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INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION INSTITUTIONS ROUNDTABLE:

INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENTS & PRACTICAL EXPERIENCES IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION

 **26** May 2026
(Tuesday)

 **01.45 – 5.00 PM**
(Afternoon Session)

 **GOLDEN BALLROOM**
3rd FLOOR, FORTUNA HOTEL HANOI
6B Lang Ha Str., Giang Vo W., Hanoi, Vietnam

 **ENGLISH**

Organizers



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INTRODUCTION

In recent years, alongside the shifting dynamics of trade, investment, supply chains, and capital flows, Asia has increasingly emerged as a dynamic centre of growth for international arbitration. The demand for dispute resolution in the region has grown not only in volume but also in complexity and sophistication, placing higher expectations on quality, flexibility, user-friendliness, and case management efficiency in arbitral proceedings.

Against this backdrop, international arbitral institutions, both globally and within Asia, are entering a period of significant adjustment to meet evolving market demands. From revising procedural rules and enhancing case management systems to embracing technological innovation and adapting to changing dispute structures and user expectations, arbitral institutions are continuously reshaping their operations to maintain competitiveness, credibility, and responsiveness in the global dispute resolution landscape. In doing so, Asia is not only expanding its role as a vibrant arbitration market but also increasingly asserting itself as a space that contributes to shaping new standards in international arbitration.

Within the framework of the Vietnam ADR Week – VAW 2026, the **"International Arbitration Institutions Roundtable: Institutional Developments and Practical Experiences in International Arbitration"** is convened as an open forum for dialogue among arbitral institutions in the region. This roundtable aims to highlight key emerging trends and share practical experiences in recent years. It will further explore Asia's growing prominence as a new centre of gravity in international arbitration, the expanding role of regional arbitral institutions, and the institutional, competitive, and professional standards required to sustain this momentum.



1.45 PM - 5.00 PM
26 May 2026



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Hanoi, Vietnam*

ROUNDTABLE

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 Date & time	 Venue	 Language
01:45 (PM) – 05:00 (AM) 26th May 2026 (Tuesday)	Golden Ballroom Fortuna Hotel Hanoi 6B Lang Ha St., Giang Vo Ward, Hanoi	English

Time frame	Content
1.45 – 2.10 PM	Registration
2.10 – 2.15 PM	Opening Remarks
Session 1: Updates on Recent Development Trends of International Arbitration Institutions	
Panel Discussion:	
2.15 – 3.00 PM	• Major institutional developments in recent years • Notable reforms in arbitration rules and procedures • Emerging trends in caseloads and sectors of dispute • Recent innovations in technology, case management etc.
Session 2: Roundtable discussion - The Eastward Shift: Asia as the New Centre of Gravity in International Arbitration	
Content:	
3.00 – 4.30 PM	Against the backdrop of increasingly volatile global trade shaped by geopolitical and economic dynamics, international dispute resolution is also entering a period of significant transformation, with Asia increasingly emerging as a key force shaping its future. This session examines the growing “eastward shift” in international arbitration, drawing on practical insights from leading arbitral institutions in the region. It seeks to address a central question: Has Asia become the “new destination” for international arbitration, and how will this shift impact users, arbitral institutions, as well as the broader community of legal practitioners and arbitrators? As part of VAW 2026, the discussion also highlights the increasingly prominent role of emerging jurisdictions, including Vietnam, within the evolving regional and global arbitration landscape. The session is expected to provide an open forum for experts to exchange views on opportunities, competitive challenges, and the standards necessary to sustain and further advance the development of arbitration in Asia.
4.30 – 5.00 PM	Q&A Session
5.00 PM	Closing Remark

INTRODUCTION

SPEAKERS



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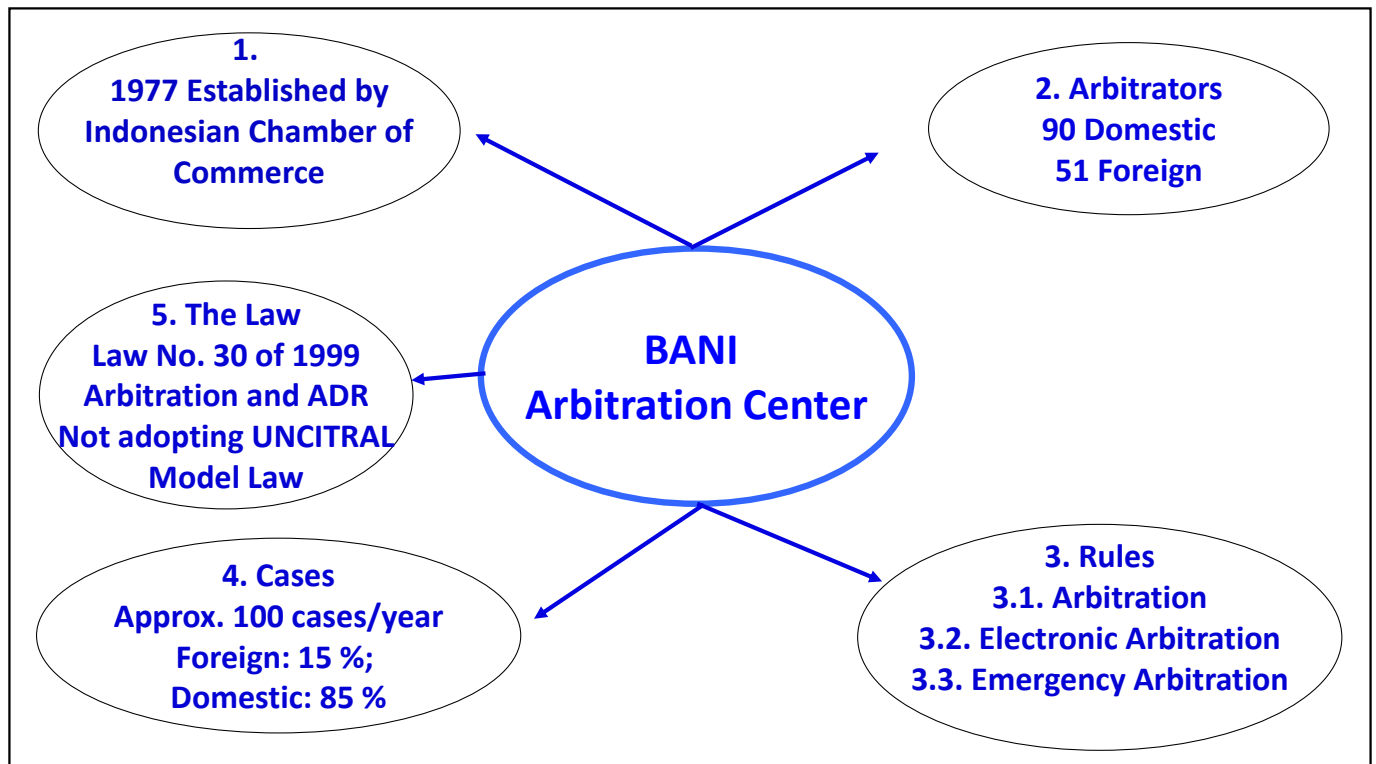


