigations, and antitrust counselling. Adrian is the National Vice Chair of the Legal and Competition Working Group of the European Union Chamber of Commerce in China.

He Fang, Partner, King & Wood Mallesons

He Fang is a Partner in King & Wood Mallesons' Shanghai office and co-leads the firm's Intellectual Property Litigation group. He is a senior IP litigator with extensive technology-related contentious experience in Chinese judiciaries. He has represented clients in landmark cases, including China's first declaration of non-infringement for trademarks ("The Peter Rabbit" case) and the first preliminary injunction for a design patent in Zhejiang (the "Hansgrohe" case). His work on industrial design infringement for Shanghai M&G Stationery Inc. was selected among the "Top 10 IP Cases" by China's Supreme People's Court. Appointed to the All China Lawyers Association's list of "China Leading International Legal Professionals" since 2013, He Fang has also been named among China's Top 100 Lawyers by China Business Law Journal, and recognised by Asialaw Profiles, WTR 1000, and IAM Strategy 300 as a leading practitioner.

Olga Boltenko, Boltenko Arbiters

Ms. Boltenko is a barrister, arbitrator, and mediator with over a decade of experience in cross-border dispute resolution and international arbitration. Most recently with Fangda Partners in Hong Kong, Ms. Boltenko has also practised with leading arbitration teams in Paris and Singapore. With a particular focus on public international law, investor-State dispute resolution, and commercial arbitration, Ms Boltenko has acted as legal counsel in investor-State disputes under the auspices of the Permanent Court of Arbitration, the ICSID, the SCC, the ICC, the LCIA, and in various capacities in dozens of commercial disputes in a wide array of industries including oil and gas, mining, infrastructure, construction, telecommunications and pharmaceuticals, across Asia and beyond. Ms. Boltenko teaches a master of laws degree in arbitration and ADR with a focus on Belt & Road investment law at The University of Hong Kong, where she is a deputy executive director. She is also a professor of law at the Royal University of Law and Economics in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, where she teaches a course in investment law at the dual degree program with the Free University of Brussels. Ms. Boltenko has been consistently recognized in legal rankings, including by Who's Who Legal, where she has been ranked over the years as a National Leader for Hong Kong and a Thought Leader Global Elite - Under 45. She is described as a "highly motivated and hard-working practitioner who stands out as an excellent choice for investor-state disputes".

Douglas Clark, Partner, Tanner De Witt

Douglas Clark is an intellectual property partner with Tanner De Witt, an independent firm based in Hong Kong. He commenced practice in Hong Kong in 1993. He was based in Shanghai from 2000 to 2010 where he founded and was managing partner of the office of a large international firm. He handled contentious and non-contentious IP matters in Mainland China including patent litigation, technology transfer and international arbitrations. He moved back to Hong Kong in 2011 and practiced as a barrister until 2020 when he moved to become head of Global Dispute Resolution for an IP boutique firm. He joined Tanner De Witt this year. He has been appointed an arbitrator and acted as counsel in numerous technology disputes involving China. He regularly advises clients on IP issues related to de-risking and digitisation.

Doug is the author of a number of legal texts, including Patent Litigation in China, as well as a history of extraterritoriality in China and Japan, Gunboat Justice. He speaks both Japanese and Mandarin fluently.

Gary Gao, Partner, Zhong Lun Law Firm

Mr. Gary GAO is the Partner and the Head of Compliance & Regulatory Department of Zhong Lun Law Firm. Gary is a skilled litigator and arbitrator with over 28 years experiences handling complex, cross-border arbitration, litigation as well as sophisticated commercial disputes. He has represented clients in commercial arbitration before the ICC, HKIAC, SHIAC and other arbitral institutions.

He has rich experience in international arbitration, litigation and mediation, familiar with the strategic planning of dispute resolution in multiple jurisdictions, the collection, screening and rules of proof of cross-border evidence production. In particular, Gary is good at dealing with disputes involving corporate equity, partnership private equity investment, procurement contracts, cross-border mergers and acquisitions, insurance claims, etc., and often acts as an expert witness on Chinese law in international litigation or arbitration proceedings. Furthermore, Gary also provide legal advice on Chinese substantive and procedural law to foreign clients or international law firms.

