

# 7th Asia Pro Bono Conference Program

25th to 27th October 2018, Hong Kong

DAY 1	
Time	Sessions
8.00 - 9.00	<b>Registration</b>
8:45-9.00	<b>Welcome</b>
9.00 – 10:00	<p><b>OPENING CEREMONY</b></p> <p>The Honourable Geoffrey Ma Tao-li, Chief Justice, Court of Final Appeal, Hong Kong</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Introduced by May Tai, Herbert Smith Freehills</i></li> </ul> <p>The Honourable Teresa Cheng, Secretary of Justice, Hong Kong</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Introduced by Justin Tang, Linklaters</i></li> </ul>
10:05 – 11.00	<p><b>PLENARY            The quest for identity and justice.</b></p> <p><i>Many people around the world are prevented from accessing legal and social protections because they lack proof of their legal identity. According to the World Bank, there are an estimated 1.5 billion people, the majority of them living in Asia and Africa, who are unable to prove their identity. In this session, participants will learn about the global initiatives that aim to support development of large scale identification systems. The panel will explore key issues, challenges and ways pro bono actors can engage to ensure access to legal identity for all, grounded in local realities and experiences of ordinary people.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Sumaiya Islam, The Open Society Foundation</i></li> <li>• <i>Khalid Hussain, Council of Minorities, Bangladesh</i></li> <li>• <i>Jelvas Musau, UNHCR</i></li> <li>• <i>Kay McArdle, PathFinders</i></li> <li>• <i>Maalini Ramalo, DHRRA Malaysia</i></li> </ul>
11.00 – 11:30	<b>Break</b>
11:30 – 11:35	<p><b>MY STORY</b>            <i>Introduced by Annalie Chow</i></p> <p><b>CHERILYN TAN</b></p> <p>First-hand accounts by individuals transforming access to justice in Asia</p>

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11:35 – 12:30	<p><b>PLENARY            Towards a More Tech-Aware Pro Bono Community</b></p> <p><i>This plenary will raise awareness of current technologies used to improve the public's access to justice. It will also cover how technology is being applied to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the work of pro bono legal practitioners. What are the legal and ethical implications of the adoption of these technologies? This session is designed to assist practitioners better formulate their tech-enabled practice management plan to enhance their pro bono practices.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sebastian Ko, Epiq</li> <li>• Verlebie Chan, Microsoft</li> <li>• Cherilyn Tan, Asia Law Network</li> <li>• San Ng, The Asia Foundation</li> <li>• Mark Blick, Diginex</li> </ul>
12.30 - 1.30	<b>LUNCH</b>
1.30 – 2:45	<p><b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>A Inspiring the Profession</b></p> <p><i>In this session, the presenters will share their experience of the ways in which professional associations, law firms and international organisations can inspire lawyers to take responsibility for community legal needs in diverse pro bono cultures.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Richard Yip, Denis Chang's Chambers</li> <li>• Philip Dykes, Hong Kong Bar Association</li> <li>• Irum Ahsan, Asian Development Bank</li> <li>• Andrew Dale, Ropes &amp; Gray</li> <li>• Nirmala Masilamani, Indonesian Bar Association</li> </ul>
1.30 – 2:45	<p><b>B Refugees and resettlement</b></p> <p><i>This session will engage participants in a dialogue about the current state of forced displacement globally and how legal service providers can show moral leadership. Led by an international panel of experienced practitioners working in the region, the session will consider different approaches to the refugee problem and ask some tough questions, for example, should there be borders? This session will map and identify current and potential legal service partnerships, collaborations and initiatives in Asia.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lynette Nam, Justice Centre Hong Kong</li> <li>• Jirim Kim, GongGam</li> <li>• Matthew Bersani, Shearman &amp; Sterling</li> <li>• Emma Dunlevie, Russell Kennedy Lawyers</li> </ul>
1.30 – 2:45	<p><b>C A Beginners Guide to Pro Bono in Asia</b></p> <p><i>The what, why, who, where and how of pro bono for firms and corporate counsel. What are the basic steps? How do you decide who you can assist? How do you manage pro bono in a</i></p>

