



SIArb-SCMA MARITIME ARBITRATOR'S FELLOWSHIP COURSE 2023

The SIArb-SCMA Maritime Arbitrator's Fellowship Course ("Course") will be offered by the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators ("SIArb") in conjunction with Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration ("SCMA").

The Course will comprise SIArb's Fellowship Assessment Course ("FAC") which will be held either in a hybrid or fully online format, in conjunction with SCMA's Maritime Arbitrator Accreditation Programme ("MAAP") which will be held in person.

Candidates may also elect to attend FAC as a stand-alone or MAAP only (for candidates who already have a sound understanding of the fundamentals of the law and practice of arbitration).

COURSE SYNOPSIS

FELLOWSHIP ASSESSMENT COURSE (FAC)

FAC consists of 6 modules with a total of 9 self-study lectures, 6 live practical workshops and an Award Writing Examination:

- <u>Module 1</u> will cover the basic concepts and principles on the sources of law, the law of contract, the law of tort, and the treatment of evidence. Candidates who have obtained a degree in law from a university or other tertiary institution recognised by the SIArb (or such other legal qualifications as the SIArb may in its absolute discretion accept) are exempted from Module 1 and Practical Workshop 1. All other candidates are required to attend Module 1 and attend Practical Workshop 1.
- <u>Module 2</u> relates to (i) the acceptance of an arbitral appointment, covering topics such as conducting conflict checks and making disclosures before or when accepting an appointment; (ii) dealing with jurisdictional challenges; and (iii) emergency arbitrations.
- <u>Module 3</u> covers (i) case management in conducting an arbitration; (ii) techniques for controlling time and costs in an arbitration; and (iii) drafting procedural orders.
- <u>Module 4</u> covers (i) dealing with interlocutory applications; (ii) drafting discovery orders; (iii) dealing with costs of interlocutory applications; (iv) dealing with extension of time applications and guerilla tactics; and (v) dealing with preliminary issues.
- Module 5 covers the conduct of the evidentiary hearing.
- Finally, <u>Module 6</u> covers the practical aspects of actually writing the Final Award.
- In the <u>Practical Workshops</u>, lecturers and workshop leaders will address questions from candidates and show practical examples of an arbitrator's work product such as procedural orders, Redfern Schedules, discovery orders and interim awards. In <u>Practical Workshop 6</u>, the lecturer of Module 6 will dissect a sample award to see how it should, or should not, be written.
- In the <u>Award Writing Examination</u>, candidates will be required to write an enforceable final award.

Format and Delivery

SIArb will conduct FAC in a hybrid or fully online format as follows:

- 1. Each lecture will be delivered online by way of a Zoom webinar recording which can be accessed remotely and on demand via the SIArb's Online Course Portal during the period specified in the Course Schedule below. Each candidate is required to view each lecture in sequence and in its entirety. The first lecture is preceded by an Introductory Video by the Course Director. The total scheduled duration of all lectures is about 13.5 hours and will be available for self-study via the SIArb's Online Course Portal.
- Practical Workshop 1 will be led by Workshop Leaders and conducted virtually on SIArb's Zoom meeting platform on 23 October 2023.
- Practical Workshops 2-6 will be led by Workshop leaders in a live interactive class which can either be attended:
 - a. Virtually on SIArb's Zoom meeting platform on 27 and 28 October 2023; OR
 - b. In person at the Workshop venue on 3 and 4 November 2023.

Each candidate is required to attend, either virtually or in person, the full duration of each Practical Workshop, the dates of which are specified in the Course Schedule below. The total scheduled duration of all 6 Practical Workshops is 10 hours.

The Award Writing Examination is an open-book examination which will be conducted virtually on SIArb's online course portal and/or on the Zoom meeting platform over a period of 3.5 hours (inclusive of a 30-minute reading period) on the date specified in the Course Schedule below. Each candidate is required to sit for and pass this

written examination by writing an enforceable final award within the time and based on the facts given. For more details on the FAC course coverage, please click HERE.

*While candidates may elect to attend the Practical Workshops in person or via Zoom, in an effort to be more environmentally friendly, SIArb will not provide physical copies of reading materials, lecture or presentation slides. Instead, each candidate who has been successfully registered for FAC will receive personalised login details to SIArb's Online Course Portal to access all reading materials, lecture videos, presentations slides and the online examination as set out in the Course Schedule. Should any candidate wish to obtain a physical folder with the printed reading materials, lectures and presentations slides, a separate fee for such printed materials will be payable. Please contact the SIArb Secretariat for assistance.