In addition, Gary has served as arbitrator in arbitrations conducted under HKIAC, SHIAC, SHAC and other arbitral institutions, and is included in the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre's List of Arbitrators, the LCIA Database of Arbitrators, the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board's Panel of Arbitrators, the List of WIPO Mediators and Arbitrators, the Shanghai International Arbitration Center's List of Arbitrators and the Shanghai Arbitration Commission's List of Arbitrators.

Scott Warren, National Partner, Tokyo/Shanghai, Squire Patton Boggs; Secretary, Executive Board, The Society for The Policing of Cyberspace

Scott Warren is a partner in our Tokyo and Shanghai offices, specializing in cybersecurity, data privacy and digital data disclosures in Asia and the Middle East. He also has significant experience in compliance, intellectual property (IP), litigation, dispute resolution, and government regulatory and internal investigations.

Scott started his career as a civil litigator in California. He moved to Japan in 1993, where he has lived since. He served seven years as general counsel at Sega Corporation and six years as a senior attorney at Microsoft. He serves on the executive board of The Society for the Policing of Cyberspace, a nonprofit organization. He headed Kroll in Japan and Kroll Ontrack across Asia, and later opened Epiq Systems in Japan, providing IP protection, computer forensics and e-discovery solutions.

Scott is a California-licensed lawyer and a licensed foreign lawyer in Japan. He is a Certified International Counter-Cyber Crime Professional and certified as a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIARB). Since 2004, he has served on the Society for the Policing of Cyberspace, a non-profit organization dedicated to working with its global members towards a more secure Internet. He serves at the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan, where he was awarded Leader of the Year for 2020, as Co-Chair of the Legal Services & Intellectual Property Committee; Vice-Chair of the Secure Digital Infrastructure Committee; Vice-Chair of the Information, Communication and Technology Committee; and Vice Chair of the Digital Forum.

Md. Imam Hossain, In-house Legal Counsel, Bangladesh House Building Finance Corporation

Md. Imam Hossain is In-house Legal Counsel of Bangladesh House Building Finance Corporation (BHBFC) and specializes in International Commercial Arbitration, International Investment and Development Law and Public International Law. Mr. Hossain has worked on cases representing BHBFC in litigation and arbitration matters. Before joining in BHBFC, Mr. Hossain served as an Assistant Attorney General of Bangladesh Attorney General Office. Furthermore, Mr. Hossain was the Chief Editor of Counsel, A monthly Law Report.

Mr. Hossain has a publication on "The Impact of OBOR Initiative in the Asia Pacific Region"1, Hors Serie Volume XXV, 2019, Modernization of National Commercial Laws and the Role of International Legal Harmonization and "Pursuing Sustainable Economic Development through "Right to Development," Chevening Journal Volume 1 2012, Bangladesh.

Mr. Hossain has attended numerous International Congress and Conferences, including "Round Table Discussion on Strengthening Constitutional Institutions - Malaysia's Reform Programme" held in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia, October 5, 2019 as a Speaker, UNCITRAL 2017 Congress held in Vienna, Austria from 4-6 July 2017 as a speaker. Mr. Hossain attended 30th and 35th LAWASIA Conference as a speaker and 32nd LAWASIA conference as delegate. Mr. Hossain participated in 12th LAWASIA International Moot held in Tokyo, Japan on 19-20 September, 2017 and 16th LAWASIA International Moot (Virtual) held on 21 October, 2021 as a Judge of the moot court competitions. Mr. Hossain has been awarded the Lex-Falcon Global Award 2022-2023 for his overall reach, industry impact, spirit of innovation and market demand in the legal field. Mr. Hossain received 2016 IPBA Scholarship, The 9th World Congress Scholarship in 2014 and Chevening Scholarship in 1995. In 2024 Mr. Hossain attended in 6th Annual International Arbitration, Corporate Fraud & Anti-Trust Summit, held in Shanghai, China and presented his research titled 'OBOR- A new dimension in Cyber Security and Export Data Privacy'. In the next year Mr. Hossain also attended in 7th Annual International Arbitration, Corporate Fraud & Anti-Trust Summit, held in Shanghai, China and participated in '3rd Grand Panel: Shareholders, Stakeholders & Director Disputes with Chinese & Foreign Companies – Best Practices to Protect the Company'.

