

LAWASIA *Bulletin*

The LAWASIA Bulletin is a regular e-newsletter that informs members of forthcoming events and issues of interest. We urge members to visit the LAWASIA website www.lawasia.asn.au

Updates in Legal Professional Indemnity Insurance



26-27 August 2010

Join us for the 2nd **LAWASIA Updates in Legal Professional Indemnity Insurance** event.

The conference follows the successful inaugural LAWASIA Legal PII conference held at the Gold Coast, Australia in 2008. Again the conference is expected to attract scheme and law society representatives, insurers, reinsurers, claims solicitors and others from a wide range of jurisdictions.

Attendees will benefit from the topical papers focused on the experience of colleagues in the region and beyond, with a number of representatives presenting country/area overviews. A number of other topics relevant to this niche area of law will also be discussed with day two including panel sessions on risk management, claims management and regulatory issues.

LAWASIA looks forwards to welcoming speakers and delegates to this important event and trusts the discussion will be as fruitful and productive as the last event.

Please visit the Conference website for more information

7th LAWASIA Labour Law Conference 17-18 September 2010



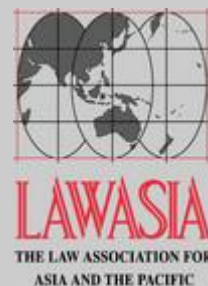
The LAWASIA Labour Law conference is scheduled to take place in Hong Kong on 17-18 September 2010, hosted by the Law Society of Hong Kong.

Session focuses will include the employment law rights of migrant workers including illegal migrants; practical difficulties in litigating employment issues; and China's new labour laws.



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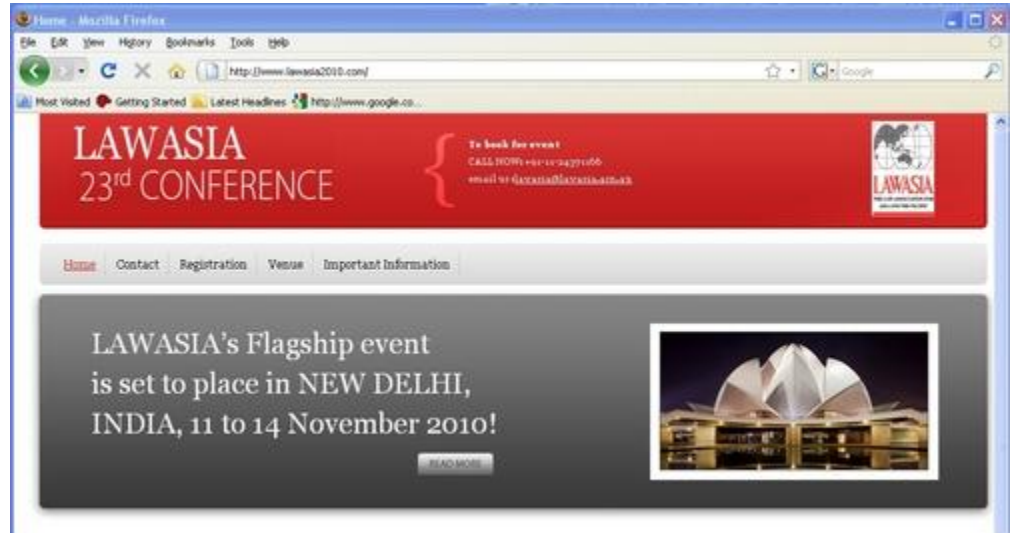
23rd LAWASIA Conference

11-14 November 2010

The flagship LAWASIA event will be hosted and supported by the Bar Association of India. This will be an especially important occasion with 2009/2010 making the golden jubilee for the BAI and celebrations are scheduled to take place during the LAWASIA conference.

The work program and speaker line-up is expected to be better than ever with a number of successful sessions from last year to be revisited along with other multidisciplinary topics of interest in the profession.

LAWASIA's legal luminaries and top professionals will deliver papers examining industry best practices and exploring the unique challenges faced by the legal profession in the Asia Pacific region.



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On the drawing board

Privacy Law Conference; Brisbane, Australia; dates to be advised

Check the website for updates.... www.lawasia.asn.au

LAWASIA News

News from the ExCo Meeting in Cambodia

The LAWASIA Executive Committee (ExCo) met in Phnom Penh in May, using the opportunity to deliver a well-attended seminar on professional issues to Cambodian lawyers.

The LAWASIA meeting was an historic one, the first held in Cambodia in 44 years of LAWASIA history and allowed for valuable interaction with the Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia, LAWASIA's newest member organisation. With the LAWASIA ExCo comprised of office-bearers at national member organisations in Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Nepal, Hong Kong SAR, Korea, Fiji, Sri Lanka, India, Malaysia and Japan, its members were both well-placed and keen to deliver the Cambodian seminar that provided cross-jurisdictional views and experiences of topics such as discipline of the profession, legal education, ethics, pro bono practice, independence of the bar and the role of lawyers in judicial reform.

It was pleasing to ExCo that this seminar was a practical demonstration of LAWASIA's focus on providing support to developing bars as a first but vital step in encouraging adherence to rule of law as a uniformly-valued norm for the region.

LAWASIA welcomes new member organisation

LAWASIA is proud to welcome to its ranks our newest member organisation, the Vietnam Bar Federation (VBF). The VBF was established in May 2009 and is the country's national organisation for all practising lawyers in Vietnam. The VBF will be the pre-dominant organisation and will represent Vietnam of the LAWASIA council.

President of the Law Society of Singapore appointed Chief Justice of DIFC Courts

LAWASIA extends congratulations to Chief Justice Michael Hwang, SC, President of the Law Society of Singapore, who has recently been appointed Chief Justice of the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Courts. Chief Justice Hwang has an extensive record of legal service exemplified by his 1992 appointment as one of the first 12 Senior Counsel (SC) of the Supreme Court of Singapore. He previously served as Deputy Chief Justice of the DIFC Courts from April 1995 and prior to his appointment to the DIFC Courts as Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Singapore. He also has extensive experience in private practice as a former partner of Allen & Gledhill and more recently as a renowned barrister and arbitrator.

The DIFC Courts deal exclusively with all cases and claims arising out of the DIFC and its operations. The DIFC laws allow for any institution operating within the DIFC to select a legal jurisdiction of its choice, other than the DIFC, when entering into contracts. The aim of the DIFC Courts is to provide certainty, flexibility and efficiency for the global institutions operating within the DIFC.

Other legal conferences



Managing Risks in International Operations

Date: 8 July 2010 - 8:30am - 8 July 2010 - 1:00pm

Location: Common Room, Chancery Lane

Event Type: Seminar/Conference: ticket

Enquiry Email Address: Anne.Wittman@lawsociety.org.uk



This seminar will bring together leading practitioners in the area of business and human rights to discuss the emerging norms in international corporate practice.

World Masters of Law Firm Management



1:30pm - 5:00pm

Thursday 19 August 2010

Four Seasons Hotel
199 George Street
Sydney

The World Masters of Law Firm Management seminar is an invaluable event that provides managers with effective strategies to promote growth and development in law practice. Click [here](#) for more information.