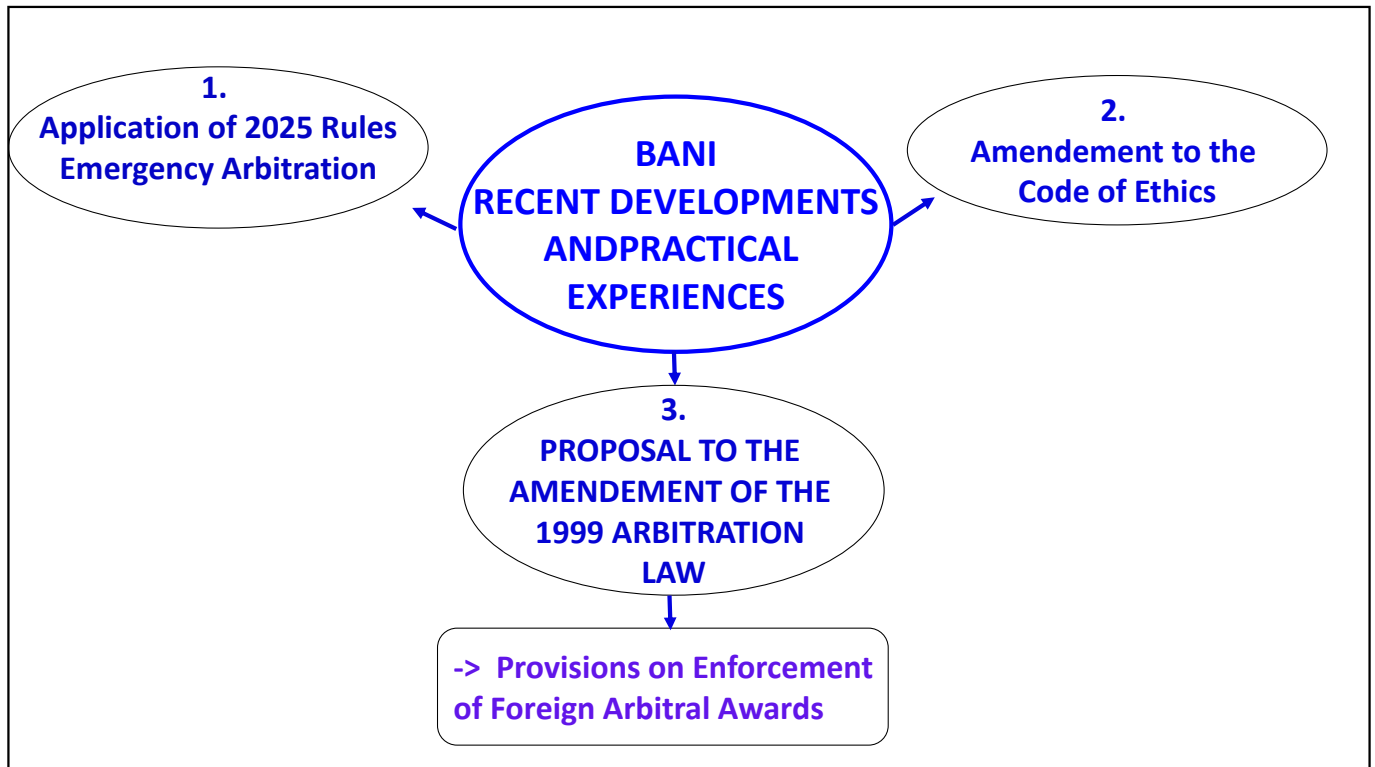
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BANI: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

Dr. Huala Adolf

Vice Chairman BANI Arbitration Center
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International Developments and Practical Experiences in International Arbitration

Michelle CHEUNG

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26 May 2026

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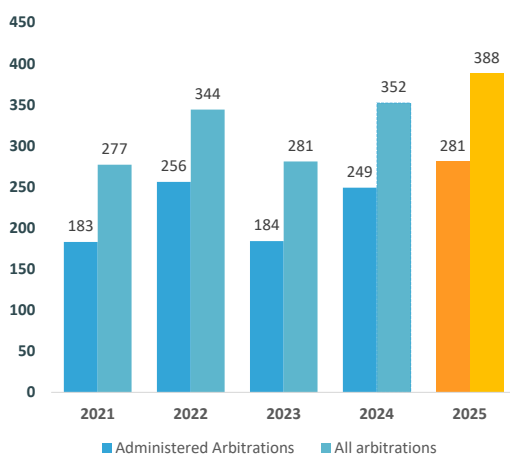


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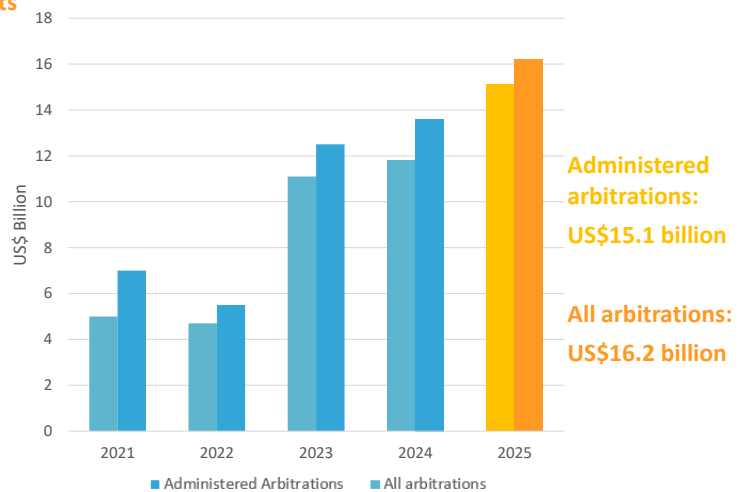
2025 ANOTHER RECORD YEAR

