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Standing International Forum of Commercial Courts (SIFoCC) and the National Justice Academy (NJA) of India presents “E-dispute resolution – a judicial conversation”

27 November 2021

London, United Kingdom	Sat, 27 Nov 2021 at 08:30 GMT
Brasilia, Brazil	Sat, 27 Nov 2021 at 05:30 BRT
New Delhi, India	Sat, 27 Nov 2021 at 14:00 IST
Singapore, Singapore	Sat, 27 Nov 2021 at 16:30 SGT
Australian Eastern Time, AET	Sat, 27 Nov 2021 at 19:30 AEDT
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Sat, 27 Nov 2021 at 16:30 MYT

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Programme Outline

- 1400 **Welcome** – Lord John Thomas (SIFoCC Steering Group Chair) [3 mins]
- 1405 **Opening remarks** –Hon’ble Dr. Justice D.Y. Chandrachud, Supreme Court of India, Chair of E-Committee [10 mins]
- 1415 **Session 1 - technology and AI, in court and in business**

Sub points:

- **What court technology will be continued or developed post-pandemic?**
- **How do we define “AI” in the context of dispute resolution; what is it and what is it not?**
- **What do we have to gain from AI in dispute resolution and what do we have to be concerned about?**
- **How do we prepare for technology and AI in court? What type of procedural rules and safeguards will technology and AI in dispute resolution require?**
- **How do we bring lawyers and users - and other judicial colleagues - with us in using technology and (where appropriate) AI in dispute resolution?**
- **How do we prepare for technology and AI in business? How do we keep judges abreast of technology in commerce in order that they can understand the cases that they will hear?**

Speaker 1 – Rt Hon Lord Justice Birss, Deputy Head of Civil Justice, England and Wales [7 mins]

Speaker 2 – Hon’ble Mr. Justice Rajiv Shakhder, High Court of Delhi [7 mins]

1430 Facilitated peer to peer discussion around the table

1450 **Session 2 – addressing backlog and complexification**

Sub points:

- **How complex can an individual case get, and why?**
- **What are the expectations of the parties in a complex case, especially internationally and in business?**
- **What are the wider consequences of a highly complex case in the system?**
- **What enhanced case management techniques (and use of technology) are available or needed for cases of the greatest complexity?**
- **Can we establish what causes backlog in a legal system?**
- **What enhanced case management techniques (and use of technology) are available or needed for addressing backlog?**
- **Is technology the author of complexity and backlog or part of the answer?**

Speaker 1 – Chief Justice Sundaresh Menon, Supreme Court of Singapore [7 mins]

Speaker 2 – Hon’ble Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth, High Court of Madras [7 mins]

1505 Facilitated peer to peer discussion around the table

1520 **Session 3 - technology and AI in an integrated system of courts, arbitration and mediation**

Sub points:

- **What is the full potential of technology and AI in dispute resolution?**
- **Can we usefully move further towards seeing litigation, arbitration and mediation as integrated parts of one system rather than as alternatives?**
- **How can technology assist with this?**
- **How might this help with tackling complex cases and tackling backlog?**
- **Where can technology and AI make the multi-party cases or class actions of the future more manageable?**

Speaker 1 – Federal Judge Isabela Ferrari and Daniel Becker, Director of New Technologies of the Brazilian Centre for Mediation and Arbitration (CBMA) – Brazil [7 mins in total]

Speaker 2 – Hon’ble Mr. Justice G.S. Patel, High Court of Bombay [7 mins]

1535 Facilitated peer to peer discussion around the table

1550 **Closing remarks** – Justice Julie Ward, Chief Judge of Equity Division, New South Wales, Australia [5 mins]

1555 **Next steps and SIFoCC 2022** - Lord John Thomas [3 mins]

1600 **Close**

Attendees

- Hon'ble Dr. Justice D.Y. Chandrachud, Supreme Court of India, Chair of E-Committee
 - Hon'ble Mr. Justice Rajiv Shakdher, High Court of Delhi
 - Hon'ble Mr. Justice G.S. Patel, High Court of Bombay
 - Hon'ble Mr. Justice Atul Sreedharan, High Court of Madhya Pradesh
 - Hon'ble Dr. Justice Anita Sumanth, High Court of Madras
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- Lord Thomas, Chair of SIFoCC Steering Group
 - Chief Justice Sundaresh Menon of Singapore
 - Lord Justice Birss, Deputy Head of Civil Justice, England and Wales
 - Justice Julie Ward, Chief Judge in Equity, New South Wales, Australia
 - Federal Justice Nallini Pathmanathan, Malaysia
 - Federal Judge Marcus Livio, Director of Programmes at the National Council of Justice of Brazil
 - Federal Judge Isabela Ferrari, Brazil
 - Daniel Becker, Director of New Technologies of the Brazilian Center for Mediation and Arbitration (CBMA)
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- NJA Director – Justice A. P. Sahi

SIFoCC Secretariat

- Mr Justice Robin Knowles
- Grace Karrass
- Nike Adewale

Optional Pre-reading

- SIFoCC Work Themes – 2021-2022 (attached)
- [CJ Menon's Article on Complexification](#)
- [Victor Beauty or Beast Article](#)
- [SIFoCC Case Management Principles](#)

Please note:

- (1) Speakers are invited to take one or more sub points, of their choosing
- (2) The meeting will be recorded