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"Justice, Reform, and Resilience: Towards a Global Legal Future"

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OVERVIEW



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WORLD JUDICIAL INTEGRITY FORUM (WJIF) 2026

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INTRODUCTION

Judicial integrity remains the foundation of national stability, economic confidence, and public trust. Across Asia, courts are increasingly required to address cross-border commercial disputes, the digital transformation of judicial processes, corporate restructuring and evolving governance expectations, while safeguarding independence, transparency and accountability. In this evolving regional environment, strengthening judicial leadership and institutional resilience has become both a national imperative and a shared priority across Asia.

In recognition of these developments, the **World Judicial Integrity Forum (WJIF) 2026**, organised by the **International Strategy Institute (ISI), Malaysia**, and **co-hosted by Rangsit University (RSU), Bangkok, Thailand**, will be held on **13th May 2026** at **Rangsit University, Bangkok, Thailand**, under the theme **"Justice, Reform, and Resilience: Towards a Global Legal Future"**. Thailand has been selected as the host for WJIF 2026, forming part of a broader Asia-focused platform to encourage meaningful engagement across diverse judicial systems throughout the region.

As a Malaysia-based independent policy institute, ISI has consistently promoted discussions on governance, institutional integrity and sustainable reform through its international platforms. Through WJIF 2026, Malaysia continues to facilitate structured judicial exchange at the Asian level, recognising that although countries across Asia share commitments to the rule of law and constitutional governance, each operates within distinct legal traditions, procedural frameworks and reform priorities. These differences, alongside shared objectives, create a strong foundation for comparative learning and professional exchange.

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The choice of Bangkok reflects both strategic and practical considerations. Malaysia and Thailand maintain longstanding diplomatic relations and strong economic connectivity, supported by active cross-border trade and regional cooperation. At the same time, Thailand's position as a regional hub and its accessibility within Asia make Bangkok a suitable venue for convening judicial representatives from East Asia, Southeast Asia and South Asia. Hosting the Forum at Rangsit University further reinforces collaboration between judicial institutions and academia, highlighting the importance of research, legal education and policy development in strengthening judicial systems.

WJIF 2026 will bring together Chief Justices, senior judges, court administrators, legal scholars and policymakers from across Asia to examine key themes including judicial independence, court modernisation, corporate insolvency frameworks and regional legal cooperation. By expanding participation beyond a single regional grouping, the Forum seeks to promote broader Asian engagement in addressing common judicial challenges.

Through professional exchange and focused discussion, WJIF 2026 aims to enhance transparency, improve judicial efficiency, strengthen institutional credibility, and cultivate long-term collaboration among Asian legal systems. By launching this Malaysia-led initiative in Bangkok, the World Judicial Integrity Forum 2026 shared a commitment to advancing justice, reform and resilience across diverse yet interconnected legal frameworks.

OBJECTIVE

STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL AWARENESS ACROSS ASIA:

WJIF 2026 aims to reinforce awareness of the judiciary's central role in safeguarding constitutional order, promoting good governance, and sustaining public trust across Asia. The Forum emphasises the shared responsibility of Asian judiciaries in upholding integrity, transparency, and the rule of law as essential foundations for regional stability, economic growth, and institutional credibility.

ENHANCING ASIA-WIDE JUDICIAL DIALOGUE AND COMPARATIVE EXCHANGE:

The Forum seeks to strengthen structured engagement among Asian judiciaries by providing a professional platform for Chief Justices, senior judges, court administrators, and legal practitioners to exchange comparative experiences. Recognising that countries across Asia operate under diverse legal traditions and reform pathways, WJIF 2026 encourages open discussion on common challenges, institutional best practices, and evolving reform priorities across the region.

ADVANCING REGIONAL POLICY DIALOGUE AND INSTITUTIONAL REFORM:

WJIF 2026 provides a focused forum for discussing judicial policy frameworks and reform initiatives to improve court governance, procedural efficiency, transparency, and accountability. Particular emphasis will be placed on strengthening judicial systems to support cross-border trade, investment certainty, dispute resolution mechanisms, and regional economic cooperation throughout Asia.

PROMOTING DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION AND JUDICIAL CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT:

In light of the accelerating digitalisation of court systems across Asia, the Forum aims to support capacity-building among judges, court administrators, and legal professionals. Participants will explore practical approaches to technology adoption, case management reform, and digital court services, while ensuring that the principles of fairness, due process, and judicial independence are upheld.

ORGANISING CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Esteemed Guests and Participants,

It is my great honour to extend a warm welcome to all distinguished delegates, members of the judiciary, legal practitioners, academics, speakers and participants to the inaugural World Judicial Integrity Forum (WJIF) 2026.

As legal systems across Asia continue to evolve amidst rapid technological advancement, expanding cross-border interaction, and rising public expectations, the importance of preserving judicial integrity has become more critical than ever.

Against this backdrop, WJIF 2026 serves as a timely platform for meaningful engagement among judicial and legal communities across the region. Through open dialogue and professional exchange, this Forum seeks to encourage a deeper understanding of the challenges confronting modern judicial systems while exploring practical approaches towards reform, innovation, and institutional strengthening.

We are especially honoured to launch the inaugural edition of WJIF in Bangkok, Thailand. As one of Southeast Asia's leading regional centres and a close neighbour of Malaysia, Bangkok provides an ideal setting for this Malaysia-led initiative dedicated to strengthening judicial cooperation, legal dialogue, and regional collaboration across Asia.

The theme of this year's Forum, "Justice, Reform, and Resilience: Towards a Global Legal Future," reflects the evolving realities faced by legal institutions worldwide. It underscores the need for judicial systems to continuously adapt to changing societal and technological landscapes while preserving the fundamental principles that define the administration of justice.

As Organising Chairman, I would like to express my heartfelt appreciation to our Co-Host, Rangsit University (RSU), Bangkok, Thailand, for its invaluable support and partnership in making this Forum possible. I also extend my sincere gratitude to all supporting organisations, partners, speakers, moderators, panellists, and participants for your valuable contributions and commitment to the success of WJIF 2026.

Thank you, and I wish everyone a productive and meaningful Forum.