CONTINUED GROWTH IN NEW CASES

388 new arbitrations commenced under 578 contracts



INCREASE IN TOTAL DISPUTE VALUE



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2025 GLOBAL PARTICIPATION: PARTIES FROM 61 JURISDICTIONS



84% of all cases international in nature: 93% of all administered cases international in nature

Top 10	Jurisdiction(s)
1.	Hong Kong
2.	Mainland China
3.	BVI
4.	Cayman Islands
5.	Singapore
6.	United States
7.	UAE
8.	Indonesia
9.	Brazil
10.	Russia / Switzerland / UK

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2025: USE OF PROVISIONS FOR EFFICIENCY AND EXPEDITION



- Multi-party or multi-contract arbitration:
 - 1233 parties and 578 contracts
 - 185 cases involved multiple parties or contracts
 - 96 cases commenced as a single arbitration under multiple contracts
 - 14 requests for consolidation: 12 granted and 2 rejected
 - 13 requests for joinder of additional parties: 9 granted, 3 rejected and 1 pending
- 9 emergency arbitrator applications submitted
- 35 expedited procedure applications: 32 granted and 3 rejected
- 5 applications for early determination procedure: 1 granted, 3 rejected and 1 pending
- Tribunal secretary appointments: HKIAC legal staff appointed on 133 occasions to date

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2025 ARBITRATION CASE STATISTICS



176
arbitrator appointments
made by HKIAC
and HKIAC confirmed 141 arbitrators
(party/co-arbitrator designations)



84%
international cases
13.7% new arbitration cases involved no Asian parties
92.9% of administered arbitrations were international



US\$ 16.2 billion
Total amount in dispute
(HK\$ 127 billion)



seat of arbitration
Hong Kong most commonly chosen
seat of arbitration
Other seats: not specified



**most commonly chosen
governing law**
1. Hong Kong law
2. English law
3. Chinese law
17 different governing laws chosen



language
77.6% cases conducted in English
16.7% were in Chinese
5.3% were in English & Chinese
0.4% were in Russian

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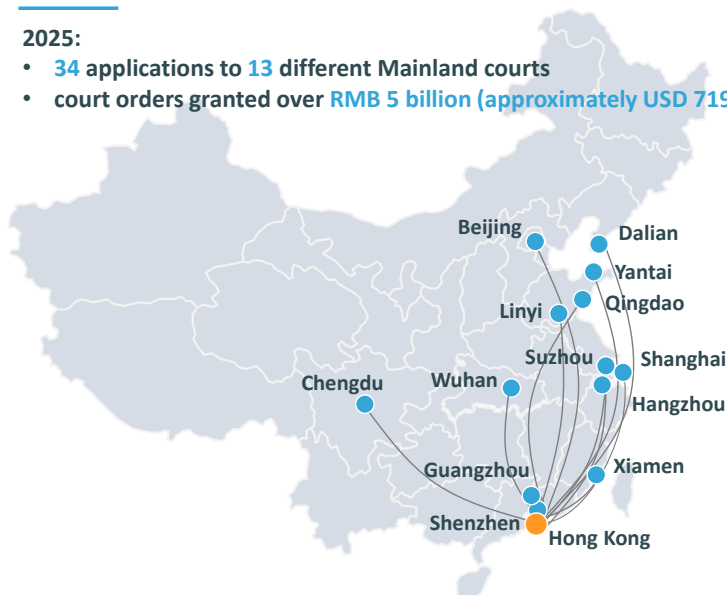
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HK-PRC ARRANGEMENT ON INTERIM MEASURES – HKIAC STATISTICS



2025:

- **34** applications to **13** different Mainland courts
- court orders granted over **RMB 5 billion (approximately USD 719.8 million)** worth of assets



Parties to **Hong Kong-seated** arbitrations administered by **HKIAC** may seek interim relief from Mainland Chinese courts



178 applications (assets, evidence and conduct) processed in total to **46** different Mainland courts



Total court orders granted over **RMB 30.8 billion** (approximately US\$ 4.6 billion) worth of assets

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**2024 Administered
Arbitration Rules**



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**THE HKIAC
BRIEF**





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Introduction to eBRAM

Mr Albert Leung,

Acting Chief Executive Officer

26 May 2026



About eBRAM

An independent and neutral arbitration and mediation institution integrating
Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) with LawTech services.

Founders



Hong Kong Bar Association
香港大律師公會



THE LAW SOCIETY
OF HONG KONG
香港律師會



AAIL
ASIAN ACADEMY OF
INTERNATIONAL
LAW



律政司
法律及司法處
Department of Justice
The Government of the Hong Kong
Special Administrative Region



中法人民共和國香港特別行政區政府
創新科技署
創新及科技基金



LSGM
Logistics and Supply Chain Multi-Tech R&D Centre
物流及供應鏈多元技術研發中心

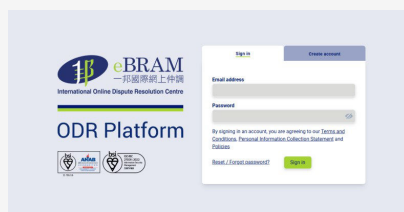


eBRAM's LawTech Platforms



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about ODR

Online Dispute Resolution (ODR)



odr.ebram.org

Deal-making Portal (DMP)



