



FAI Programme

31 March – 15 April 2025
Hong Kong & Vienna

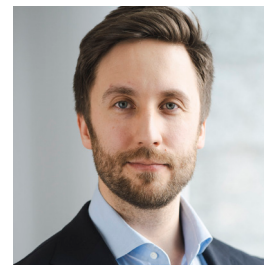


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Henrik Sajakorpi
Secretary General, FAI



Dear colleagues, partners, and friends,

Each year, the Vis Moot and the Vis East Moot bring together law students, arbitration practitioners, academics, and other legal professionals from around the world. More than just competitions, they serve as a platform for learning, professional growth, and building lasting connections across continents. For many, myself included, they have shaped career paths, whether in arbitration or elsewhere.

I am particularly pleased that FAI's arbitration rules were selected as the procedural rules for the 32nd Vis Moot and the 22nd Vis East Moot. This marks a significant milestone for FAI and underscores our commitment to supporting the study and practice of international arbitration. It is also an opportunity to engage with the global arbitration community, showcase Finland's arbitration expertise, and share FAI's approach to dispute resolution—one built on efficiency, pragmatism, and fairness.

With the oral finals now underway, participating teams are fully immersed in preparation and pleadings. At the same time, FAI is hosting a series of events in Vienna and Hong Kong, including panel discussions, interviews, and festive galas, that serve as key meeting points for members of the global arbitration community.

In this FAI Programme, you will find details on our events, as well as partner contributions and our appreciation for their support. The programme also includes reflections from Ambassador Nina Vaskunlahti and Consul General Timo Kantola. Lastly, you will find a flyer for Helsinki International Arbitration Day, FAI's flagship conference in May, bringing together leading arbitration professionals from the Nordics and beyond.

I look forward to catching up with familiar faces, meeting new colleagues, and sharing thoughts and experiences over the coming days at our events and throughout the oral finals in Vienna and Hong Kong.

FAI Events in Hong Kong and Vienna



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PETRI TAIVALKOSKI



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EMI ROWSE (IGUSA)

From Hong Kong to Helsinki: Navigating Cultural Differences in International Arbitration

Monday, 31 March 2025 | 6:30 HKT

HONG KONG



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International Arbitration and Trade in Asia: Exploring the Finnish Arbitration Framework

Tuesday, 1 April 2025 | 6:30 PM HKT

HONG KONG



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Renewable Energy Disputes: Trends and Challenges Towards a Sustainable Future

Friday, 4 April 2025 | 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM HKT

HONG KONG



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FAI Gala: 22nd Vis East Moot

Friday, 4 April 2025 | 7:00 PM HKT
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The Dark Side of the Energy Transition: Risks and Disputes in Renewable Energy Projects

Saturday, 12 April 2025 | VIENNA
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM CEST



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FAI Gala: 32nd Vis Moot

Sunday, 13 April 2025 | 6:30 PM CEST
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Senior Ministerial
Adviser

International Arbitration and Trade: Exploring the Finnish Arbitration Framework

Monday, 14 April 2025 | 6:00 PM CEST

VIENNA



REGISTRATION:
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The Power of Owning Your Narrative

Tuesday, 15 April 2025 | 3:00 PM CEST

VIENNA



REGISTRATION:
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Reflections from Finland's Ambassador and Consul General



Nina Vaskunlahti
Ambassador of Finland
to Austria



Timo Kantola
Consul General of Finland
to Hong Kong and Macao

Finland has once again been ranked as the happiest country in the world in the United Nations World Happiness Report 2024—for the seventh consecutive year. Happiness is not just a state of mind but the result of many factors: a well-functioning democracy, openness, equality, freedom of expression, good governance, and trust. According to the latest Transparency International survey, Finland is also the second least corrupt country in the world.

Finland is a country of well-functioning institutions. The Finland Arbitration Institute (FAI) was established in 1911, making it one of the oldest arbitration institutes in the world. Arbitration has a long tradition as a dispute resolution method in Finland, and we are known for our constructive role in peace mediation and conflict resolution worldwide.