Warm regards,

Dato' Setia Haji Nik Suhaimi bin Nik Sulaiman

Organising Chairman and Legal Advisor to the International Strategy Institute (ISI)

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



Esteemed Guests and Participants,

On behalf of the International Strategy Institute (ISI), I am delighted to extend my warmest welcome to all distinguished guests, members of the judiciary, legal professionals, academics, policymakers, partners and participants to the World Judicial Integrity Forum (WJIF) 2026 in Bangkok, Thailand.

The inaugural launch of WJIF marks an important milestone for ISI in its continuing efforts to promote meaningful international engagement on issues relating to governance, institutional integrity, public trust, and the rule of law. In an increasingly interconnected world, strong and credible judicial institutions remain fundamental not only to the fair administration of justice, but also to economic confidence, social stability and constructive international cooperation.

For many years, ISI has served as a platform that brings together leaders from government, business, academia, civil society, and professional communities to encourage dialogue, mutual understanding and international collaboration. WJIF 2026 reflects this broader mission by bringing together distinguished judicial and legal figures from different jurisdictions and legal traditions in the spirit of professional exchange and constructive engagement.

We are especially grateful to Rangsit University for its invaluable partnership and support as Co-Host of this Forum. Bangkok, as one of Southeast Asia's leading regional centres, provides an excellent setting for international dialogue and cooperation among participants from across the world. More importantly, WJIF represents a long-term commitment towards strengthening institutional trust, encouraging professional collaboration and fostering greater understanding among those dedicated to upholding justice and the rule of law.

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our Co-Host, supporting organisations, sponsors, speakers, moderators, panellists, partners and participants for your invaluable support and contribution towards the success of WJIF 2026. Your presence and commitment are instrumental in making this inaugural Forum possible.

Thank you, and I wish everyone a productive, insightful, and meaningful World Judicial Integrity Forum 2026.

Warm regards,

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Chairman of the International Strategy Institute (ISI)

FORUM PROGRAMME

8.00am - 8.30am

REGISTRATION

8.30am - 9.30am

OPENING CEREMONY

WELCOMING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Dato' Setia Haji Nik Suhaimi bin Nik Sulaiman

Organising Chairman & Legal Advisor of International Strategy Institute (ISI)

SPECIAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Dr. Arthit Ourairat

Founding President of Rangsit University

Former Vice President of the Parliament of Thailand

Former Speaker of the House of Representatives of Thailand

OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

The Hon. Justice Dato' Nordin bin Hassan

Federal Court Judge of Malaysia

9.30am - 9.45am

COFFEE BREAK

9.45am - 10.45am

TOPIC DISCUSSION 1 - JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND PUBLIC CONFIDENCE ACROSS ASIA

Judicial independence remains a cornerstone of constitutional governance across Asia, yet maintaining public confidence requires balancing independence with transparency and institutional accountability. As Asian societies evolve politically and economically, courts face increasing scrutiny regarding decision-making processes, case backlogs, ethical standards, and judicial conduct.

This session will examine how Asia's judiciaries can strengthen institutional integrity while preserving decisional independence. Discussions will focus on judicial appointment systems, performance monitoring mechanisms, ethics frameworks, and strategies to enhance transparency without compromising judicial autonomy. Comparative perspectives across different Asian legal systems will highlight practical approaches to maintaining credibility in diverse constitutional environments.

10.45am - 11.45am

TOPIC DISCUSSION 2 - DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF COURTS: INNOVATION, CYBERSECURITY, AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE

Across Asia, judicial systems are accelerating the adoption of digital tools, including e-filing systems, virtual hearings, case management platforms, and data-driven court administration. While digitalisation enhances efficiency and accessibility, it also raises concerns relating to cybersecurity, digital inequality, procedural fairness, and data governance.

This session will explore both the opportunities and risks associated with court modernisation across Asian jurisdictions. Speakers will discuss regional experiences in implementing digital court systems, managing online evidence, protecting sensitive judicial data, and ensuring equal access to justice for digitally underserved communities. The discussion aims to identify practical and sustainable models for technology-driven reform within diverse legal environments.

11.45pm - 12.00pm

LUNCHEON KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Mr. Pongdej Wanichkittikul

Presiding Justice of the Supreme Court of Thailand

FORUM PROGRAMME

12.00pm -1.30pm

NETWORKING LUNCH

1.30pm -2.30pm

TOPIC DISCUSSION 3 - COMMERCIAL COURTS, INSOLVENCY REFORM, AND INVESTOR CONFIDENCE IN ASIA

As Asian economies become increasingly interconnected, effective commercial dispute resolution and robust insolvency frameworks are essential for maintaining economic stability and investor confidence. Courts play a pivotal role in restructuring distressed enterprises, enforcing contractual obligations and resolving cross-border commercial disputes predictably and transparently.

This session will examine how Asian judicial systems can strengthen commercial court specialisation, improve insolvency procedures and enhance cross-border recognition of judgments. Discussions will address balancing creditor protection with corporate recovery, reducing procedural delays and improving consistency in commercial adjudication. Particular emphasis will be placed on how judicial efficiency and certainty contribute directly to economic resilience across Asia.

2.30pm - 3.30pm

TOPIC DISCUSSION 4 - STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL COOPERATION: CROSS-BORDER LEGAL COORDINATION AND INSTITUTIONAL EXCHANGE

In an increasingly interconnected Asia, cross-border legal cooperation has become essential. From mutual legal assistance and extradition matters to transnational commercial disputes and regulatory enforcement, Asian judiciaries are required to navigate complex legal interactions beyond national borders.

This session will focus on strengthening cooperation mechanisms among Asian courts, including information-sharing frameworks, judicial training exchanges, harmonisation of procedural practices where appropriate and capacity-building partnerships. Speakers will examine practical pathways to deepen legal understanding and institutional collaboration while respecting national sovereignty and distinct legal traditions. The objective is to move beyond dialogue towards sustained and structured cooperation among Asian judicial institutions.