<https://dealmaking.ebram.org/>



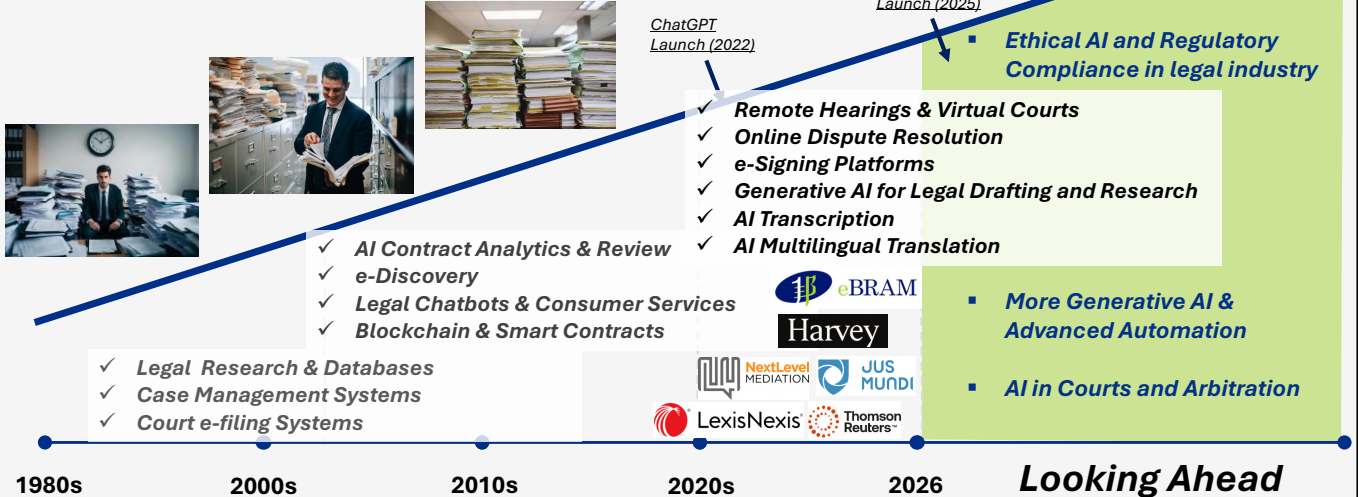
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about DMP



The Lawtech and AI Evolution:

Our generation has the privilege of driving the start of the AI era of our legal profession.

Growth of LawTech and AI



Source:

Westlaw <https://legal.thomsonreuters.com/en/westlaw>

Hong Kong Judiciary, electronic filing, https://www.judiciary.hk/en/e_courts/faq_e_filing.html

Kira Systems, AI-powered contract analysis, <https://www.litera.com/products/kira/gen-ai>

Relativity, e-Discovery software, <https://www.relativity.com/>

DoNotPay, Legal chatbot platform, <https://donotpay.com>

eBRAM, Deal-Making & ODR platform, <https://dealmaking.ebram.org> & https://www.ebram.org/apex_odr.html



Deal-Making Portal (DMP)



View DMP Video

An all-inclusive portal that facilitates cross-border transactions using advanced technologies to help business owners and corporations to identify and collaborate with potential business partners.

Utilizing blockchain Technology

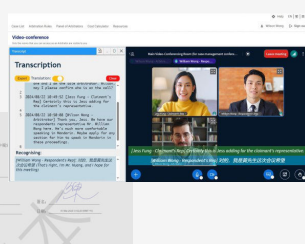
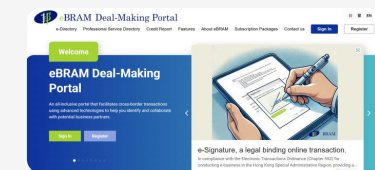
- ✓ Immutable data records
- ✓ Transparency
- ✓ Safety

Utilizing AI Technology

- ✓ Real-time translation and transcription on the Video Conferencing
- ✓ Documents Translation

Supporting business

- ✓ e-Directory helps enterprises to find a business partner
- ✓ GoGlobal eHub - support Mainland and Hong Kong enterprises expand global business
- ✓ e-Signature
- ✓ Deal Flow Management
- ✓ Contract Templates
- ✓ Secure Video Conferencing - provide real-time transcription and translation over 25 languages
- ✓ Credit Check & LEI Application
- ✓ Online Dispute Resolution

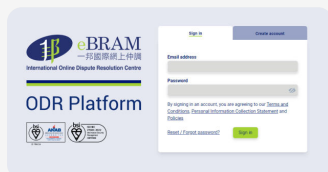




Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) Platform



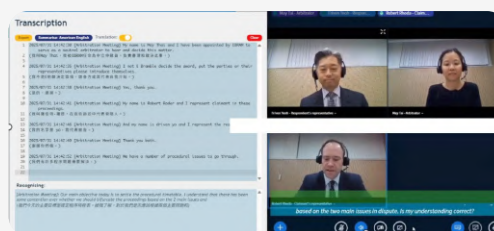
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- Qualified institution under the Interim Measures Arrangement between the Mainland and Hong Kong.
- A complete, end-to-end solution for claim submission, document handling, hearings, and final resolution.



- **Transcend geographical and language barriers**
 - Accessible to all parties, regardless of location – including commercial and investment disputes.
- **Efficient and cost-effective**
 - Expedited online mediation and arbitration
 - Costs ancillary to traditional dispute resolution proceedings (e.g. institutional costs, travel costs, LawTech costs, etc) may be reduced
- **Safe and secure platform**
 - Bank-grade security with data encryption, ISO27001 Information Security Management, etc

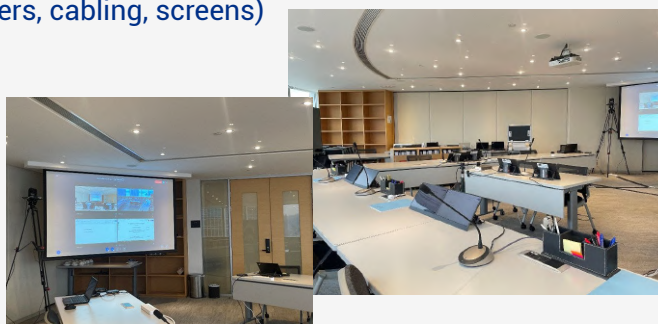


eBRAM Hearing Support Services

Institutions are embracing **digital hearings** and **electronic submissions**, reducing cost and delay while preserving due process. The integration of technology, virtual hearings, AI-assisted document handling and secure digital platforms has become standard rather than exceptional.

eBRAM's cost-efficient hearing support services:

- Real-time/human-polished Mandarin/English/Cantonese (and hybrid) transcription
- Technical equipment (e.g., connectors, adapters, cabling, screens)
- Video-conferencing facility
- Transcription
- Layout design
- Dedicated IT support





Key developments and Updates

MoU Signing Ceremony between eBRAM and VIAC in 2026

- ✓ Strengthening regional cooperation between Hong Kong and Vietnam.
- ✓ Commit to explore joint initiatives in capacity building, digital innovation, and cross-border dispute resolution, advancing the development of a more connected and technology-driven ODR ecosystem in Asia.