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	<p><i>small law firm? What are the challenges and opportunities for in-house counsel setting up a pro bono program?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Corker, Australian Pro Bono Resource Centre</li> <li>• Tan Cheow Hung, Beacon Law Corporation</li> <li>• Trishna Mohan Kripalani, Thomson Reuters Foundation</li> <li>• Mary Ho, UBS AG</li> <li>• Leontine Chuang, PILnet</li> </ul>
2.45 - 3.00	<b>Break</b>
3.00 - 4.00	<p><b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>A Globalizing Pro Bono</b></p> <p><i>Establishing a global and local framework for a pro bono practice requires structure, consistency of approach, partnerships and a narrative. But one size does not fit all. Local circumstances don't always sit comfortably alongside global intentions. So how do we successfully 'glocalise' a pro bono program? Do we need to switch the focus to 'lobalising'? In this interactive session, our expert panel will discuss all these issues and more, and help you create a take-home checklist to activate within your organisation.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dan Creasey, King &amp; Wood Mallesons</li> <li>• Marlene Halpern, Center for Reproductive Rights</li> <li>• Catherine Husted, Allen &amp; Overy</li> <li>• Vicky Man, Herbert Smith Freehills</li> <li>• Mohammed Rakinul Hakim, DLA Piper</li> </ul>
3.00 - 4.00	<p><b>B Global Pro Bono and the United Nations</b></p> <p><i>How can the UN Treaty Bodies help increase access to justice and equality? This session will define the roles of the Treaty Bodies and how Treaty processes can be utilized. The presenters will provide examples of recent pro bono matters where the UN and pro bono providers have collaborated, such as UNICEF's Global Study on Children Deprived of Liberty. The session will also focus on the Sustainable Development Goals and the connectivity between the UN Treaty Bodies and achieving the Sustainable Development Goals.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Catriona Martin, DLA Piper</li> <li>• Changho Kim, Human Rights Now</li> <li>• Grace Agcaoili, UNICEF</li> <li>• Sara Malkani, Center for Reproductive Rights</li> </ul>
3.00 - 4.00	<p><b>C Hidden in plain sight - Women as collateral damage in international development</b></p> <p><i>The development sector is not immune to exploitation. This session will focus on building robust systems and controls within charities and international organisations to ensure the integrity of service delivery, having regard to the #metoo movement and recent high profile cases.</i></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Urszula McCormack, King and Wood Mallesons</i></li> <li>• <i>Stephen Tsui, Oxfam</i></li> <li>• <i>Micaela Cronin, Hagar International</i></li> <li>• <i>Josh Heiliczer, EY</i></li> <li>• <i>Priyanka Chirimar, Action Against Prohibited Conduct</i></li> </ul>
<p>Various times between:  5:30 pm - 8:30</p>	<p><b>Networking Receptions for Interest Groups</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. The Difference Pro Bono Can Make: A Look at Immigration Detention and International Legal Professionalism</b> - <i>organised by The Global Pro Bono Bar Association and UNHCR and kindly hosted by Morrison &amp; Foerster.</i></li> <li><b>2. How lawyers can provide LGBT+ focused advocacy and support</b> - <i>organised by HK GALA (the Hong Kong Gay and Lesbian Attorney Network) and DLA Piper and kindly hosted by DLA Piper.</i></li> <li><b>3. Drugs, crime and punishment: women and the need for access to justice</b> - <i>organised by the International Drug Policy Consortium and kindly hosted by Linklaters.</i></li> <li><b>4. Pro Bono: The Next Generation</b> - <i>organised by Singapore Law Society Pro Bono Services and kindly hosted by Shearman &amp; Sterling.</i></li> <li><b>5. How men and lawyers can support the women's movement</b> - <i>organised by PILnet, HER Fund and Stephenson Harwood and kindly hosted by Stephenson Harwood.</i></li> </ol>