Finns are often described as cool and pragmatic. When faced with an issue to solve, a problem to tackle, or an arbitration to prepare for, we take a step back, reflect, and carefully consider our approach, perhaps even taking a refreshing dip in a lake to clear our minds, before deciding how to proceed.

FAI's arbitration rules have been selected as the applicable rules for the 32nd Vis Moot and the 22nd Vis East Moot, which commenced in October 2024. The 32nd Vis Moot will take place in Vienna in April, and the Embassy of Finland in Austria is proud to cooperate with FAI during the competition, including by co-organizing a joint event at my residence in Vienna on 14 April 2025.

Stay tuned—the happy, pragmatic Finns with efficient dispute settlement methods are here for you.

I am pleased to welcome representatives of the Finland Arbitration Institute (FAI), along with participants from around the world, to Hong Kong this spring during the Vis East Moot.

Hong Kong is among the top seats for international arbitration and is renowned for its world-class business environment. It is great to see the Finnish delegation here. For those attending the Vis East Moot, this occasion provides an excellent opportunity to learn more about what Finland has to offer in commercial dispute resolution. FAI enjoys strong international recognition, and its arbitration rules are regularly agreed upon in cross-border commercial agreements.

Finland has a strong track record of supporting the rule of law and the rules-based international order. There is a distinct Finnish approach to dispute resolution, one that values straightforwardness, fairness, pragmatism, and respect. These qualities are more important than ever in today's world.

This commitment to fairness and predictability extends beyond dispute resolution to Finland's broader economic outlook. As a small, open economy, Finland relies on export markets and strong international trade relations. Membership in the European Union, the world's largest trading bloc, is crucial for Finland's economic position. At the same time, NATO membership further shapes Finland's international standing.

We all operate in an increasingly global business environment, which brings many advantages but also fuels discussions on level playing fields, fairness, and critical supply chains. These debates highlight the need for clear rules and predictability in international trade relations—and this is where international arbitration plays a key role.

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See you at Vis Moot 2025!



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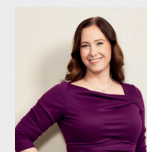
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Hannes Snellman is a proud sponsor of the 32nd Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot and the 22nd Willem C. Vis East International Commercial Arbitration Moot through its partnership with the Finland Arbitration Institute. This year, the Vis Moot competition is held for the first time under the rules of the Finland Arbitration Institute, which makes it all the more exciting for us.

Hannes Snellman has a long history with the Vis Moot competition, and many of our current arbitration practitioners have taken part in the competition in the past, either as competitors or arbitrators. We are committed to raising the future generation of arbitration experts, and being involved in the Vis Moot competition plays a vital part in that. As part of our commitment, our Dispute Resolution Team has for years been organising the Helsinki Pre-Moot.

For many, Vis Moot is the first foray into the world of commercial arbitration, and it can therefore have a huge impact on shaping the future careers of law students. It is also an unforgettable experience that stays with the Mooties forever. One of our Vis Moot alumni, Partner **Anna-Maria Tamminen**, summed up her own Vis Moot experience in the following words:

“Even 20 years after my own Moot year, I can still see the benefits the Moot journey had, not only for my career but also for me personally, since part of my professional network dates back 20 years to the Moot—these are people who I work with today and whose company I still enjoy as much as I did back then”.

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We also appreciate the collaboration and support of the Finnish Arbitration Association, the Embassy of Finland in Vienna, the Consulate General of Finland in Hong Kong, the Consulate General of Finland in New York, and the Finland-Hong Kong Business Association.

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Helsinki International Arbitration Day

16 May 2025
Helsinki, Finland

Helsinki International Arbitration Day (HIAD), organised by the Finland Arbitration Institute, is a leading arbitration conference in the Nordics. Held every two years, it gathers around 250 legal practitioners from the region and beyond to discuss key developments in international arbitration.

This year's discussions will cover recent legislative reforms across Europe, including Finland, and the use of AI and digital tools in arbitration. The program will also explore how advocacy in arbitration has evolved over the years, with insights from platforms like the Vis Moot and the Vis East Moot, as well as the role of technology in shaping advocacy.

The full event program and registration details are available on hiad.fi, and as places are limited, early registration is encouraged.

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