Launched GBA Online Dispute Resolution Platform in 2024

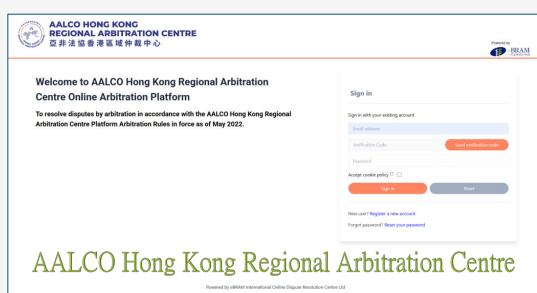
- ✓ eBRAM launched a collaboration platform for arbitration and mediation institutions in the Greater Bay Area's 9+2 city cluster.
- ✓ Enables arbitration and mediation institutions to conduct online negotiations, business cooperation, and online dispute resolution, promoting policy implementation and resource integration in the Greater Bay Area.
- ✓ In 2026, we hosted "GBA Online Dispute Resolution Collaboration Platform Development Forum", connecting 13 arbitration and mediation institutions across Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao to exchange views on platform collaboration mechanisms, rules alignment, legal technology applications and talent development, promoting the digitalisation and integrated development of dispute resolution services in the Greater Bay Area.



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GBA Research Report



eBRAM Provides Online Dispute Resolution Platforms for Various Arbitral and Mediation Institutions





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Deepening Institutional Innovation, Empowering Dispute Resolution

—— CIETAC's Institutional Development
& Practical Experience



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CIETAC at a Glance: Latest Developments



New Cases

5,736

Total new arbitration cases filed



Total Dispute Value

RMB 228.6 Billion

Year over year growth of
approximately 21%



Consistency

8th Consecutive Year

Exceeding RMB 100 billion
threshold



Core Position

Established in 1956

Providing world-class arbitration services



Cornerstone of Success

Continuous institutional innovation

Ongoing management optimization

CIETAC at a Glance: Internationalization Level

Foreign-related Cases

806

Total Cases Handled

¥88.075 B

Total Dispute Value (RMB)

Global Participation

97

Countries/Regions
Involved

77

Home Countries/Regions
of Parties



"These figures demonstrate CIETAC's truly global reach and its role as a preferred forum for resolving cross-border disputes."

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So how did this happen?

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Rule Modernization: Aligning with Global Best Practices



Core Initiative: The 10th Edition of the CIETAC Arbitration Rules (Effective January 1, 2024)



Kompetenz-Kompetenz

Empowers the arbitral tribunal to rule on its own jurisdiction after its constitution, fully aligning with leading international arbitration standards.

Early Dismissal

Permits early dismissal of claims that are clearly unmeritorious or outside the tribunal's jurisdiction, preventing unnecessary procedural delays.

Multi-contract Arbitration & Consolidation

Expands the grounds for consolidation to include "related subject-matter," significantly lowering procedural barriers for complex commercial disputes.

Embracing Digitalization

Establishes electronic service as the primary method and officially recognizes the validity of electronic signatures to keep pace with modern commerce.

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Rule Modernization: International Recognition



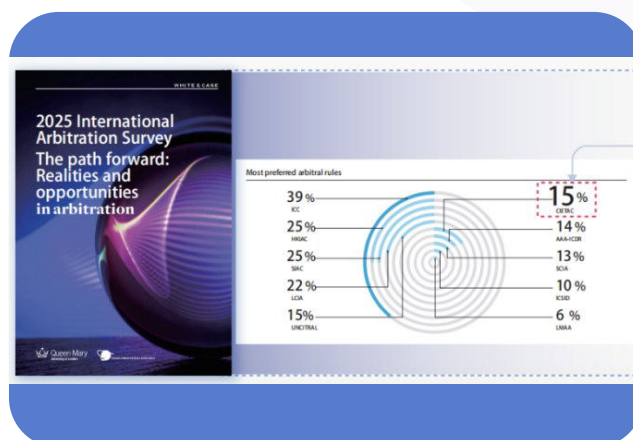
Data Source: 2025 International Arbitration Survey by Queen Mary University of London and White & Case

5th Most Popular Globally

CIETAC Arbitration Rules ranked with a **15%** first-choice rate

The Only Mainland China Institution

Ranked in the **Global Top 5** for both "Most Preferred Institution" AND "Most Preferred Rules"



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The “Oriental Experience”: Combining Arbitration with Mediation



A Unique Contribution

CIETAC was the **first institution** in the world to systematically integrate mediation into the arbitration process



The Model

- **Mechanism:** the parties’ explicit consent → suspend proceedings to facilitate mediation
- **Outcome:** a consent award/agreement or a seamless resumption of arbitration



Proven in Practice

- **Transparency:** informed consent and clear procedures
- **Value:** enhances dispute resolution efficiency + higher rates of party satisfaction.

