

ACICA AND AAA SIGN HISTORIC TRADE ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

The American Arbitration Association (AAA) and the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA) have signed a trade co-operation agreement to promote and advance international commercial arbitration including the use of the facilities available at each organisation.

The agreement also covers matters such as the appointment of arbitrators, the situs for proceedings and applicable rules as well as co-operation in the area of education and training.

Since its incorporation in 1985 ACICA has concluded co-operation Agreements and Trade Arbitration Agreements with the major international arbitral centres.

VISITORS TO AUSTRALIA

Mr Harry L. Arken, Lawyer and Arbitrator of Denver, Colorado, U.S.A. During his visit Mr Arken addressed meetings of Institute members in Sydney, Brisbane and Melbourne.

The Hon Tan Boon Tek, Attorney-General, Singapore, who delivered a paper entitled "Singapore as a Venue for International Commercial Arbitrations" at the Institute's Conference. Mr Tan was accompanied by Mr Jeffrey Chan Wah Teck, Senior State Counsel, Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore.

Mr Boo Geok Seng Lawrence, Secretary-General elect, Singapore, International Arbitration Centre attended the Institute's Conference in Darwin.

The Hon Mr Justice Kaplan, Judge, High Court, Hong Kong delivered a paper entitled "Hong Kong Dispute Solutions" at the Institute's Conference in Darwin.

The Hon Mr Justice Ellis, Supreme Court, Papua New Guinea attended the Institute's Conference in Darwin.