

# Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Malaysia Branch)

## *Young Members Group* Essay Competition 2014

### The CI Arb Young Members Group (Malaysia Branch)

is pleased to announce its inaugural Essay Competition 2014

The CI Arb Young Members Group (Malaysia Branch) invites all full-time students enrolled in any programme in any university / college in Malaysia who are below the age of 40 to enter the CI Arb YMG Essay Competition 2014. Participants need not be members of the CI Arb.

The Essay Title is :

**“MALAYSIA, THE FUTURE HUB OF  
ARBITRATION IN ASIA”**

The Closing Date for entries is :

**15<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2014 at 5p.m.**

Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners and with an opportunity of an internship with leading law firms in Malaysia.

For further details and the Rules of the Essay Competition, please see the attached.

1<sup>st</sup> Prize : RM3,000  
and an optional internship\*

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize : RM2,000  
and an optional internship\*

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize : RM1,000  
and an optional internship\*

### Sponsors



ZICOlaw

SKRINE

Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill  
\* advocates and solicitors



**Young Members Group of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Malaysia Branch)**  
Unit G-3-8, Block G, Plaza Damas, 60 Jalan Hartamas 1, 50480 Kuala Lumpur  
Tel: +603 – 6203 5457 Fax: +603 – 6203 5471 Email: [ciarbmb@gmail.com](mailto:ciarbmb@gmail.com)

<http://www.ciarb.org.my/>

# The Judging Panel



**DATO' K. C. VOHRAH**, retired Court of Appeal Judge, studied law at the University of Singapore and has a Master of Law degree from the Free University of Brussels. In 1964 he was admitted and enrolled as an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya. He served previously in the Judicial and Legal Service of Malaya.

Dato' K.C. Vohrah is active both in domestic and international arbitration work. He serves on the Panel of Arbitrators, the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration. He is also on the Regional Panel of Arbitrators, Singapore International Arbitration Centre and is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitration (SIArb). At present he is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in the Hague, Netherlands and a member of the Advisory Board of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration, a division of the Centre for American and International Law. He is also a consultant with Messrs Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill.

**JUSTICE DATO' MARY LIM THIAM SUAN** read law at the University of Leeds, England. Her ladyship was admitted to Lincoln's Inn as a Barrister-at-Law and later pursued her Masters of Law at the University of Western Australia, Perth. Prior to her elevation to the High Court Bench of Malaysia, her Ladyship served in various capacities at the Attorney General's Chambers of Malaysia. These include as Federal Counsel, Senior Federal Counsel, Senior Assistant Parliamentary Draftsman, Legal Advisor to the State of Negeri Sembilan, Deputy Head of Civil Division before her last assignment as the Commissioner of Law Revision and Reform. During that period, she frequently represented the Federal Government and the State Government of Negeri Sembilan in many public interest cases. She was also responsible for drafting a fair number of legislations, both amending and original bills. At present, her ladyship is the presiding judge of the Construction Court located at the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex.



**CATHERINE CHAU** is a Chartered Arbitrator, and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, U.K. She is a Barrister-at-Law of Gray's Inn, and was admitted to the Bar of England and Wales in 1991. She is also an Advocate and Solicitor of the High Court of Sabah and Sarawak. She read law at the University of Kent at Canterbury, England. She holds a Master of Laws degree in Corporate and Commercial Law from the University of London, a post-graduate Diploma in Arbitration, and a post-graduate Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration. She is listed on the panel of arbitrators of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration. She sits as an arbitrator and also appears as Counsel in arbitration proceedings. She is currently the Chairperson of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Malaysia Branch; Vice President of the Sabah Law Association, and Chairperson of its Sub-Committee on Alternative Dispute Resolution.



## **RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CI Arb YOUNG MEMBERS GROUP (MALAYSIA BRANCH) ESSAY COMPETITION 2014**

### **1. Competition topic**

- 1.1 “Malaysia, The Future Hub of Arbitration in Asia”

### **2. Eligibility**

- 2.1 The Competition is open to all persons who on the deadline for submission, is —
- (a) under 40 years old; and
  - (b) a full-time student enrolled in any programme in any university or college in Malaysia.