3.30pm - 3.45pm

CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Professor Vicha Mahakun
Dean, School of Law, Rangsit University (RSU), Bangkok, Thailand

3.45pm - 4.15pm

COFFEE BREAK

4.15pm

END OF PROGRAMME SESSION

**Kindly note that the topics are not yet finalized and may be subject to further discussion or adjustment.*

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INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY INSTITUTE (ISI)

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Our dialogues, programmes, research and networking platforms are designed to drive economic growth in the region. We aim to:

- 1 Build platforms for regional dialogue and networking opportunities that allow businesses, industry captains and governments to come together to drive economic growth of the region;
- 2 Provide timely research to keep our members and governments informed and updated on global trade and political issues that may have an impact on their operations;
- 3 Match businesses to the right investors and ensure that the companies are paired with the right strategic investment partner.
- 4 Provide strategic platforms that connect governments, businesses, and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs) around the region to conduct CSR programmes for community outreach and to give back to the community.

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Thai-Chinese Culture and Economy Association

Thailand and the People's Republic of China share a long, peaceful history with no lingering historical disputes. Former Premier Zhu Rongji uniquely characterized this special bond as sharing the same bloodline, being friends, and being partners.

Following the official establishment of diplomatic ties in 1975, unrest throughout Indochina prompted Colonel Chavalit Yongchaiyudh and Colonel Phat Akhanibut to lead a delegation to Beijing. They successfully negotiated regional security cooperation with H.E. Deng Xiaoping, a historic milestone that fostered regional peace and close military collaboration.

During this critical period, the Chinese People's Liberation Army advised Thailand to create a non-governmental organization functioning as a direct bridge between the two nations, mirroring China's CAIFC. Consequently, General Chavalit, alongside military, political, and business leaders, founded the Thai-Chinese Cultural and Economic Association. Officially registered in 1993, the Association initially focused strictly on military and security affairs. Once general peace was fully restored, it expanded its organizational roles to encompass broader economic and cultural cooperation.

General Chavalit served as the first President for several terms, concurrently holding high-ranking government offices, including Prime Minister. In 2005, he transferred the leadership to the second President, Deputy Prime Minister Somkid Jatusripitak. General Vichit Yathip became the third President in 2008, followed by former Deputy Prime Minister Phinij Jarusombat as the fourth President in 2010.

Subsequently, on June 18, 2013, the 5th Board of Directors, appointed by the General Assembly, passed a resolution to elect Dr. Bhokin Bhalakula as the fifth President of the Association. as President and lead the Association's missions through to the present day (2026).

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We act as a cost-effective one-stop centre to provide legal support for your corporate objectives, from conception to completion.

Our resources extend globally due to the strength of our international alliances. Azmi & Associates participates actively in the TerraLex network of law firms (based in Florida, USA and comprising 23,000 lawyers across more than 150 jurisdictions), with whom we work closely. This means that we can mobilise resources quickly to serve your business interests within and outside of Malaysia.

The innovative work and responsive service of our commercially savvy lawyers in domestic and cross-border transactions have garnered accolades and gained global recognition on international law directory listings and publications, such as The Legal 500, Asian Legal Business, Chambers Global and IFLR1000.

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The Angara Abello Concepcion Regala & Cruz Law Offices (ACCRALAW) stands as the Philippines' largest institutional law firm with over 50 years of excellence. Since its founding in 1972 with seven lawyers, the Firm has expanded into a powerhouse of more than 190 legal professionals and over 180 non-legal support personnel. Its head office operates from Bonifacio Global City - Taguig City's central business district in Metro Manila - while full-service branches in Cebu and Davao cities ensure strong regional coverage in key business hubs across the Visayas and Mindanao regions.

ACCRALAW's multidisciplinary legal team delivers top-tier expertise across various practice areas, including litigation and dispute resolution, labor and employment law, immigration law, intellectual property, data privacy and security, tax, and corporate and commercial transactions. Through the decades, the Firm has played a pivotal role in landmark litigation cases and major business deals, consistently providing strategic legal solutions for both local and multinational clients.

Leading the Firm are Managing Partner Patricia-Ann T. Prodigalidad and Co-Managing Partner Leland R. Villadolid, Jr., who continue to steer ACCRALAW toward its vision of Beyond Legal Excellence.

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Our products are carefully formulated using natural, additive-free ingredients to support daily wellness, immunity, and overall restoration. With a strong commitment to quality and product integrity, Hermosa focuses on delivering trusted wellness solutions that meet the needs of today’s health-conscious consumers.

Hermosa is launching two signature product lines as part of our mission to become a recognised name in food-based wellness solutions, offering premium products for consumers seeking a healthier lifestyle.

With a strong focus on the halal consumer segment, Hermosa aims to serve the growing demand for trusted, high-quality wellness products within Muslim communities locally and internationally.

Beyond Malaysia, Hermosa is strategically positioned for regional growth, bringing premium wellness solutions to a wider audience seeking healthier lifestyle choices.

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Star Passage

Star Passage (MM2H) Sdn Bhd is a licensed facilitator under the Malaysia My Second Home (MM2H) programme, regulated by the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture Malaysia. The company specialises in supporting foreign nationals in navigating Malaysia's long-term residency framework through a structured and compliant approach.

As part of its core services, Star Passage provides end-to-end guidance across the MM2H process, including eligibility assessment, documentation coordination, application submission, and post-approval support. Each application is managed with a strong emphasis on regulatory compliance, clarity of process, and transparent communication.

Our Role

At Star Passage, our role extends beyond application facilitation. We support individuals and families throughout their MM2H journey — from initial planning to post-approval transition. Our approach is guided by:

- Clear eligibility evaluation
- Structured documentation guidance
- Strong regulatory compliance
- Coordinated and transparent process management

By maintaining a disciplined and client-focused approach, we ensure that each applicant is well-informed, properly prepared, and supported in making long-term residency decisions in Malaysia.

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Mercury Commerce

Mercury Commerce Sdn. Bhd., established in March 2022, is a dynamic trading company dedicated to empowering local manufacturers to expand their reach and connect with consumers globally. With an extensive logistics and supply chain network built on trust and reliability, we are here to support and facilitate the international growth of your business.

Our mission is to unlock the full potential of your products by introducing them to new markets worldwide. Through our in-depth knowledge and experience in international trade, we strive to maximize your cross-country exposure and open doors to exciting business opportunities. By leveraging our expertise, we ensure that your products are showcased to a diverse customer base, allowing you to tap into untapped markets and increase brand recognition globally.