Marcus Khoury, Head of Legal, Averda

Marcus Antoine Khoury is Head of Legal at Averda. Marcus has been working as an inhouse legal counsel in the construction industry in the GCC, in particular in Saudi Arabia and in the UAE, for the past 20 years. He is both German and Lebanese and has graduated at the Sorbonne in Paris and the Universities of Cologne and Munich. In his spare time Marcus loves to hike and considers having walked more than 1000 km to the Spanish city of Santiago de Compostela as one of his greatest experiences.

Xi Liao Partner, Zhao Sheng Law Firm

Xi is a partner in Shanghai Zhao Sheng Law Firm, part of Linklaters' global network. Xi represents a wide range of multinational corporate, Chinese state-owned enterprises and private sector companies on various issues of competition law. Xi has recently worked on, among others, the multinational filings for Rio Tinto's acquisition of Arcadium and China Resources' acquisition of JCET (the third-largest OSAT provider globally). He was also involved in securing clearance for the first EU Foreign Subsidies Regulation merger review involving a Chinese company.

Xi is qualified in the PRC and the New York State. He is based in Beijing and has previously worked in Brussels and London to gain international experience.

Xi is recognised by Legal 500 as a Leading Individual, ranked by Chambers in the China competition/antitrust space and named a "Future Leader - Competition" by Who's Who Legal. He also won the Best Antitrust Writing Awards by Concurrences.

Chengdong Xing, International Counsel, Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

XING Chengdong is an international arbitration lawyer specializing in disputes within the construction, energy, and infrastructure sectors. He regularly represents clients in arbitrations administered by leading institutions, including SIAC, CIETAC, AAA, KCAB, and LCIA.

With extensive cross-jurisdictional experience across China, the U.S., and other regions, Chengdong frequently advises and represents Chinese and multinational corporations in their most critical, complex, and high-stakes international projects.

In multiple recent cases, he has employed and promoted innovative SIAC procedural tools, such as expedited procedures, emergency arbitration, and the Arb-Med-Arb protocol. Chengdong leverages these tools to optimize arbitration efficiency, reduce dispute resolution timelines, and effectively manage procedural costs.

Zijin Yu, Counsel, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre

Zijin Yu is Counsel of HKIAC. She administers cases in English and Chinese. She also assists with HKIAC's business development activities in Mainland China. In addition, Zijin is responsible for event coordination and promotion for Women in Arbitration (WIA).

Thomas Yang, Partner, Boss & Young

Thomas Yang graduates from Fudan University Law School and is partner of Boss & Young Attorneys at Law. He has 10 years' experience in the compliance field and has provided compliance services for numerous Fortune 500 companies.

Thomas is experienced in monopoly agreements matters, including internal audit, internal investigation, business model review, and government investigation. In the past few years, Thomas helped several MNCs deal with government investigations and all achieved good results. In addition, Thomas is also experienced in reviews of advertising materials for cosmetics, dietary supplements, home appliances, and providing comprehensive advertising compliance services. He has handled a large number of malicious reporting by "Professional Consumers." He advised clients from various industries on anti-commercial bribery issues regarding their sales promotions, business models, business dealings, incentive policies, etc., and helped many clients in global policy localization. Thomas also experienced in government investigation response as well as company internal investigation. He has helped numbers of clients to appropriately respond to government investigations in the areas of advertising, anti-commercial bribery, and anti-monopoly. He also has rich experience in internal investigations related to corruption, human resource fraud, procurement fraud, embezzlement, antitrust, etc. He provides data compliance services such as international data transfer and data breach response. In addition, Thomas conducts anti-monopoly and anti-commercial bribery compliance audits for clients.

