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International Law's Advanced Course in

Hong Kong - 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition

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## **Judgments Convention**

The second edition of The Hague Academy of International Law's Advanced Courses in Hong Kong, organised in cooperation with the Asian Academy of International Law (AAIL) will take place from 2 to 6 December 2024, with a focus on one of the key features of private international law, namely 'Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgments in Civil or Commercial Matters'.

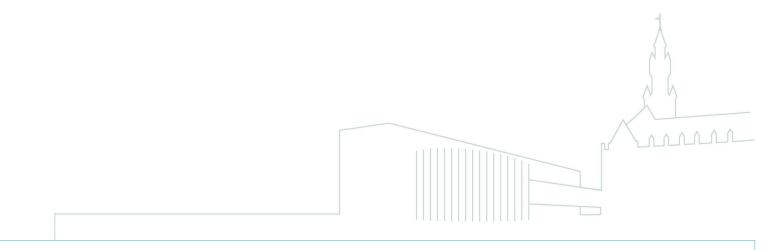




## **REGISTRATION FEE: HK\$10,000**

(inclusive of programme, daily refreshment and lunch)

- Limited seats for in-person participation only
- Language: English
- Enquiries: events@aail.org



## **PROGRAMME**

TIME / DATE	2 DECEMBER MONDAY	3 DECEMBER TUESDAY	4 DECEMBER WEDNESDAY	5 DECEMBER THURSDAY	6 DECEMBER FRIDAY
09:00   10:00	OPENING REMARKS  Professor Jean-Marc Thouvenin  Mr Lam Ting-kwok Paul SBS SC JP	LECTURE 3 (I): Public policy as a limit to enforcement and recognition	LECTURE 5: Jurisdictional filters I: General concept; residence and choice of court	LECTURE 6:  Judgments that ruled on preliminary questions outside the scope of the Convention and judgments that consist of severable parts	LECTURE 7: Jurisdictional filters II: Contract, tort, forum rei sitae
10:00   12:00	[10:00 – 13:00]  LECTURE 1:  Recognition and enforcement of foreign decisions; general presentation	Professor Giuditta Cordero-Moss	Professor Matthias Weller	Professor Pietro Franzina	Professor Matthias Weller
12:00   14:00	Ms Teresa Cheng GBM GBS SC JP	[13:30 – 16:30]	[13:30 – 16:30]		
		LECTURE 4 (I): Unfolding the 2019	LECTURE 3 (II): Public policy as a limit		
14:00   17:00	Contemporary approaches to the recognition and	Genesis, ratifications, scope, key provisions, and China's perspective on international recognition and enforcement	to enforcement and recognition  Professor Giuditta Cordero-Moss	LECTURE 4 (II): Unfolding the 2019 Hague Convention: Genesis, ratifications, scope, key provisions, and China's perspective on international recognition	LECTURE 8: Arts. 22 and 25 of the HCCH Judgment Convention
		3		and enforcement Judge Shen Hongyu	Ms Teresa Cheng GBM GBS SC JP
17:00   18:00		SPECIAL LECTURE (I): Crypto Currency and International Law	SPECIAL LECTURE (II): Crypto Currency and International Law		
. 3.00		Professor Matthias Lehmann	Professor Matthias Lehmann		



(Listed in order of appearance)



Jean-Marc THOUVENIN
Secretary-General
The Hague Academy of International Law

Professor Thouvenin is Secretary-General of The Hague Academy of International Law since 2017, and Associate Member of the Institut de droit international since 2019. He teaches at the Université Paris-Nanterre. He is member of the Board and former Secretary-General of the French Society for International Law and former Director of the Center for International Law of his University. He is a member of the American Society of International Law and International Law Association. He is a member of the editorial board of different law reviews, including *Annuaire Français de Droit International*. Also, as a Partner in the Law Firm SYGNA PARTNERS, he has appeared as counsel and advocate in a number of cases before the International Court of Justice, the ITLOS (International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea), the PCA (Permanent Court of Arbitration), the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, and the European Court of Justice.



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 & Co-Chairman Asian Academy of International Law

Teresa Cheng is a Senior Counsel, Chartered Engineer, Chartered Arbitrator and Mediator, with a distinguished record of public service in the Hong Kong 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 is an Adjunct Professor as well as the Course Director.



## Pietro FRANZINA Professor of International Law & Director of the Institute of International Studies Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Italy

Professor Franzina is Professor of International Law and Director of the Institute of International Studies, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart in Milan, Italy, teaching private international law and the law of international commercial arbitration there. He has published more than 200 articles, book chapters, and encyclopedia entries, dealing, *inter alia*, with international contracts and torts, cross-border family relations and successions. He wrote two monographs and a textbook. He is the editor of several collections of essays and the co-author of studies commissioned by the European Parliament and the European Commission. In 2021 he gave a special course at The Hague Academy of International Law, on the time factor in private international law. He took part as a delegate of Italy in the diplomatic session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law which resulted in the adoption of the Judgments Convention of 2 July 2019. He further represented Italy in two Working Groups and two Special Commissions in the framework of the Hague Conference. He is one of the founding members of the European Association of Private International Law and serves as the Deputy Secretary General of the Association.