At Mercury Commerce, we are committed to building a sustainable supply chain that benefits all stakeholders involved. We work closely with manufacturers, offering guidance and support to enhance their production capabilities, product quality, and compliance with international standards. Additionally, we establish strong relationships with reputable buyers, guaranteeing that your products reach the right target audience and achieve optimal sales performance. Successful cross-border trade should be mutually beneficial for all parties involved.

Our dedication to delivering exceptional end-to-end service throughout the entire cross-border trade journey sets us apart. From efficient order processing and rigorous quality control to secure packaging and timely delivery, we prioritize customer satisfaction and strive to exceed expectations at every step. Our team of professionals is always ready to provide personalized assistance, ensuring a seamless experience for manufacturers

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Mymakanan

Mymakanan.my is a nationwide project organized by the International Strategy Institute (ISI). Mymakanan connects local food suppliers selling vegetables, chicken, cattle, goatfish, fruits, sugar, salt, flour and others to consumers across Malaysia.

Mymakanan aim is to help local traders and entrepreneurs recover from the pandemic and cater to customers who choose to shop online. Mymakanan has a ready list of food suppliers who can be contacted directly via phone or whatsapp to place an order. Meanwhile, food suppliers and manufacturers can register with Mymakanan for free for a limited period of time to sell the products online, through Mymakanan.my.

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DahPay is an e-payment company built on the core tenets of high value-added entrepreneurship, creativity and innovation. Realizing the potential of the financial sector and the new economic model; Dahpay was created for hassle-free payment. Rather than carrying wallets around, the high number of smartphone users rely on their gadgets for all aspects of their lives, including finance.

Our aim is to create a strong, comprehensive and progressive financial system to underpin Malaysia's vision to become a developed nation by 2025. DahPay will be a full-fledged payment system for all kinds of payments and transfers, providing a solution to bring business to the next

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At V Live, we're inspired by your passion for a happy, healthy, and empowered lifestyle—because we are, too. Our range of cell-supplements is designed to restore healthy cells, so you can enjoy wholesome health, naturally. V Live inspired by passionate folks like you who are looking to be a part of a purpose-driven business created to improve quality of life, while creating prosperity and growth for all. As a V Live customer, not only will you enjoy better health and confidence, you'll be coached and equipped for your success. Our Vision is to keep leading in the line of comprehensive healthcare products using the state-of-art technology.

Thus the mission is to keep dedicating and constantly researching to launch body-friendly product lines which are good for human's internal physiology, aiming at comprehensively improving human health in the shortest possible time and spreading the underlying disease screening solutions to the community with all our heart.

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An Eden of Nature and Animals Farm In The City (FITC) is a unique new concept that combines elements of wildlife and nature set in a designed environment of a conservation park. Drawing upon the values of Malaysia's multi-racial and multicultural population, FITC is designed to resemble a typical Malaysia village or "kampung" setting. FITC plans to become a focal point for tourism in the state by providing educational and entertaining insights into the lifestyle and setting of a Malaysian village, farm and fruit orchard with its natural plants and wildlife. FITC is much more than a viewing exhibit. It encourages visitor-interactions with the animals and plant-life in a comfortable yet authentic environment. FITC also places great importance on education of visitors on the various aspects of farm and animal life as well as wildlife conservation and preservation.

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Keynote Speaker

WELCOMING KEYNOTE ADDRESS



Dato' Setia Haji Nik Suhaimi bin Nik Sulaiman

Organising Chairman & Legal Advisor to the International Strategy Institute (ISI)

Malaysia

SPECIAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS



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Founding President of Rangsit University
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Thailand

OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS



The Hon. Justice Dato' Nordin bin Hassan

Federal Court Judge of Malaysia

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Thailand

Keynote Speaker

SPECIAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS



Dr. Arthit Ourairat

Founding President of Rangsit University
Former Vice President of the Parliament of Thailand
Former Speaker of the House of Representatives of Thailand
Thailand

Dr. Arthit Ourairat is the Founding President of Rangsit University, former Vice President of the Parliament of Thailand, and former Speaker of the House of Representatives of Thailand. His life has been dedicated to public service, political leadership, and the advancement of education in Thailand and beyond.

Dr. Arthit began his educational journey at Bangkok Christian College before pursuing Political Science, Diplomacy and Foreign Affairs at Chulalongkorn University. He later continued his studies in the United States, earning a Master of Arts in International Relations from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, a Master of Public Administration from California State University, Los Angeles, and a Doctorate of Political Science in Public Administration from the University of Colorado, Boulder.

Throughout his distinguished public career, Dr. Arthit served in numerous high-level positions including Governor of the Metropolitan Waterworks Authority, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Public Health, and Minister of Science, Technology and Environment. In 1992, during a critical period in Thailand's political history, he served as Speaker of the House of Representatives and nominated Anand Panyarachun as Prime Minister to lead the country towards reform.

In education, Dr. Arthit jointly led the establishment of Rangsit College in 1986, which later became Rangsit University in 1990, officially inaugurated by H.R.H. Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn. He also played a key role in the establishment of the British International School Phuket and the Satit Bilingual Schools. His longstanding contributions to education and society were recognised internationally, including the award of the Druk Thuksey by the Kingdom of Bhutan in 2015.

Keynote Speaker

OPENING KEYNOTE ADDRESS



The Hon. Justice Dato' Nordin bin Hassan

Federal Court Judge of Malaysia

Malaysia

The Honourable Justice Dato' Nordin bin Hassan is currently serving as a Federal Court Judge of Malaysia.

His Lordship read law at the International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM) and graduated with honours in 1987. His Lordship began his legal career in the same year as Federal Counsel in the Advisory and International Division of the Attorney General's Chambers (AGC). He went on to serve in the Civil Division, Legal Aid Bureau, and Prosecution Division, culminating in his appointment as the Head of the Prosecution Unit in the Pahang State Legal Advisor's Office in 1994.

In 1996, His Lordship was appointed as the Head of the Legal Division at the Anti-Corruption Agency of Malaysia (ACA) and went on to lead several key divisions thereafter. In 2001, he became the Head of the Classified Case Unit in the Prosecution Division of the AGC. He later served as Director of the Legal Division of the ACA in 2007, Deputy Head of the Prosecution Division (Policy) in the same year, and concluded his public service as Head of the Trial and Appeal Division from 2013 to 2014. Over the course of 27 years in government service—including 20 years as a public prosecutor—His Lordship handled numerous high-profile cases of public interest.