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The “Oriental Experience”: International Promotion



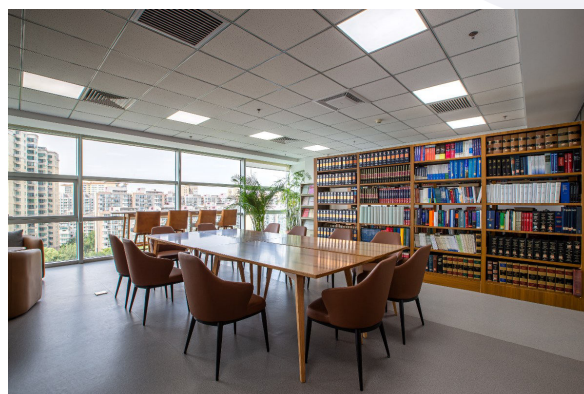
Sharing Best Practices

Exchanges experiences with institutions in Germany, the EU, and so on



A Successful Showcase

“Mediation in Arbitration: Sharing China-Germany Experiences”



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Professional Case Management: Integrating Diverse Legal Traditions



Internationally Recognized Tools

Procedural Orders | Questions Lists |
Timetables | Terms of Reference | Pre-
hearing Conferences | Redfern Schedules

Diverse Legal Practices

- Seamless integration of practices from **civil law**, **common law**, and mixed legal systems.
- Open to foreign experts and witnesses

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Pioneering AI Governance: First Guidelines in Asia-Pacific



A Milestone Release

July 18, 2025 | CIETAC
“Guidelines on the Use of
Artificial Intelligence in
Arbitration (for Trial
Implementation).”

The first normative guidance
on AI use issued by an arbitral
institution in China and the
entire Asia-Pacific region.



Three Core Principles

- Party Autonomy**
- Adjudication Support**
- Good Faith**

These pillars ensure that
technology aligns with the
fundamental values of
arbitration.



Core Position

AI cannot replace the
independent decision-
making function of the
arbitral tribunal.

Nor can it reduce parties’
obligations to submit
materials **truthfully** and
uphold procedural integrity.

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Efficiency & User Experience: Quality Case Management



Enhanced Efficiency

Through **Streamlined case flow management** | **IT systems** | **Time limit supervision**

In 2025, we concluded **6,003 cases**, a year-on-year increase of over 20%, while maintaining a high level of quality and handling a case load of over 4,000 pending cases.

Quality & Transparency

- Legal consistency and rigorous reasoning quality of arbitral awards
- Regular case publication mechanism
- The “Research & Resources” section on the official website

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Global Cooperation: Building an International Arbitration Ecosystem



Global Service Network

- Centered in Beijing
- 16 branches/arbitration centers and 30 liaison offices worldwide
- CIETAC China-Africa Hearing Center” and the “CIETAC ASEAN Hearing Center”

Flagship Events

- Hosting annual events: “China Arbitration Week” “China Arbitration Summit” and the “CIETAC Global Arbitrators’ Congress”
- In 2025, we successfully launched the inaugural “CIETAC Africa Arbitration Day” and organized a side event during the Singapore Convention Week.

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Global Cooperation: Cross-Border Enforcement



Widespread Enforcement

- According to preliminary statistics, in 2025, at least 16 arbitral awards were completely enforced in 10 countries, including the United States, the United Kingdom, Italy, Greece, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Indonesia, Uzbekistan, the Republic of Korea, and Pakistan, significantly enhancing the credibility of CIETAC and Chinese arbitration.

A Strong Testament

- This widespread enforcement powerfully demonstrates the vitality of international arbitration as a dispute resolution mechanism.
- It underscores the effectiveness of the New York Convention and the shared commitment of the global legal community to uphold the rule of law across borders, ensuring that justice is not confined by geography.

"A final award is only truly final when enforced."

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Conclusion: Strengthening Pragmatic Cooperation



Future Directions for Cooperation

Shared Practices

Exchange experiences in case management, digital tools, and quality control to ensure consistent standards of excellence.

Joint Research

Collaborate on emerging topics such as AI guidelines, innovative mediation models, and the future of dispute resolution.

Enhanced Interoperability

Promote assistance in evidence-taking, intelligence sharing on enforcement, and cross-jurisdictional arbitrator training.

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We appreciate your attention and look forward to your questions

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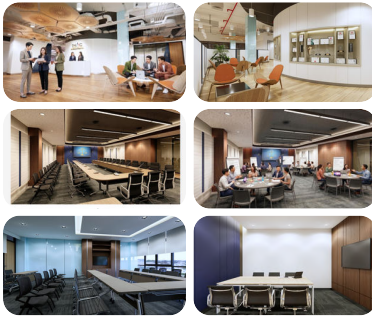
Fast Fair Resolution

THAC DEVELOPMENT

HARDWARE

Strengthening Infrastructure for Excellence

INFRASTRUCTURE



SOFTWARE

Driving Innovation with Technology & Procedures

TECHNOLOGY



PROCEDURES



PEOPLEWARE

Empowering people building capabilities

EXTERNAL Developing Arbitrators & Mediators



INTERNAL Developing THAC Team



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2nd – 4th September 2026

Bangkok, Thailand

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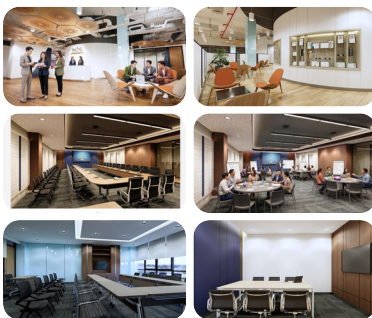
Fast Fair Resolution

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HARDWARE

Strengthening Infrastructure for Excellence

INFRASTRUCTURE



SOFTWARE

Driving Innovation with Technology & Procedures

TECHNOLOGY



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Empowering people building capabilities

EXTERNAL Developing Arbitrators & Mediators



INTERNAL Developing THAC Team



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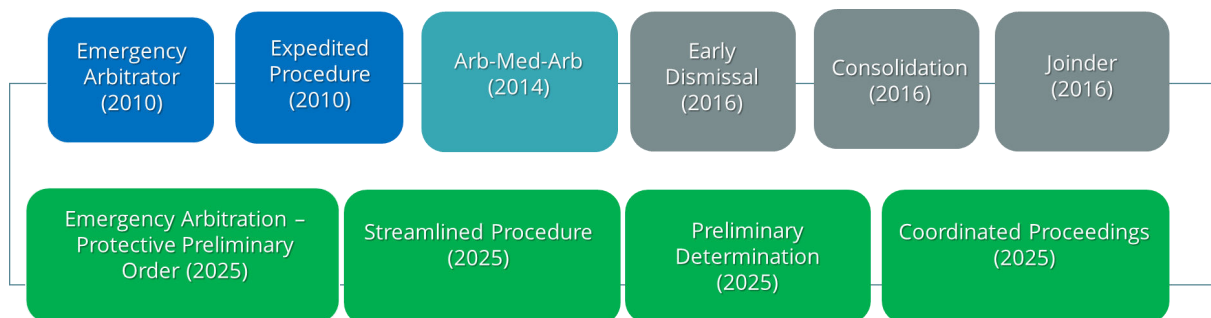
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SIAC Rules: Innovation and Key Procedural Tools