<b>DAY 2</b>	
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8.30 – 9:00	<b>Updates and Conference News</b>
9:00 – 9:25	<b>PRO BONO GUIDE LAUNCH</b> <b>Pro Bono Legal Work in Hong Kong - A Guide for In-House Counsel</b> <i>Lin Shi, President, Association of Corporate Counsel (Hong Kong)</i>
9:25 - 9:30	<b>MY STORY</b> <i>Introduced by Annalie Chow</i> <b>DAVYD WONG</b> First-hand accounts by individuals transforming access to justice in Asia
9:30 – 10:30	<b>PLENARY</b> <b>Pro Bono for Migrant Workers</b> <i>This session will identify some of the key access to justice challenges for migrant workers facing legal and economic exploitation. This session will discuss specific impactful pro bono collaborations that are being utilised to end this exploitation.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Archana Kotecha, Liberty Global/Asia</i></li> <li>• <i>Douglas MacLean, Justice Without Borders</i></li> <li>• <i>Susan Clear, Macquarie Group Foundation</i></li> <li>• <i>David Hillard, Clayton Utz</i></li> <li>• <i>Jelita Pandjaitan, Linklaters</i></li> </ul>
10.30 – 11:00	<b>Break</b>
11:00-11:05	<b>MY STORY</b> <i>Introduced by Annalie Chow</i> <b>WALLY SUPHAP</b> First-hand accounts by individuals transforming access to justice in Asia
11:05-12:30	<b>PLENARY</b> <b>Advocacy, Influence and Breaking Through:</b> <i>This session will engage participants in a timely and important discussion of the business and human rights movement. Specifically, it will showcase how the United Nations, businesses and pro bono lawyers have and can continue to collaborate to make a difference.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights</i></li> <li>• <i>Martin Rogers, Davis Polk</i></li> <li>• <i>Susan Clear, Macquarie Group Foundation</i></li> <li>• <i>Antony Crockett, Herbert Smith Freehills</i></li> </ul>
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	<p><b>A Investing in Justice</b></p> <p><i>Finding funding for access to justice work can be difficult for pro bono practitioners, yet it is a vital skill to gain, or at least understand, for anyone interested in growing or sustaining legal assistance. In this session we will consider how to better communicate the need for justice programs, discuss how to identify and engage with potential funders and also check out new law firm and NGO models for funding legal services.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annette Bain, DLA Piper</li> <li>• June Lim, Eden Law</li> <li>• Wendy Morrish, BABSEACLE</li> <li>• Yasmin Batliwala, A4ID</li> </ul>
1:30 – 2:30	<p><b>B Emerging Pro Bono Communities in the South Asia Region</b></p> <p><i>This session brings together pro bono legal service providers, and policy leaders from a number of South Asian jurisdictions to engage in a dialogue about their experience of scaling up initiatives which assist in delivering access to justice. The aim of the session is to share varied experiences across the South Asia region in an interactive forum and trace a roadmap for strengthening the emerging pro bono culture in the region. There will be a focus on a variety of divergent themes including pro bono related legal services for prisoners; child victims of sexual abuse; the strengthening of paralegal efforts; restorative justice for minority communities and the role of non-traditional actors in supporting access to justice.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sumaiya Islam, The Open Society Foundation</li> <li>• Mariam Faruqi, i-Probono</li> <li>• Trishna Mohan Kripalani, Thomson Reuters Foundation</li> <li>• Ram Tiwari, Nepal Institute of Justice</li> <li>• Haya Zahid, Legal Aid Society, Pakistan</li> </ul>
1:30 – 2:30	<p><b>C Future Pro Bono Advocacy</b></p> <p><i>This session will focus on a variety of ways and means to promote the need and use of pro bono related to alternative dispute resolution spheres. This will include a vibrant discussion of different forms, models and manners where pro bono services can function, or be employed, to increase and improve access to justice for indigent and vulnerable parties in alternative dispute resolution situations.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minh Nguyen, Pacific International Arbitration Center</li> <li>• Yasunobu Sato, University of Tokyo</li> <li>• Daryl Chew, Shearman &amp; Sterling</li> <li>• Donald C. Peters, University of Florida</li> <li>• Helen Winter, R3SOLUTE</li> <li>• Sebastian Winter, R3SOLUTE</li> </ul>
2:30 – 2:45	<b>Break</b>

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2:45 – 4:00	<p><b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>A People Trafficking and the Financial Sector</b></p> <p><i>This session will discuss how to coordinate multi-sectoral solutions in the fight against people trafficking. In particular, this session will explore how pro bono initiatives can partner and collaborate with the financial sector to take on a leadership role in this fight.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archana Kotecha, Liberty Global/Asia</li> <li>• Hon. Dennis Kwok, Hong Kong Legislative Councillor</li> <li>• Nicholas Turner, Clifford Chance</li> </ul>
2:45 – 4:00	<p><b>B Paralegals, Pro Bono and Building Legal Empowerment in Asia</b></p> <p><i>This session will present concrete experiences of collaborations between grassroots paralegals and legal empowerment groups, on one hand, and pro bono legal service providers, on the other hand, in helping communities understand, use and shape the law, and address various justice issues. The session will explore strategic ways of expanding and deepening this collaboration, and identify opportunities for further partnerships.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Marlon Manuel, NAMATI</li> <li>• Jargalsaikhan Khunan, Mongolian Bar Association</li> <li>• Febi Yonesta, Indonesia Legal Aid Foundation</li> <li>• Maria Generosa T. Misleng, Alternative Law Groups</li> <li>• Atchara Chan-O-Kul, International Rescue Committee</li> <li>• Laura Bingham, The Open Society Foundation</li> </ul>
2:45 – 4:00	<p><b>C Pro Bono and Ageing Populations</b></p> <p><i>This session will identify some of the key access to justice challenges faced by ageing populations in Asia, and globally, and demonstrate core comparative examples of the means and ways pro bono legal service providers can help to support this vulnerable population. The session will also focus on strategies to reduce common risks faced by ageing populations.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bruce A. Lasky, Lanna Lawyers and BABSEACLE</li> <li>• Akiko Sato, Kotonoha Law</li> <li>• Shaun McCarthy, University of Newcastle</li> </ul>
4:30 – 5:30	<b>Networking</b>
5:30	<i>Buses to Jumbo Kingdom for the Jumbo Celebration Dinner,</i>
6:30	<b>Jumbo Celebration Dinner – Jumbo Kingdom, Shum Wan Pier Drive, Aberdeen</b>