His Lordship commenced his judicial career with his appointment as a Judicial Commissioner in 2014, was appointed as the High Court Judge in January 2017, elevated to the Court of Appeal in March 2020, and to the Federal Court in January 2023.

In addition to serving as a Judge of the Federal Court, His Lordship also holds the position of Chairman of the Training Committee of the Malaysian Judicial Academy. The Committee is responsible, among other duties, for identifying key training needs, developing appropriate training modules, and preparing case study materials for the benefit of Superior Court judges.

His Lordship also serves as the Managing Judge of the State Court of Perak, where he provides leadership and oversight to improve the court's performance.

Keynote Speaker

LUNCHEON KEYNOTE ADDRESS



Mr. Pongdej Wanichkittikul

Presiding Justice of the Supreme Court of Thailand

Thailand

Started career as a Legal Officer at Tri Petch Isuzu Sales Co., Ltd. before entering civil service as a Legal Officer at the Bangkok Metropolitan Administration and passing the Assistant Judge examination, Class 30 (1990). Served as a Provincial Court Judge in Chai Nat and was awarded a Ministry of Justice scholarship to pursue an LL.M. at American University, Washington, D.C. After graduation, served as an Assistant Judge of the Court of Appeal and worked at the Technical Division, Office of Judicial Promotion (currently the Legal and Academic Affairs Division). Served as Secretary to several legislative drafting committees, such as the Court Administration Act and the Act on the Determination of Competence between Courts. Furthermore, served as a member of Parliamentary Extraordinary Committees for several important laws, including the Civil Procedure Code amendments (No. 24, 26, 27), the Consumer Case Procedure Act, and the Act Establishing the Court of Appeal for Specialized Cases. Conducted research on reducing appeals caseload, class actions, and environmental litigation issues, leading to the establishment of environmental divisions in the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal.

Held significant judicial and administrative positions, including Secretary of the Court of Appeal, Deputy Secretary of the Supreme Court, Secretary-General to the President of the Supreme Court, Secretary-General of the Judicial Training and Development Institute, and Secretary-General of the Office of the Judiciary. Previously served as a Justice of the Supreme Court and currently serves as a Presiding Justice of the Supreme Court. With extensive experience in adjudication, legislative drafting, policy research, and administration, plays a pivotal role in the development of Thailand's legal and justice systems.

Keynote Speaker

CLOSING KEYNOTE ADDRESS



Professor Vicha Mahakun

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Professor Vicha Mahakun is currently the Dean of the Faculty of Law, Rangsit University. He also serves as President of Tulakarn Chalerm Prakit Hospital Foundation, President of Anti-Corruption Foundation, Member of IACA's International Senior Advisory Board (ISAB/IACA), and Professor of Law at Chulalongkorn University. Previously he had held various senior positions such as National Anti-Corruption Commissioner, Secretary to President of the Supreme Court, Judge of the Court of Appeal, Deputy Chief Justice of Central Juvenile & Family Court, Justice & Senior Justice of the Supreme Court, President of the Court of Appeal Region 2, President of the Court of Appeal Region 1, President of the Juvenile & Family Division in the Supreme Court, Member of Constituent Assembly, and Vice Chairman of Constitution Drafting Commission.

Education: LL.B., Chulalongkorn University 1967; Barister-at-Law 1968; LL.M., Chulalongkorn University 1973; M.A. (Political Science), Thammasat University 1994; Honorary Doctorate Degree in Law, Chulalongkorn University 2007; Honorary Doctorate Degree in Law, Prince of Songkla University 2013; Honorary Doctorate Degree in Public Administration, National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA) 2015; The National Defence Course (Class 41), National Defence College; Cambridge-Thammasat Executive Education 2009; Certificate in Democratics Politics and Governance for High-Level Administrators, Prapokklao Institute (Class 11); Executive Course; Capital Markets College (Class 10); The Rule of Law for Democracy Course; The Constitutional Court College (Class 3)

Research & Training: Research on "Legal Dissemination" Rockefeller Foundation: USA & ITALY; Research on: "Child Abuse" Redd Barna: Norway; Training on: "Therapeutic Community" Daytip: USA; Research on: "Reducing Drug Abuse & Delinquency" UNESCAP; Training on: "Women Abuse" British Council: England

Royal Decorations: Knight Grand Cordon (Special Class) of the White Elephant 1998; Knight Grand Cordon (Special Class) of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant 1998; Knight Grand Cordon (Special Class) of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand; The Boy Scout Citation Medal 2014; The Most Prestigious Medal for Academic Distinction: in the branch of Law 2016 (Dusdee Mala Medal).

PANELLIST'S PROFILE

TOPIC DISCUSSION 1 - JUDICIAL INDEPENDENCE,
ACCOUNTABILITY, AND PUBLIC CONFIDENCE ACROSS ASIA

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Mr. Mohamad Izahar bin Mohamad Izham

Partner and Head of the Government Advisory Practice
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Malaysia

Izahar is a Partner and Head of the Government Advisory practice group at Zaid Ibrahim & Co.

His practice focuses in the area of regulatory reform. This includes advising international and regional organisations, as well as Federal and State Governments - including Ministries, regulators, and statutory bodies - across the 'end-to-end' law reform spectrum ranging from regulatory mapping, undertaking feasibility studies, conducting Regulatory Impact Analysis (RIA), assisting in the drafting of primary and subsidiary legislations, and implementing regulatory frameworks.

He has also been involved in post-law reform work through his experience in compliance and governance with legal awareness initiatives, advising on regulatory compliance, developing legal audit programmes, and advising on rationalization, privatization, and corporatization exercises. At the same time, his practice includes providing strategic and legal support to private sector clients interested in engaging the Government in policy development and reform. This includes industry proposals to amend or introduce new legislation as well as complex and novel regulatory applications and approvals.

In recent years, the practice also covers work in the Asia Pacific region including countries such as Australia, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, the Philippines, and Vietnam.

Izahar is a co-author for "Corporate Governance and Ethics in Malaysia", published by Thomson Reuters which provides an overview of general principles relating to corporate governance and ethics in Malaysia both from the public and private sector perspective.

