



# ABCs of LawTech, ODR Platform and Generative AI and positive impact on access to justice and increasing economic developments



## The benefits of the APEC ODR Framework for resolving cross-border disputes and how to use the APEC ODR Rules

**Date:**

27 June 2023

**Time:**

8:45am – 11:30am

**Mode:**

Zoom

On 4 May 2023, the Department of Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and the Supreme Court of Brunei Darussalam signed a Memorandum of Cooperation to strengthen co-operation on issues relating to dispute avoidance and resolution. Under the “One Country, Two Systems”, Hong Kong is the only common law jurisdiction within China, and is in a unique position to serve as a gateway to the vast opportunities under the Belt and Road Initiative and the Outline Development Plan for Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Attendees joining this seminar will gain more insights on Hong Kong’s latest developments in LawTech in advancing access to justice with the use of AI, Blockchain and Cloud, and there will also be a discussion on Generative AI (e.g. ChatGPT). Attendees will also learn about the APEC Collaborative Framework for Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) for Cross-Border B2B Disputes (APEC Framework) and the corresponding eBRAM APEC Rules, which encourage the use of ODR to resolve cross-border commercial disputes. Come and find out from AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre and eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre how you may utilize their services including their ODR Platforms to facilitate international trade, digital commerce and dispute resolution in China, Hong Kong, Asia and beyond.



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Chief Justice  
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**Jacob Sin**

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# PROGRAMME

8.45 am - 9.00 am	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dato Seri Paduka Steven Chong Wan Oon Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Brunei Darussalam</li><li>• Mr Paul Lam, SBS, SC, JP Secretary for Justice, Department of Justice, The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region</li></ul>
9.00 am - 10.00 am	Presentation: ABCs of LawTech, ODR Platform and Generative AI and positive impact on access to justice and increasing economic developments <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Nick Chan Hiu-Fung, MH, JP Director, AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre</li></ul>
10.00 am - 10.10 am	Q&A
10.10 am - 10.20 am	Break
10.20 am - 11.20 am	Presentation: The benefits of the APEC ODR Framework for resolving cross-border disputes and how to use the APEC ODR Rules <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr Jacob Sin ODR Director, eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre</li></ul>
11.20 am - 11.30 am	Q&A
11.30 am	End of event

**AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre (AALCO-HKRAC)** promotes the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution, Online Dispute Resolution and effective enforcement of decision and awards. AALCO-HKRAC is well placed to facilitate deals and resolve disputes in both traditional and "new" settings including but not limited to G2B, B2B, B2C, O2O, e-commerce, NFT projects, ArtTEch, PropTech, ESG, Meta-verse, Open-verse and many other amazing new developments and opportunities. Nick CHAN Hiu-Fung who leads the centre is a lawyer, lawmaker and arbitrator with computer science background who served as founding Chairman of eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre, the Legal Cloud, ODR Platform and other tech developments. He teaches at universities and have decades of experience in international law firm, and serves on many advisory boards.

**eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre (eBRAM)** is a not-for-profit arbitration and mediation institution integrating Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) technology. The objective of eBRAM's institutional services and ODR platforms are to reduce the overhead in managing cases and the friction caused by traditional administrative procedures. eBRAM is the only ODR Provider listed under the APEC Collaborative Framework for ODR of Cross-Border B2B Disputes from Hong Kong and one of seven qualified institutions (under the "Arrangement Concerning Mutual Assistance in Court-ordered Interim Measures in Aid of Arbitral Proceedings" between Mainland and Hong Kong Courts) eligible to apply to Mainland courts for interim measures. Aside from serving as an arbitration and mediation institution, eBRAM also provides LawTech solutions for legal and dispute resolution practitioners through its Hong Kong Legal Cloud service. eBRAM will also soon launch a deal making platform designed to use LawTech to facilitate cross-border transactions and encourage dispute avoidance.



## **Nick Chan Hiu-Fung, MH, JP**

Director

AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre

Nick Chan Hiu-Fung, MH, JP, the Director leading the operations of AALCO Hong Kong Regional Arbitration Centre, is a lawyer with a computer science background and a Partner at international law firm Squire Patton Boggs. Intergovernmental organization AALCO serves as an important forum for member states to speak for two-thirds of the world's population in deliberating on international law matters that are of common concern. The United Nations recognizes the role and influence of AALCO with a permanent observer seat. The new regional centre, complementing the five existing centres in Asia and Africa, will deploy cutting-edge 'anytime, anywhere, any device' Online Disputes Resolution platform and technology to present great opportunities and tackle challenges. In 2021, the combined GDPs of the AALCO member countries exceeded US\$26 trillion. As the founding Chairman of eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre, Mr. Chan attended and spoke at APEC Economic Committee's Osaka "Workshop on Building the APEC Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) Collaborative Framework Pilot" to help together develop / complete an implementation plan for a pilot for an APEC ODR Collaborative Framework for B2B cross border disputes involving Micro Small Medium Enterprise including resolving any outstanding issues concerning the Collaborative Framework/Procedural Rules, addressing administrative details, and identifying prospective ODR providers who would partner with APEC.



## **Mr Jacob Sin**

ODR Director

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Jacob is the ODR Director of eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre Limited. He coordinates efforts at eBRAM to make dispute resolution more accessible to all by drawing upon his experience in ADR (alternative dispute resolution) and his knowledge in technology. Prior to joining eBRAM, Jacob was a member of a leading international law firm for seven years. He was part of its international arbitration practice. He was also a core member of its Digital Law Group.