## DAY 3

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9:00-10:00	<p><b>ROUNDTABLE</b></p> <p><b>Infrastructure for the Asia Pro Bono Conference</b></p> <p><i>The Asia Pro Bono Conference continues to grow momentum across the region and globally. This is a planning session for all those interested in assisting in further establishing a framework to strengthen and sustain the Conference and its impact, both short term and long term.</i></p> <p><i>Facilitator: Bruce A. Lasky, Lanna Lawyers and BABSEACLE</i></p>
10:00-10:05	<p><b>MY STORY</b> <i>Introduced by Annalie Chow</i></p> <p><b>ERIC CHEUNG</b></p> <p>First-hand accounts by individuals transforming access to justice in Asia</p>
10:05-11:15	<p><b>PLENARY</b></p> <p><b>What does a social justice lawyer look like?</b></p> <p><i>Hear first-hand accounts from a diverse group of lawyers on their personal journey from law student to social justice lawyer.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Davyd Wong, Association of Corporate Counsel, Hong Kong</i></li> <li>• <i>Sandy Yeung, Sidley Austin</i></li> <li>• <i>Hien Bu, The Open Society Foundation</i></li> <li>• <i>David Hillard, Clayton Utz</i></li> <li>• <i>Muzammil Hairiri, Abdul Raman Saad</i></li> </ul>
11:15- 11:30	<p><b>Break</b></p>
11:30 -12:30	<p><b>Student Pro Bono</b></p> <p><i>This session will engage participants in a critical discussion of the regional successes and challenges faced in the development of a pro bono culture in law schools in Asia. In doing so it will explore how student led, and student related organizations and initiatives, including the Asian Law Students' Association and the Global Pro Bono Bar Association, are assisting in revolutionizing pro bono culture, throughout the region and globally.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Helena Whalen-Bridge, National University of Singapore</i></li> <li>• <i>Prin Laomanutsak, Asia Law Students Association</i></li> <li>• <i>Shaun McCarthy, University of Newcastle</i></li> <li>• <i>Jonathan Tan, National University of Singapore</i></li> <li>• <i>Robert Houston, Global Pro Bono Bar Association</i></li> </ul>
12:30 – 1:30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>



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1:30 – 2:45	<p><b>CONCURRENT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>University Law Clinics</b></p> <p><i>This session will explore the myriad relationships between university law clinics and pro bono lawyers. It will discuss current initiatives that are helping individuals access legal support as well as reflecting on any obstacles, alternative approaches and new opportunities to grow the network of law clinics with the assistance of pro bono lawyers.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Lindsay Ernst, University of Hong Kong</i></li> <li>• <i>Eric Cheung, University of Hong Kong</i></li> <li>• <i>Bridget Burton, University of Queensland</i></li> <li>• <i>Udomsak Jiragarnkulgasame, University of Phayao</i></li> </ul>
1:30 – 2:45	<p><b>Who needs pro bono?</b></p> <p><i>This session will cover how to find legal need in a community, develop strategies in response and implement them. It will also dive into deeper questions about listening to the voices of marginalised people to ensure that the wants and needs of the clients themselves are being heard? What should be our response if a vulnerable population does not want legal assistance? How ought we build their trust in the law and lawyers?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Pavina Thephithuck, BABSEACLE</i></li> <li>• <i>Jennifer Cheung, Mayer Brown</i></li> <li>• <i>Yuval Elbasha, Ono Law School</i></li> <li>• <i>Sue Garlick, LawRight</i></li> <li>• <i>Patrick Wong, Legal Aid Department, Hong Kong</i></li> </ul>
2:45 – 3:00	<b>Break</b>
3:00 – 4:00	<i>Buses to the Asia Society for the Closing Reception,</i>
4:00 – 6:00	<b>Closing Reception - Asia Society, 9 Justice Drive, Admiralty</b>