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Dr. Pratamaporn Iamumpha

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Dr. Pratamaporn Iamumpha is a legal academic and practitioner with expertise in intellectual property law, digital law, and international commercial law. She holds an LL.B. from Chulalongkorn University, an LL.M. in International Commercial and Business Law from the University of Essex, and an LL.M. in Intellectual Property Law from Queen Mary University of London. She obtained her Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) with distinction from Rangsit University, focusing on copyright law in the digital era.

With over a decade of professional experience, she has practiced as an independent lawyer while contributing to legal education as a lecturer and tutor. She has also been involved in digital governance initiatives, including the drafting and review of legal consent frameworks for government digital applications.

Dr. Pratamaporn is the creator of the "Law Lover" mobile application, aimed at improving access to Thai legal materials. Her research focuses on copyright protection in the digital environment and the application of emerging technologies to support more transparent and effective legal systems. She is currently involved in international academic collaboration on a proposed UN Convention on the Right to Development and the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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Pol. Col. (Dr.) Siriphon Kusonsinwut

Deputy of Secretary General
The Office of the Personal Data Protection Committee (PDPC), Thailand

Thailand

Pol. Col. Dr. Siriphon Kusonsinwut graduated from Thai Royal Police Cadet Academy in the field of Police Science with the distinguish score and finished study in several principles such as the Master's Degree of Political Science from Thammasat University and degree of law with honour from Thammasat University both Bachelor and Master of Law. During studying Master of Law degree, he passed the Bar Exam in 2001 with the top ten ranking score. After graduated Master of Law, he got the government scholarship to study in Master and Doctor of Law in the United States.

He graduated LL.M. with top 3% score from Indiana University-Bloomington and pursue his LL.M and J.S.D. (Doctor of the Science of the Law) from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He worked the investigator and lawyer for the Police Force since graduated from Police Cadet Academy and resigned from Police Force in 2023 to work in the PDPC Thailand. Currently, he has been in charge of the legal affairs as the Director of Legal Affairs and the Deputy of Secretary General of the Thailand PDPC.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Professor Dr. Prasit Eakabut

Expert in International Law
Senior Professor of LLB program at Faculty of Law,
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Professor Dr. Prasit Aekaputra is a distinguished Thai scholar in the field of international law, with extensive experience in legal education, academic leadership, public service, and international legal scholarship. Throughout his career, he has contributed significantly to advancing legal studies in Thailand and mentoring generations of legal professionals and academics.

Professor Dr. Prasit previously served as Dean of the Faculty of Law at several leading universities in Thailand, including Thammasat University, Dhurakij Pundit University, Huachiew Chalermprakiet University, and the School of Law at the National Institute of Development Administration (NIDA). He currently continues his academic work at the Faculty of Law, Rangsit University.

He pursued advanced legal studies in France and obtained D.S.U. in Public International Law, D.E.A. in International Law, and a Doctorate in Law (Docteur en Droit) with "Mention Très Honorable" from Université Paris II. His expertise includes public and private international law, WTO law, international economic law, international dispute settlement, maritime law, and cultural property law.

In addition to academia, Professor Dr. Prasit served as Legal Advisor to two former Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Thailand and was a member of the Official Information Commission of Thailand. He also contributed to national legal and policy development through several drafting committees and was Thailand's candidate for membership on the WTO Appellate Body.

Professor Dr. Prasit has participated as a visiting professor, speaker, and legal expert at international academic forums in countries including France, China, and Indonesia, and has contributed extensively to legal scholarship through books, articles, and research publications.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE

TOPIC DISCUSSION 2 - DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF COURTS:
INNOVATION, CYBERSECURITY, AND ACCESS TO JUSTICE

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Mr. Harangu Shanaka Roshan Gunasekara

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Shanaka Gunasekara is a Partner at FJ&G de Saram – Sri Lanka's oldest law firm – and Head of its Data Protection & Privacy practice. He brings over 16 years of experience spanning both high-profile corporate litigation and cutting-edge advisory work on technology, data privacy, and cybersecurity. This unique dual expertise makes him a sought-after specialist in digital transformation and legal risk, especially in matters intersecting AI, data protection and regulatory compliance.

In his litigation practice, Shanaka has represented multinational companies in complex commercial and regulatory disputes, building a strong track record in corporate and financial sector cases. Concurrently, he leads his firm's initiatives in privacy law, digital governance, and cyber-security, advising global and local organizations on compliance strategies under emerging regimes (including Sri Lanka's Personal Data Protection Act). He is ranked by Chambers Asia-Pacific in Corporate/Commercial Law and recognized as a Notable Practitioner by IFLR1000 for his TMT expertise.

A regular speaker and thought leader, Shanaka addressed the National Data Protection Symposium 2025 and has been featured in media discussing data protection and innovation in the legal industry. He has published commentary on technology law and co-authored IFLR1000 article on dispute resolution. As a key figure in Sri Lanka's legal tech and privacy community, Shanaka combines practical courtroom insight with forward-looking expertise in digital transformation, making him ideally placed to speak on innovation, cybersecurity, and access to justice in the modern judiciary.

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Atty. Leland R. Villadolid, Jr.

Co-Managing Partner & Senior Partner
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Mr. Villadolid is the Co-Managing Partner of ACCRALAW. He specializes in litigation, arbitration, and alternative dispute resolution principally in the areas of information, telecommunication, and technology. He also handles cases in areas of cybercrime and cybersecurity, data privacy, consumer protection, product liability and environmental law.

After obtaining his Master of Laws degree from the George Washington University, he was awarded a fellowship grant by the United States – Asia Environmental Partnership Program (US-AEP), which enabled him to study and conduct research work at the Environmental Law Institute (ELI) in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Villadolid also serves as Corporate Secretary and legal consultant of the Information Security Officers Group (ISOG), an organization whose members consist of the Chief Information Security Officers and Data Privacy Officers of leading banks and financial institutions in the Philippines, as well as other companies with heavy IT security requirements.

In the field of cybercrime enforcement, Mr. Villadolid previously served as a consultant to the Philippine National Police Anti-Cybercrime Group and the National Bureau of Investigation. Mr. Villadolid gives lectures and/or participates as a panelist on cybersecurity and data privacy issues in various cyber security related forums and conferences.