Applications Under SIAC Rules in 2025

Emergency Arbitrator (EA) Applications

19 in 2025 (18 accepted)	192 since 2010 (191 accepted)
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Protective Preliminary Order (PPO) Applications

4 in 2025 (1 accepted)

Expedited Procedure (EP) Applications

130 in 2025 (55 accepted)	1,169 since 2010 (667 accepted)
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Streamlined Procedure (SP)

60 proceeded under SP in 2025

Applications Under SIAC Rules in 2025

Consolidation Applications

107 in 2025 (66 granted)	640 since 2016 (437 granted)
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Joinder Applications

9 in 2025 (5 granted)	87 since 2016 (42 granted)
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Early Dismissal (ED) Applications

6 in 2025 (4 allowed to proceed under Rule 29.3 of SIAC Rules 2016)	84 since 2016 (44 allowed to proceed under Rule 29.3 of SIAC Rules 2016; 18 granted (9 in whole, 9 in part))
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Preliminary Determination (PD) Applications

4 in 2025 (3 allowed to proceed under Rule 46.3 of SIAC Rules 2025)

KCAB International - Arbitration under the 2026 KCAB International Rules

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KCAB International

KCAB International's commitment to offer World-Class Arbitration Services

Administration
of cases by
a dedicated and
responsive case
management team

- KCAB International Arbitration Rules
- KCAB International Mediation Rules
- Mediation pursuant to UNCITRAL Rules

Appointment
of Arbitrators &
Experts

- 668 arbitrators over 40 jurisdictions
- Extensive network with industry experts if any technical issues arise

Fund-Holding
Services

- For non-KCAB cases
- Fees & expenses on behalf of arbitrators and mediators
 - Holding & disbursing of funds

KCAB International Arbitration Court - Decisions



Efficiency and New Rules



Quality Control – Scrutiny of awards

Purpose	• To maximize legal effectiveness • To improve the quality and accuracy • To avoid setting aside
Which awards	• Partial, interim, consent, final, additional
Procedure	• First review by counsel • Second review by Secretary General • Final review by the Court (if referral)
Common issues that may affect the award	• Arbitral tribunal acted ultra petita/infra petita • Reasons not provided, sufficiency / consistency of reasoning • Errors in calculations, interest and costs • Due process • Dispositive

Time Control – time limits for awards

Regular Procedures (Article 39)	• Any draft award shall be submitted for scrutiny within 60 days from the date of the last hearing or the filing of the last directed written submission in respect of matters to be decided in the award. • Following scrutiny, the arbitral tribunal shall provide its signed award to the Secretariat within 15 days.
Expedited Procedures (Article 48)	• The award shall be made within 6 months from the date of the constitution of the arbitral tribunal • Any draft award shall be submitted for scrutiny within 30 days from the date on which the hearings are completed or the final submissions are made. • After scrutiny, the arbitral tribunal shall issue its signed award to the Secretariat within 10 days.
Fast-Track Procedures (Article 53)	• The award shall be made within 3 months from the date of the constitution of the arbitral tribunal • Any draft award shall be submitted for scrutiny within 15 days from the date on which the hearings are completed or the final submissions are made. • After scrutiny, the arbitral tribunal shall issue its signed award to the Secretariat within 5 days.



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ICC Updates on Institutional Developments

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ADR Week 2026

Ha Noi, 26 May 2026



ICC DRS Preliminary Statistics - 2025

- 2,389 parties from 141 countries
- 1,869 pending cases
- 881 cases filed under ICC rules and 13 under appointing authority rules
- 30,000th case under ICC Arbitration
- All economic sectors

Cases



- 123 cities across 70 Countries,
- Top 5 seats include Paris, London, New York, Singapore, and Geneva
- Singapore is the top seat in Asia

Seat



- USD 2,500 to USD 31 billion
- Average amount USD 50 million and median of USD 5 million.
- USD 299 billion - the aggregate amount in dispute for pending cases

Claims



In 2025:

- about **14%** of cases involved **States or State entities**.
- about **30%** of cases with **parties from the same countries**.
- **169** new cases administered under **expedited procedure**.

2026 Arbitration Rules

In force as from 1 June 2026



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the updates
and the
Arbitration
rules



Updates to the 2026 Arbitration Rules



Arbitrator independence
and impartiality



Terms of Reference (TOR)
are no longer mandatory



Emergency Arbitrator (EA)
& Expedited Procedure
Provisions (EPP)



Early Determination



Highly Expedited Arbitration
Procedure (HEAP)



Refinement of procedure

Thank you!

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ICC Commission on Arbitration & ADR Reports and Introduction to ICC Arbitration Rules 2026

- > ICC Report: Expedited Procedure Provisions – Eight Years On, ICC Toolkit for Arbitrators in Expedited Procedures, and ICC Expedited Procedure Provisions Factsheet: [Expedited Procedure Provisions - ICC - International Chamber of Commerce](#)
- > Unveiling of ICC Arbitration Rules 2026 series: [Rules and Procedures - ICC - International Chamber of Commerce](#)

More information on www.iccarbitration.org

- > Events, trainings & online learning
- > ICC Young Arbitration and ADR Forum (ICC YAAF)

ICC Digital Library <https://jusmundi.com/en/icc-dispute-resolution-library>

- > Material available upon both free access & subscription

VIAC'S RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE CONTEXT OF INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION DEVELOPMENT

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RECENT DEVELOPMENTS OF VIETNAM ARBITRATION JURISPRUDENCE

Arbitrability

Case law No.69/2023/AL Affirming disputes related to **Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs)** and **Non-Compete Agreements (NCAs)** are of a commercial nature and thus **arbitrable**.