Completion of FAC

To complete the FAC successfully, a candidate must:

- (a) Achieve 100% attendance at all the Practical Workshops; and
- (b) Pass the Award Writing Examination.

Criteria for Admission to FAC

Admission to the FAC is open to:

- 1. Lawyers or non-lawyers who have at least 10 years of involvement in litigation, arbitration or dispute resolution; OR
- 2. Lawyers or non-lawyers who are or have been active arbitrators, and can provide documentary evidence of such experience; OR
- 3. Those who have successfully completed the International Entry Course conducted by SIArb or such other equivalent course as may be recognised by SIArb; OR
- 4. Those whom SIArb, at its absolute discretion and in the particular circumstances of the case, considers to be suitable candidates for the FAC.

MARITIME ARBITRATOR ACCREDITATION PROGRAMME (MAAP)

SCMA's MAAP consists of 2 workshops held in-person on 30 October 2023 and an online Written Assessment on 31 October 2023.

1. Module 1: The Legal Framework: Litigation & Maritime Arbitration – 2.5 hours

This module will cover an overview of maritime arbitration and issues specific to maritime arbitration, in particular, a discussion on various ADR solutions (costs and time frames), litigation (why it is less suited to commercial parties), and arbitration (advantages and disadvantages of arbitration in a maritime context, fundamental features of maritime arbitration and others).

2. Module 2: The SCMA Framework – 2.5 hours

This module will cover the SCMA framework for maritime arbitration and will include the SCMA Model Arbitration Clauses, the Expedited Claims Procedure, the Expedited Arbitral Determination of Collision Claims (SEADOCC), managing arbitration and legal costs, and managing the arbitration procedure.

See MAAP outline HERE for detailed programme structure and more details of the MAAP Faculty HERE.

To complete the MAAP successfully, a candidate must:

- (a) Achieve 100% attendance at the workshops; and
- (b) Pass the MAAP Online Written Assessment.

DATE & TIMING

Dates: 11 September - 7 November 2023

FAC Lectures	
Lecture videos (and the Introductory Video) will be accessible remotely and on demand during this self-study period.	9.00am on 11 September 2023 to 6.00pm on 7 November 2023

Virtual Practical Workshop 1 (23 October 2023) – applies to all FAC candidates who are not exempted from Module 1		
Date	Time	Workshop
23 October 2023	10.30am - 12.00pm	Online Workshop 1 for Module 1

Virtual Practical Workshops 2 to 6 (27 – 28 October 2023) – applies to candidates electing to take the FULLY ONLINE format of FAC			
Date	Time	Workshop	
		Course Director's Opening Remarks	
27 October 2023	9.00am – 3.30pm	Virtual Workshop 2 for Module 2	
27 October 2023	9.00am – 3.30pm	Virtual Workshop 3 for Module 3	
		Virtual Workshop 4 for Module 4	

		Day 1 Wrap Up
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		Virtual Workshop 5 for Module 5
28 October 2023	9.00am – 2.30pm	Virtual Workshop 6 for Module 6
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In-Person Practical Workshops 2 to 6 (3 – 4 November 2023) – applies to candidates electing to take the HYBRID format of FAC		
Date	Time	Workshop
		Course Director's Opening Remarks
		In-Person Workshop 2 for Module 2
3 November 2023	9.00am - 3.30pm	In-Person Workshop 3 for Module 3
		In-Person Workshop 4 for Module 4
		Day 1 Wrap Up
		In-Person Workshop 5 for Module 5
		In-Person Workshop 6 for Module 6 (Part 1)
4 November 2023	9.00am - 3.00pm	In-Person Workshop 6 for Module 6 (Part 2)
		Course Director's Closing Remarks & Briefing on Online Examination

NB: SIArb reserves the right to allocate candidates to groups for the Practical Workshops. Candidates should ensure they are available for the full day on both dates.