**Giuditta CORDERO-MOSS** Professor University of Oslo, Norway

Giuditta Cordero-Moss, Dr Juris (Oslo), Ph.D. (Moscow), is a professor at the Law Faculty of the University of Oslo, where she teaches International Commercial Law, Private International Law, Comparative Law and Norwegian Law of Obligations. An originally Italian lawyer, she was a corporate lawyer for years before joining the academia, where she researches the issues that she had met in her practice and meets as an arbitrator. She publishes in Norway and internationally and is often invited to lecture internationally. She gave special lectures at The Hague Academy of International Law in 2014, and was the co-director of the Academy's Centre for Studies and Research on arbitration and the applicable law (2021). She is the president of the International Academy of Comparative Law (2022–2026), and a member of the Curatorium of The Hague Academy of International Law (2019–2024); International Court of Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (2018–2024); UNCITRAL Working Group II on Arbitration (since 2007); Norwegian Governmental Tariff Board (2015–2027); Board of the Financial Supervisory Authority of Norway (Vice Chairman, 2014–2026); Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters (since 2016); European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Administrative Tribunal (President (2017–2020) and Judge (2007–2020)).



SHEN Hongyu Chief Judge of the Fourth Civil Division The Supreme People's Court of the People's Republic of China

Since August 1995, Judge Shen has worked successively in the Bureau of Justice of Jiaxing of Zhejiang Province, Shenzhen Intermediate People's Court of Guangdong Province, the Fourth Civil Division and the Intellectual Property Court of the Supreme People's Court (SPC). She was appointed as judge of the SPC in August 2015. In June 2020, Judge Shen was appointed as the Deputy Chief Judge of the Fourth Civil Division of the SPC. In October 2023, she became the Chief Judge of the Fourth Civil Division of the SPC. On 18 June 2021, she was appointed as judge of the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organization by the General Conference of the International Labour Organization for a term from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2026. Judge Shen holds a Ph.D. degree in law. She studied at The University of Hong Kong and was a visiting scholar at Columbia University, US.



Matthias LEHMANN
Professor
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Matthias Lehmann is a Professor of Private Law, Private International and Comparative Law at the University of Vienna, as well as a Professor of European and Comparative Business Law at Radboud University. He has studied in Jena, Paris, and New York. He holds two doctoral degrees, one from the University of Jena and one from Columbia University, and has written a habilitation (second thesis) at the University of Bayreuth. His main interests lie in private international law, comparative law, dispute resolution, as well as banking and financial law. He has published extensively on these subjects in English, German, French and Spanish in internationally renowned journals, and has written and edited various books. Matthias is regularly a guest professor at the Sorbonne University (France), the University of Fribourg (Switzerland) and the Universidad Pablo de Olavide (Spain). He has taught courses on comparative law and a special course on the crypto economy at The Hague Academy of International Law. Matthias is a member of various professional bodies and has been visiting Oxford University, London School of Economics and Political Science, Stanford University, and the National University of Singapore. Matthias has participated in the European Commission's Expert Group on Conflict of Laws Regarding Securities and Claims as well as various UNIDROIT Working Groups, inter alia on Digital Assets and Private Law.



Matthias WELLER

Professor of Law & Director of the Institute for German and International Civil Procedural Law
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Professor Weller is the Alfried Krupp von Bohlen und-Halbach Professor for civil law, art and cultural property law and the Director of the Institute of German and International Civil Procedure Law in Bonn. He received his legal education at the Universities of Heidelberg and Cambridge, UK. He was the annual Joseph Story Fellow of Private International Law at the Harvard Law School in 1999 and worked with Joseph Story Professor Arthur von Mehren. From 2002 to 2010, he was a Research Fellow at the Institute for Comparative Law, Conflict of Laws and International Business Law at the University of Heidelberg. His prize-winning Ph.D. thesis, supervised by Erik Jayme, focused on the public policy control of international choice of forum agreements. He obtained his habilitation in 2011 and was called to the chair for civil law, civil procedure and private international law at the EBS Law School. Since 2014, he had acted as the Vice Dean there. In 2018, he was called to the University of Bonn. In 2019, he delivered a special course for The Hague Academy of International Law. In 2023, he contributed to the first edition of The Hague Academy's Advanced Courses in Hong Kong on Current Trends on International Commercial and Investment Dispute Settlement. In 2024, he completed a five-year research project, funded by the Federal German Government, to establish an international 'Restatement of Restitution Rules for Nazi-Confiscated Art'. In this context, he was also commissioned by the German Government to submit a comparative study on the reform of the German restitution process. Weller produced more than 250 publications and delivered nearly 150 presentations on private law, private international law, international civil litigation, arbitration, transnational commercial law as well as art and cultural property law. He has gained extensive experience as a legal expert witness, including cross examination, in international civil litigation (e.g. US class action; NL IP litigations, insolvency) and arbitration (e.g. corruption, defense industry, automotive), as well as for political and cultural institutions (e.g. European Parliament; German Government; Dutch Government, Israeli Government, leading museums in the US, UK, Australia and Germany). He is also acting as arbitrator, in particular in cross-border disputes.