Mr. Villadolid was identified in the Asia Business Law Journal Philippines Top 100 Lawyers in 2024 and 2025 in litigation, arbitration and dispute resolution in the areas of Information, Communication, Technology and Cyber Security and Data Privacy.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Judge Hazarena Hurairah

Acting Chief Registrar/Intermediate Court Judge
Supreme Court Brunei Darussalam

Brunei

Hazarena completed her tertiary education in Reading and London, graduating with a Business Law degree and a Master's in Commercial Law from Queen Mary University of London. She was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn in November 2003 and joined the Attorney General's Chambers in early 2004. She subsequently joined the Brunei judiciary in mid-2004 as a Judicial Officer, serving as both a Magistrate in the subordinate courts and a Registrar in the Supreme Court.

In her judicial capacity, she has also served as Deputy Official Receiver and Deputy Probate Officer, and has held appointments as Registrar of Civil Marriages, Deputy Registrar, and Adjudicator in the Small Claims Tribunal. She is also a Judge Advocate General in the Military Court.

In 2010, she was promoted to Senior Registrar of the Supreme Court, where she was responsible for Court of Appeal listings and assisted in the administration of the Supreme Court, Bankruptcy, and Probate Registries. In May 2017, she became an accredited mediator with the Singapore Mediation Centre and has since served as an associate mediator. She currently heads the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee.

In 2020, she was vested with powers as an Intermediate Court Judge and was promoted to Deputy Chief Registrar in May 2021, supporting the Chief Registrar with a focus on strengthening registry functions and operations.

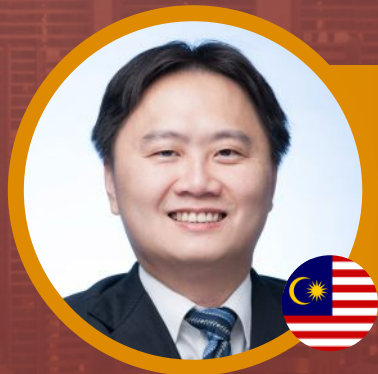
She was awarded the PIKB medal in 2015 and the PSB medal in 2022 by His Majesty the Sultan of Brunei Darussalam in recognition of her public service.

Since February 2024, she has been serving as Acting Chief Registrar of the Supreme Court, assisting the Chief Justice in judicial and administrative matters, chairing key legal reform committees, and serving as Chair of the Income Tax Board of Review.

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TOPIC DISCUSSION 3 - COMMERCIAL COURTS, INSOLVENCY
REFORM, AND INVESTOR CONFIDENCE IN ASIA

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Mr. Wan Kai Chee

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Rahmat Lim & Partners

Malaysia

Kai Chee is the Co-Head of the Financial Services Department at Rahmat Lim & Partners. His practice encompasses a broad range of corporate and financial matters, including capital markets, investment funds, private equity, FinTech, and mergers and acquisitions.

He has extensive experience in mergers, restructurings, schemes of arrangement and vestings, capital reductions, initial public offerings, and take-overs, acquisitions and other corporate exercises.

His specialization covers both domestic and cross-border transactions, where he frequently advises on foreign direct investment into Malaysia, joint venture/shareholder arrangements, and various commercial contracts. Furthermore, he provides counsel on company and securities laws, the formation of funds and collective investment schemes, as well as Labuan and insurance laws. His capital markets experience includes high-profile listings in Malaysia, Singapore, Hong Kong, and London.

Kai Chee is recognized as Highly Regarded in Capital Markets by IFLR1000 and as a Leading Partner in Capital Markets by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific*.

He is concurrently a partner in Allen & Gledhill, the Firm's associate firm in Singapore, providing a seamless regional perspective across his practice areas.

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Mr. Nik Syahril Bin Nik Ab Rahman

Director of Policy and Legal Division
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Malaysia

Nik Syahril Bin Nik Ab Rahman embarked on his legal career after graduating with a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B Hons.) from Universiti Teknologi MARA. He subsequently advanced his academic foundation by earning a Master of Laws (International Commercial Law) from the University of Kent, United Kingdom, and is currently a PhD Candidate at Universiti Malaya.

Following his pupillage at Messrs. Shearn Delamore & Co. in 2006, he qualified as an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya. As a highly versatile Legal Officer within the Judicial and Legal Service, he has developed extensive expertise across appellate advocacy, prosecution, litigation, advisory, insolvency, and legal aid.

Notably, his expertise in insolvency is deeply rooted in his prior service at the Malaysian Department of Insolvency (MDI), where he served with distinction as a Senior Federal Counsel from 2009 to 2014. His broader distinguished trajectory encompasses key roles across apex government institutions, including serving as Federal Counsel and Deputy Public Prosecutor at the Attorney General's Chambers, Deputy Public Prosecutor for the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission, and Assistant Treasury Solicitor at the Ministry of Finance. Demonstrating a strong capacity for leadership, he also served as the Director of the Department of Legal Aid and the Director of the National Legal Academy.

Drawing upon this extensive background, Nik Syahril returned to MDI on 15 April 2026, assuming the pivotal role of Director of Insolvency in the Policy and Legal Division. In this capacity, he provides essential support for government policy recommendations and leads the data-driven analysis of insolvency implementation issues. He conducts dedicated research to improve domestic insolvency regulations, actively engaging with legislators and stakeholders to propose viable solutions. His strategic involvement in refining cross-border insolvency legislation ensures that Malaysia's domestic legal frameworks remain seamlessly aligned with progressive international developments.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Mr. Mohamad Daud Bin Ismail

Lawyer, Advocate & Solicitor
Daud Ismail & Company

Brunei

Mohamad Daud Ismail is a senior Advocate & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Brunei Darussalam, admitted to the Bar on 21 August 1985. With 40 years of legal experience, his practice spans corporate and civil law as well as criminal law, appearing before the High Court and Court of Appeal of Brunei Darussalam. He has also appeared before the Privy Council in the United Kingdom, assisting former Queen's Counsel on appeals from Brunei.