Law on Electronic Transactions 2023: **Electronic contracts, electronic arbitration agreements, electronic notices of arbitration and electric arbitral awards** are legally recognized as having the same validity and enforceability as their physical (paper-based, printed documents) forms and the corresponding dispute resolution mechanisms are also electronic ones

Law on E-Commerce (amended) 2025: Detailed rules on offer, acceptance, time of formation, and platform obligations (Art. 8-17), especially relevant for **clickwrap arbitration clauses**. Reinforces responsibility of **platform owners to handle disputes, protect consumers**, and support **state authorities** (Art. 22, 31-33), creating stronger institutional support for **arbitration & ODR**.

Law on Land 2024 – Article 236(5): The 2024 Land Law officially **recognizes the arbitrability of commercial disputes related to** land disputes and clarify the exclusive jurisdiction of Vietnamese institutions on those disputes

Court's support and supervision

Resolution No.81/2025/UBTVQH15 Effective from 1 July 2025, **only 3 provincial-level People's Courts are authorized to handle requests for setting aside arbitral awards:** Hanoi, Da Nang, Ho Chi Minh .

Promotion of arbitration in Vietnam

Law on Construction 2025 – Art. 86 Recognises multiple dispute resolution methods: **Negotiation, ADR/International models, Arbitration OR Court**. Implicit recognition of international mechanisms (DB, DAB, DAAB), aligning with the **FIDIC framework**. Dispute resolution is now **"built into contract governance"**, no longer an afterthought.

Law on Public-Private Partnership: Recognises multiple dispute resolution methods: **Negotiation, Mediation, Arbitration OR Court**. Specify jurisdiction of Vietnamese arbitration and Vietnamese Court in resolving dispute with Vietnamese investors

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VIETNAM CONTEXT

VIETNAM IN MOTION



Capital Mobilization

Public investment USD 139 bn (2021–2025), +55% vs prior term. Social investment ~33% of GDP, targeting 40% in 2026 — among the highest in SEA.



Mega-Project Pipeline

250+ major projects worth USD 49 bn launched Aug 2025. Long Thanh Airport, Lao Cai–Hanoi–Haiphong railway (USD 7.7 bn), North–South HSR.



Institutional Reform

Provinces consolidated 63 → 34 (1 July 2025); two-tier governance; sweeping decentralization; ongoing economic digitalization.



Trade & Finance Hub

International Financial Centre (IFC) launched in HCMC & Da Nang (Dec 2025) — with a built-in specialized court and international arbitration centre.

IMPLICATION FOR ADR

Not just where deals happen — *where disputes get resolved.*



Judicial & Arbitration Reform

Vietnam Lawyers' Association has been actively not only focusing on the amendment of Law on Commercial Arbitration but also promoting the legal environment and institutional mechanism necessary for arbitration to thrive, aligning with developed seats.



ADR-First Strategy

Policy preference for arbitration & ADR baked into new laws (Construction 2025, Land 2024, e-Transactions); IFC includes a dedicated international arbitration centre.



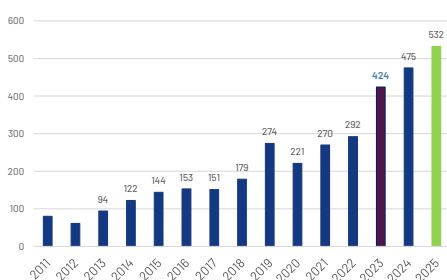
Viable Seat & Preferred Venue

Ideal geographic position in ASEAN, strong commercial ties across Asia-Pacific, modernised legal framework — the building blocks of a viable arbitral seat and promising preferred venue.

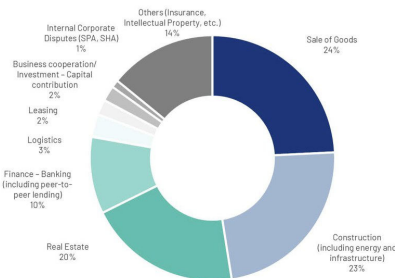
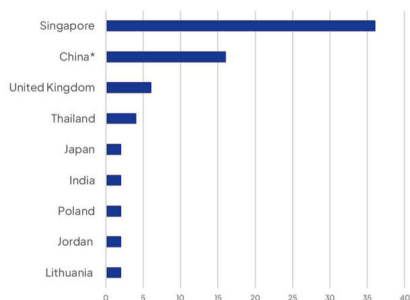
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ARBITRATION AT VIETNAM INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CENTRE (VIAC)

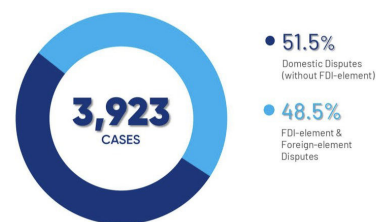
VIAC's Caseload (2011 – 2025)



Top 10 Foreign Nationalities of Disputing parties in 2025



Properties of Disputing Parties (1993 – 2025)



318

CASES
completed within 2025

264

ARBITRAL AWARDS
issued within 2025

340

MEETINGS & HEARINGS
conducted in various formats (virtual/in-person/hybrid, etc.)

26

PRELIMINARY HEARING SESSIONS
conducted within 2025

81

CASES
conducted in foreign language (English, Japanese, Chinese, etc.)

1,230

SELECTIONS/ APPOINTMENTS OF ARBITRATORS
within 2025

97

ARBITRATORS*
*Non-listed arbitrators being appointed within 2025

21

ARBITRATORS**
**Vietnamese nationals under the age of 45 being appointed within 2025

08

ARBITRATORS
resigned upon a request for replacement

VIAC's Key Innovation/Renovation

PROCEDURAL INNOVATION

(enhance the integrity and transparency of arbitration proceeding)

- Specify arbitrator criteria
- Third-party funding

COMPLEX PROCEDURAL MATTERS

(tackle complex procedural matters)

- Multiple contracts
- Consolidation
- Joinder
- Expedited proceeding

CODIFY EFFICIENT PROCEDURAL TOOLS

(to reduce time & costs and facilitate the Tribunal in managing the Case)

- Case Management Conference
- Administrative conference
- Arb-Med protocols



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