Online Award Writing Examination – applies to all FAC candidates		
Date Time		
7 November 2023	9.30am – 1.00pm	
	(Login at 9.00am sharp)	

MAAP Schedule (In-Person Workshops and Online Written Assessment):

30 October 2023	9.00am - 9.15am	Registrations
	9.15am - 10.30am	Module 1: The Legal Framework: Litigation & Maritime Arbitration
	10.30am - 10.45am	Break
	10.45am - 12.00pm	Module 1: The Legal Framework: Litigation & Maritime Arbitration
		(cont'd)
	12.00pm – 1.15pm	Lunch
	1.15pm – 2.30pm	Module 2: The SCMA Framework
	2.30pm – 2.45pm	Break
	2.45pm – 4.00pm	Module 2: The SCMA Framework (cont'd)
	4.00pm – 4.30pm	Closing Remarks & Briefing on Written Assessment
31 October 2023	10.00am – 12.30pm	Online Written Assessment

ASSESSMENTS

- The FAC Award Writing Examination is an open-book examination which will be conducted virtually on SIArb's online course portal and/or on its Zoom meeting platform over a period of 3.5 hours on 7 November 2023, 9.30am 1.00pm (login at 9.00am sharp). Each candidate is required to sit for and pass this written examination by writing an enforceable final award within the time and based on the facts given.
- The MAAP Written Assessment is an open-book examination which will be conducted virtually on SIArb's online course portal and/or on its Zoom meeting platform on 31 October 2023, 10.00am 12.30pm. Each candidate is required to sit for and pass this Written Assessment.

CERTIFICATE(S) GRANTED UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION

- 1. A candidate who successfully completes both FAC and MAAP will be awarded a "Certificate of Fellowship in Maritime Arbitration" jointly issued by SIArb and SCMA. A candidate who has successfully completed the Course may, subject to satisfying other relevant criteria, apply for admission as a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.
- 2. A candidate who successfully completes only FAC will be awarded SIArb's "Fellowship Assessment Course Certificate". A candidate who has successfully completed FAC may, subject to satisfying other relevant criteria, apply for admission as a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.
- 3. A candidate who successfully completes only MAAP will be awarded the SIArb-SCMA "Certificate of

Completion of the Maritime Arbitrator Accreditation Programme".

**COURSE FEES

HYBRID FAC FORMAT (IN-PERSON WORKSHOPS, ONLINE LECTURES & EXAMINATION) + IN-PERSON MAAP

Member of SIArb or SCMA	Non-Member
S\$4,700 (All Modules of FAC plus MAAP)	S\$5,200 (All Modules of FAC plus MAAP)
S\$4,100 (Modules 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 of FAC plus MAAP)	S\$4,600 (Modules 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 of FAC plus MAAP)

FULLY ONLINE FAC FORMAT + IN-PERSON MAAP

Member of SIArb or SCMA	Non-Member
S\$4,300 (All Modules of FAC plus MAAP)	S\$4,800 (All Modules of FAC plus MAAP)
S\$3,700 (Modules 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 of FAC plus MAAP)	\$\$4,000 (Modules 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 of FAC plus MAAP)

IN-PERSON MAAP

S\$1,400 (MAAP only)	S\$1,600 (MAAP only)

^{**}MCF Training Grant is available for eligible course participants (only for MAAP component). Please refer <u>HERE</u> for information on the MCF Training Grant.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Credit Card: Please visit http://siarb.org.sg/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=193. Go to PAYMENT FOR OTHER EVENTS and enter payment details accordingly.
- ❖ PAYNOW: UEN S81SS0016CUOB | Entity Name Singapore Institute of Arbitrators
- Cheque: Made payable to "Singapore Institute of Arbitrators" and mail to "c/o Intellitrain Pte Ltd, 12 Eu Tong Sen Street, #08-169, SOHO 2 Clarke Quay Central, Singapore 059819" or Fax to (65) 6225 9426.
- Bank Transfer/Internet Banking: Account name Singapore Institute of Arbitrators | Account number 208-308-736-8 | Name of Bank United Overseas Bank Limited | SWIFT Code UOVBSGSG | Bank Address 148 Upper Bukit Timah Road, UOB Centre Singapore 588178.

For further enquiries, please contact the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators

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REGISTRATIONS

All registrations and payments must be made online **HERE**.