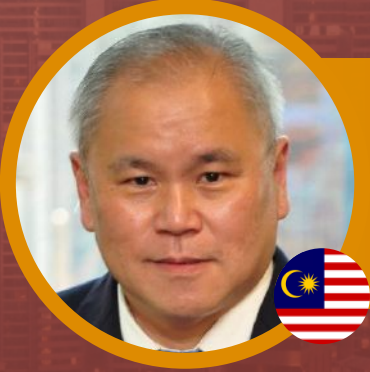
Since 2016, he has served as an Adjunct Lecturer at the Faculty of Law, Sultan Sharif Ali Islamic University (UNISSA), Brunei Darussalam. In this role, he has lectured on the Insolvency Order 2016, bringing practical insights from his extensive litigation and advisory work.

His combination of four decades at the Bar and academic engagement provides a grounded perspective on Brunei's legal landscape, particularly in corporate insolvency, civil litigation, and appellate advocacy.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE

**TOPIC DISCUSSION 4 - STRENGTHENING JUDICIAL COOPERATION:
CROSS-BORDER LEGAL COORDINATION AND INSTITUTIONAL EXCHANGE**

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Mr. Philip Teoh

Partner, International Lawyer, Arbitrator
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Philip Teoh has been in legal practice in Singapore and Malaysia for over 36 years. He is also a Practising Arbitrator empanelled with LMAA, SCMA, EMAC, AIAC, ICC, LCIA, KCAB, AABD Brunei and other International Panels. He handles both contentious and non-contentious areas.

He regularly advises parties on investment into Malaysia, establishing business presence, corporate structures, M&A, Corporate and Commercial matters.

Fields of legal expertise and industry specialization:

Maritime & Admiralty, International Law, Charterparties, Shipbuilding, Vessel Sale & Purchase, Contracts of Carriage, Shipping & Logistics, International Trade, Insurance & Reinsurance, Oil & Gas, Engineering, Construction, International Trade, Sale of Goods, Commercial Contracts, WTO, Sanctions.

He has written Practitioner Legal Texts used by the Courts and other lawyers and his book *The Law and Practice of International Trade and Shipping* was published by Sweet & Maxwell in February 2026.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Pol. Capt. Amornphan Nititheeranont

Senior Advisor Acting Assistant Secretary-General/Former Judge
The Office of the Personal Data Protection Committee (PDPC),
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Thailand

Pol. Capt. Amornphan holds a Bachelor of Public Administration (Police Science) from the Royal Police Cadet Academy and a Bachelor of Laws from Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University, having been admitted as a Thai Barrister-at-Law (Class 68). He earned an MPA in Criminology and Justice Administration from Rangsit University and an LL.M. in Public Law from Sripatum University, both with certificates of academic excellence. His credentials include certificates from the Institute of Inquiry Education and the Lawyers Council of Thailand. He also completed the Inspector Training Program, the Judge Trainee Course, and Junior Judge programs.

His extensive career began as a Royal Thai Police inquiry official, winning the Outstanding Inquiry Officer Award. He later served as a Supervisor at the Suvarnabhumi International Airport Immigration Checkpoint and contributed to the Immigration Bureau's legal working group, drafting key regulations on foreign legal matters.

In 2020, he successfully entered the judiciary, passing both the Assistant Judge and Assistant Prosecutor examinations on his first attempt. He was royally appointed as a Judge at the Samut Prakan Provincial Court, the Bangkok South Criminal Court, and the Loei Provincial Court.

Currently, he serves as an Senior Advisor Acting Assistant Secretary-General of the PDPC. He previously directed the Personal Data Protection Promotion Division, the Consultation and Complaints Center, and the Inspection and Supervision Division. Furthermore, he is an Advisor to the Lawyers Council of Thailand, the House Sub-Committee on Technology Crime, and an Immigration Expert for the Royal Thai Police. He was instrumental in advocating for Section 11/2 of the Royal Decree on Cybercrime Prevention and Suppression, leading to the landmark seizure of nine million personal data records.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Pol. Lt. Col. Worakorn Nattamangkang

Inquiry Inspector, Investigation Subdivision, Investigation Division
Immigration Bureau, Thailand

Thailand

Police Lieutenant Colonel Worakorn Nattamangkang is a graduate of the Armed Forces Academies Preparatory School and the Royal Police Cadet Academy, Thailand. He holds a Master of Arts in International Relations from University of East Anglia, United Kingdom, and a Master of Public Administration from National Institute of Development Administration. He has completed the Pacific Training Initiative, Session 32, conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), United States of America; the Crisis Management Exercise Program conducted by the Diplomatic Security Special Agent Association, United States of America; the Major Event Security Cooperation Course at International Law Enforcement Academy Bangkok; as well as specialized training programs in Anti-Human Trafficking Suppression and Anti-Money Laundering Suppression under the Royal Thai Police.

He currently serves as Inspector of Inquiry Officer of the Investigation Subdivision, Investigation Division, Immigration Bureau, Royal Thai Police, with nationwide investigative authority throughout the Kingdom of Thailand. His responsibilities include investigations related to immigration law, foreign labor law, and anti-human trafficking law.

He has extensive experience in handling cases involving illegal entry into the Kingdom of Thailand, visa overstay offenses, foreign passport forgery, and investigations concerning major international fugitives, including subjects of INTERPOL Red Notices and individuals wanted by foreign authorities. He has also been involved in victim identification and screening processes in human trafficking-related cases, including online scam operations and illegal prostitution cases. In addition, he previously served as a member of the Special Operations Task Force for the suppression of illegal foreign labor under the Ministry of Labour, Thailand. He participated in the ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on Transnational Crime 2019, ASEANAPOL 2025 Conference hosted by Thailand, contributing to the drafting of cooperative agreements among member states. Furthermore, he has attended official study visits and professional exchanges at the European Union and NATO Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, as well as police affairs study programs in Malaysia, Singapore, and Brunei.

PANELLIST'S PROFILE



Ms. Li Yujie

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Resident Expert of Chongqing International Center for Policy and Legal Services of Airport Economic Zone
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Ph.D in Law, researcher at the Institute of International Law, Southwest University of Political Science and Law, and the China-ASEAN Legal Research Center, as well as a researcher at the Institute of Maritime and Natural Resources Law. Her research focuses on international law, Malaysian law, and international dispute resolution mechanisms.

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