Kaarli Eichhorn, Partner, Jones Day

Kaarli Eichhorn has acted on a significant number of high-profile and politically sensitive antitrust matters globally for almost 25 years. Kaarli is recognized in numerous legal directories, including Chambers and Legal 500 as a "Leading Individual" Competition: EU and Global. He has substantial experience in competition law, FSR (Foreign Subsidies Regulation) and investment screening, EU regulation, and government affairs. His experience includes energy, oil & gas, transportation, telecommunications, consumer products, aerospace, life sciences, financial services, and media.

Prior to Jones Day, Kaarli was global executive counsel of competition law & policy at General Electric (GE). During his 10-year tenure at GE he advised on hundreds of international transactions and led the merger review clearance processes globally for GE's acquisitions of Alstom (\$10.6 billion), Avio (\$4.3 billion), Lufkin (\$3.3 billion), and Dresser (\$3 billion) and divestments of NBCU (\$30 billion) and upward of \$200 billion of GE Capital assets. He handled a significant amount of GE's counseling, training, guidance, internal investigations, and audits within the company's business divisions internationally. Chambers says: "based on his many years of in-house experience, he delivers concise, practical suggestions that can be implemented immediately."

Kaarli was vice chair of AmChamEU 2020-2023. He has held several other AmCham EU leadership roles and is currently AmChamEU vice chair for competition and the Ukraine Task Force. He is a prior EJP (European Justice Forum) board member, former vice chair of the In-House Competition Counsel Association, and member of the BusinessEurope Competition Committee. He is a non-governmental advisor at the International Competition Network. He leads Jones Day's Nordic practice.

Zhihe Xu, Director of the Research Department, Shanghai International Arbitration Center (SHIAC)

Mr Zhihe Xu is the Director of the Research Department of the Shanghai International Arbitration Center (SHIAC). Before he joined SHIAC in 2013, he worked for Shanghai Jiaotong University KoGuan Law School as a senior officer. In SHIAC, he was entrusted by the Secretariat of SHIAC as a case manager in more than 700 international or domestic cases. He is a leading drafting task force member of SHIAC's 2014 FTZ Arbitration Rules and 2024 Arbitration Rules. SHIAC has nominated Mr. Xu as Deputy Secretary General of the Arbitration Law Academy of the Shanghai Law Society and the Permanent Forum of China Construction Law. After being selected as the Shanghai Arbitration Commission arbitrator in 2022, Mr Xu worked as co-arbitrator or sole arbitrator in 60 cases.

Guan Feng, Partner, King & Wood Malleons

Mr. Guan Feng is a partner of King & Wood Malleons, Managing Partner of the East China Dispute Resolution Department, head of the finance asset management dispute resolution team, and the partner-in-charge of KWM's Nanjing Office. He specializes in foreign-related litigation and arbitration, with expertise in financial derivatives, cross-border commercial and asset management disputes. He has represented clients in cases with far-reaching theoretical and practical implications, such as those included in the Top Ten Commercial Cases of the Supreme People's Court, typical trust cases of the Shanghai Financial Court, and a dispute over the preemptive right involving over ten billion Yuan. For years, he has been consistently recognized as a "Band 1 Lawyer in Dispute Resolution: PRC Firms" in China by Chambers Global.

Felix Hess, VP and Head of Compliance, Siemens Ltd. China

Felix Hess is Vice President and Head of Compliance of Siemens Ltd. China, a leading technology company with more than 30,000 employees, 21 R&D hubs, over 40 operating companies and more than 150 years history in China. For many years Felix' career focused on litigation and arbitration, first in private practice in Shanghai and later as in-house counsel in the litigation department of Siemens in Germany. In these roles Felix acted as counsel and managed numerous large-scale project, infrastructure and technology disputes under the rules of most leading arbitration institutions worldwide.

After three years as General Counsel and Compliance officer in the Middle East, Felix took over his current role as Head of Compliance for Siemens Greater China where he oversees fields such as anti-corruption, AML, anti-trust, data privacy, ethic management and export control.

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