For enquiries, please contact the SIArb Secretariat:

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TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

To properly participate in the hybrid or online course, you will require the following which must be put in place before the Practical Workshops and Online Examinations (no exceptions will be entertained):

- 1. A laptop or computer (as typing will be required during the virtual Practical Workshops and Online Examination, accessing via mobile phone or other mobile devices is not encouraged)
- 2. Stable Internet access from the same laptop/computer— a wired connection is recommended (this is especially important for taking the online written assessment)
- 3. An Internet browser on the same laptop/computer
- 4. A video camera (either external or built-in to your laptop or computer) to participate in the virtual Practical Workshops and Online Examination
- 5. Zoom Client for Meetings

If you have not used Zoom before, click <u>HERE</u> to download the latest version for security reasons. Even if you already have Zoom installed, we recommend that you check to ensure you have updated to the latest version due to frequent security upgrades and to ensure that your laptop/computer meets the minimum requirements for the use of Zoom.

REGISTRATION, REFUND & CANCELLATION POLICY

- 1. The closing date for registrations is 29 September 2023 or whenever the Course is fully subscribed, whichever is the earlier.
- 2. Holding of the in-person Practical Workshops is subject to the approval of any relevant government authorities, including the Singapore Tourism Board.
- Places to attend the Practical Workshops in-person are limited and will be allocated by SIArb based on various qualifying criteria (including COVID-19 risks) and in order of priority upon receipt of registration and all payments due.
- 4. SIArb reserves the right to update or amend the details of the programme and/or the faculty without prior notice.
- 5. No refunds will be made for cancellations or no-shows by those registered. If you are unable to attend the Course or any part thereof, an equivalent and eligible substitute may attend in your place at no extra charge provided that at least 14 days written notice prior to the commencement of the self-study period for the Lectures on 11 September 2023 is given to SIArh
- 6. SIArb reserves the right to refuse to register or admit any participant, and to cancel or postpone the Course.
- In-person attendees must abide by all COVID-19 safe management measures imposed by the Government, the Course venue and SIArb.

- 8. If you are displaying any COVID-19 symptoms, we encourage you to perform self-testing. If you test positive, please do not attend the Practical Workshops in-person and contact SIArb accordingly.
- 9. Verification of COVID-19 Vaccination Status is not required for admission to the in-person Practical Workshops and Safe Management Measures do not apply as of 10 October 2022, based on prevailing national guidelines in Singapore. Should there be any updates from the Ministry of Health (Singapore) leading up to the Event, SIArb will be in touch with further information.
- 10. Mask wearing is optional at all times during the in-person Practical Workshops. Please practice good personal hygiene, including frequent washing of hands.
- 11. By completing this form, you fully consent to the collection, use and disclosure of your personal data as appears in any form, document or electronic template, by SIArb. [CLICK HERE TO READ OUR PRIVACY POLICY]

Practice Area: Alternative Dispute Resolution

Training Level: Advanced

CPD Points:



MAAP only - 5.5 Public CPD Points

MAAP and FAC Modules 2 to 4 – 10.5 Public CPD Points

MAAP and FAC Modules 5 to 6 - 10 Public CPD Points

SILE Attendance Policy

For In-Person MAAP and/or Hybrid FAC Format: Participants who wish to obtain CPD Points must comply strictly with the Attendance Policy set out in the CPD Guidelines. For this activity, participants are reminded to sign in on arrival and sign out at the conclusion of each day of the event in the manner required by the organiser. Participants must not be absent from each day of the event for more than 15 minutes. Participants who do not comply with the Attendance Policy on any particular day of the event will not be able to obtain CPD Points for that day. Please refer to http://www.sileCPDcentre.sg for more information.

For Fully Online FAC Format: Participants who wish to obtain CPD Points are reminded that they must comply strictly with the Attendance Policy set out in the CPD Guidelines. For this activity, this includes logging in at the start of the webinar and logging out at the conclusion of the webinar on each day of the activity, and not being away from any part of the webinar for more than 15 minutes on each day of the activity. Participants who do not comply with the Attendance Policy on any particular day of the activity will not be able to obtain CPD Points for that day of the activity. Please refer to http://www.sileCPDcentre.sg for more information.

RICS:

Module 1: 1.5 Formal CPD Hours Modules 2 to 4: 4.5 Formal CPD Hours Modules 5 to 6: 4 Formal CPD Hours

RICS members can obtain and submit CPD hours for attendance of SIArb events. More details <u>HERE.</u>

BOA-SIA: 4 CPD points

SPM: TBC

PEB:

Module 1: 1 PDU Modules 2 to 6: 9 PDUs

SIArb awards a prize for the best arbitral award written by a candidate in the Fellowship Assessment Course 2023.

The winner of the prize will be announced at SIArb's Annual Dinner on 29 November 2023.

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