



Seminar on Mediating Financial Disputes

Organized by CPD & Member Services Committee (CPDMSC)

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The mediation of financial disputes has received increased attention following the Lehman mini bond crisis in Hong Kong. Subsequent development of institutional infrastructure to support financial mediation has provided parties with avenues of redress in the region.

This seminar will cover the unique characteristics of financial mediation and review key skills necessary for resolution. Following lecture, group discussion, and activities, participants will have the opportunity to engage in a simulated financial mediation role play to practice relevant skills.

➤ CPD Points Granted:

HKMC: 1.5 points; HKMAAL: 1.5 points;

➤ Guest Speaker

Dr. Shahla ALI

Dr. Shahla Ali specializes in the resolution of cross-border commercial disputes in the Asia Pacific region. She has over 10 years of experience in commercial arbitration, mediation, negotiation, contract law, and IP dispute resolution. She currently works as an Associate Professor and Deputy Head of the Department of Law and Deputy Director of the LLM in Arbitration and Dispute Resolution in the Faculty of Law at the University of Hong Kong and Principal at Resolve Consulting. Shahla is the author of *Consumer Financial Dispute Resolution in a Comparative Context* (Cambridge University Press); *International Commercial Arbitration in Asia* (Juris) and *Resolving Disputes in the Asia Pacific* (Routledge) and writes frequently for law journals in the area of comparative dispute system design drawing on empirical and comparative methods.

Shahla is a bilingual arbitrator (English/Chinese) with FINRA, HKIAC (ADNDRC), SCIA, a conciliator with WTC Macau and a mediator with the HKMC, HKMAAL and the HK Building and Lands Tribunal. She has studied and practiced in China, Hong Kong SAR, Israel, the US and Switzerland and speaks English, Chinese and Farsi. She is qualified to practice law in California.

Prior to moving to Hong Kong, Shahla was an attorney with Baker & McKenzie, LLP where she focused on international trade, corporate transactions and regulatory compliance. She received her JD and PhD from UC Berkeley in Jurisprudence and Social Policy, her MA in Conflict Resolution from Landegg University and BA in International Relations and Chinese Language from Stanford University. She has conducted mediation and collaborative negotiation trainings in both the private and public sector for managers as well as UN staff.

➤ **Host**

Mr. Alfred Chan

Vice-President of Hong Kong Mediation Centre
Co Chairperson of CPD and Member Services Committee
Co Chairperson of Disciplinary Committee

Date and Time:	29th October 2015 (Thursday), 7:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Registration Time:	6:45 p.m.
Venue:	Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups Building, 10/F, Room 1001-3, 21 Pak Fuk Road, North Point (Quarry Bay MTR Station – Exit C) 香港北角百福道 21 號 香港青年協會大廈 10 樓 1001 至 1003 室 (鰂魚涌港鐵站 C 出口) Please find the attached map for your reference.
Target Audience:	Panel Members / Associate Members / Non-members
Language:	English
Fee:	Panel Members: HK\$100 Associate Members: HK\$150 Non-members: HK\$200
Payment Method:	1) Crossed-cheque: Payable to “Hong Kong Mediation Centre Limited” and send it to “21/F., Success Commercial Building, 245-251 Hennessy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong”. Please write down your Full Name and Membership Number at the back of the cheque; OR 2) Bank transfer: Please provide Bank-in Slip and state your Full Name and Membership Number. Bank Name: The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd (HSBC) Bank Account Name: Hong Kong Mediation Centre Limited Bank Account Number: 162-242226-001
Registration Period:	on or before 21st October 2015
Enquires:	Please contact Ms. Kayley Wong Tel: 3620 3076 Email: membership@mediationcentre.org.hk

➤ **Registration Method**

Please complete the registration form via the link below:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/14Q_9svR4f5t80l3gag2sSrNdZLibHIm18RN5CLmAqCQ/vie/wform?usp=send_form

Remarks:

- A. *Places will be allocated on first-come-first-served basis.*
- B. *Registration must be made by returning the completed registration form via google link on or before 21st October 2015 and sending the crossed-cheque or copy of the bank-in slip to HKMC on or before 22nd October 2015. Confirmation will be notified by email upon successful registration on or before 23rd October 2015.*
- C. *If you do not receive any email confirmation from the Secretariat on or before 23rd October 2015, your name will be on the waiting list. Your submitted cheque will be voided subsequently by the Secretariat if you have not been assigned a place in the captioned event. If your application fee was made by bank transfer, a cheque will be issued to you as the refund of the payment.*
- D. *Participant must sign in and sign out. CPD Certificate will be issued at the end of the event. **Participants who are late for more than 20 minutes or leave earlier will not be qualified for the completion of HKMC's CPD Points and NO Certificate will be issued.***
- E. *If you are not able to attend the captioned event after the receipt of the confirmation email, you are required to inform the Secretariat as soon as you are aware of unavailability on / before the event date **by email**. **No refund will be made after confirmation.***
- F. *HKMC reserves the right to accept/reject the registration.*
- G. *If typhoon signal no.8 or black rainstorm warning signal is hoisted and not lowered by 4pm, the event will be postponed or cancelled. Rescheduled date/time/venue will be announced in due course.*
- H. *The event is subject to change at any time without liability.*