### **3. Evaluation criteria**

- 3.1 Competition entries will be judged on the following criteria (in no particular order) —
- (a) originality;
  - (b) critical analysis;
  - (c) succinctness;
  - (d) clarity; and
  - (e) persuasiveness.

### **4. Essay format**

- 4.1 Every essay must —
- (a) be in English;
  - (b) be under 3,500 words in length (including appendices, footnotes, references, tables etc.);
  - (c) be typed using a spacing of 1.5;
  - (d) use Times New Roman font with —
    - (i) a font size of at least 12 for text; and
    - (ii) a font size of at least 10 for footnotes; and

### **5. Submission of essays and identification of author**

- 5.1 All essays must be submitted in Microsoft Word format via e-mail to “*ciarbmb@gmail.com*”.
- 5.2 The deadline for submission is 5p.m., 15<sup>th</sup> October 2014.
- 5.3 Subject to paragraph 5.4, essays must not contain any information which may identify the author.



- 5.4 Each essay must be submitted with a separate cover sheet containing the following information:
- (a) author's name and age;
  - (b) author's NRIC or passport number (where the author is not a Malaysian citizen or permanent resident);
  - (c) author's e-mail address;
  - (d) author's mobile telephone number;
  - (e) author's college/university student identification particulars; and
  - (f) total word count (including appendices, footnotes, references, tables etc.).
- 5.5 The essay and cover sheet must be submitted as separate documents in the same e-mail.
- 6. Original work only**
- 6.1 Each essay must be the sole creation and original work of the participant which has not been previously published in any form.
- 7. Intellectual property**
- 7.1 By participating in this competition, each participant grants the CI Arb YMG (Malaysia Branch) and CI Arb (Malaysia Branch), free of charge, a non-exclusive, irrevocable licence to —
- (a) use his essay for promotional purposes or any other purpose; and
  - (b) use his name in any advertising or promotional material or in any CI Arb YMG (Malaysia Branch) and CI Arb (Malaysia Branch) publications, without permission from or further notice to the participant.
- 7.2 Winning entries may be published on CI Arb YMG (Malaysia Branch) and/or CI Arb (Malaysia Branch) publications, subject to the usual editorial procedures.
- 8. Judging panel**
- 8.1 The competition judging panel will comprise of members appointed by committee of the CI Arb YMG (Malaysia Branch).
- 8.2 All decisions of the competition judging panel are final and non-appealable.
- 9. Disqualification**
- 9.1 Any entries may, at any time, be disqualified if it does not satisfy any of the requirements set out herein.

## 10. Prizes

10.1 The prizes are as follows —

- (a) **First prize:** RM3,000.00 and an option for a 4-week attachment\* with the ADR Department of (in alphabetical order): Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill, SKRINE or Zaid Ibrahim & Co.
- (b) **Second prize:** RM2,000.00 and an option for a 4-week attachment\* with the ADR Department of (in alphabetical order): Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill, SKRINE, or Zaid Ibrahim & Co.
- (c) **Third prize:** RM1,000.00 and an option for a 4-week attachment\* with the ADR Department of (in alphabetical order): Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill, SKRINE or Zaid Ibrahim & Co.

*\*subject to the terms and/or conditions which may be imposed by the respective firms.*

10.2 Winning entries may be published on CI Arb YMG (Malaysia Branch) and/or CI Arb (Malaysia Branch) publications, subject to the sole discretion of the aforementioned bodies with the usual editorial procedures.

10.3 The award of all or any of the prizes lies solely within the discretion of the competition judging panel, including the right to refuse to award any prize.

## 11. Interpretation

11.1 The decision of the competition judging panel on the interpretation of these rules shall be final and non-appealable.

## 12. Queries

12.1 Please direct any queries by email to [ciarbmb@gmail.com](mailto:ciarbmb@gmail.com).