



Practice Area:  
Others/Multi-Disciplinary  
Training Level: General  
Public CPD Points: 6

Expert Witness Institute Singapore Presents:  
**EWI SINGAPORE FOUNDATIONAL TRAINING COURSE**  
**“EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU AN EXPERT?”**  
**- WHO IS AN EXPERT IN THE EYES OF THE LAW?**

18 March 2020

Metropolitan YMCA Singapore, 60 Stevens Road, Singapore 257854

BCA	7 CET Hours	SISV	3 CPD Hours
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**About this Course**

This Course provides an introduction to the fundamentals of Expert Testimony and the legal framework in which it takes place. It is designed to introduce participants to the basic law relating to Expert Testimony generally practised in court in common law jurisdictions and in international arbitration.

Issues to be covered include:

1. Who is an Expert?
2. Who can give expert evidence in court and in arbitration?
3. What is the role of an expert witness in any tribunal?
4. What are the duties and obligations of an Expert?
5. What are the marks of a competent Expert?
6. How should an Expert be trained and can a technical person learn to become an Expert Witness?

Participants who attend the Course in full will receive a Certificate of Participation from EWI Singapore.

**Who Should Attend**

All those who practise as lawyers, experts and those who instruct lawyers and experts as well as those aspiring to practise as experts.

**Programme**

0900-0930	Registration
0930-1030	<b>Introduction to the dispute process: Prof. Leslie Chew SC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Court, arbitrations</li> <li>• Procedural law – evidence</li> </ul>
1030-1100	Tea break
1100-1230	<b>The Expert (Part 1): Prof. Leslie Chew SC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Who is an expert in law?</li> <li>• The legal framework for expert evidence                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In court</li> <li>○ In arbitration</li> <li>○ In inquiries</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
1230-1330	Lunch
1330-1430	<b>The Expert (Part 2): Prof. Leslie Chew SC</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The duties and obligations of an Expert</li> <li>• The different frameworks of taking Expert Testimony                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Conventional method</li> <li>○ Concurrent Evidence</li> <li>○ Expert caucus</li> <li>○ Party Expert</li> <li>○ Joint Expert</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
1430 – 1500	Tea break
1500-1600	<b>The Expert Brief: Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC</b>
1600 -1715	<b>Panel Discussion</b> Moderator: Prof. Leslie Chew SC Panel: Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC, John Gibson, Iain Potter
1715 – 1730	Closing

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Supporting Organisations:





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About the Speakers



**Prof. Leslie Chew SC - President, Expert Witness Institute Singapore; Dean, School of Law at the Singapore University of Social Sciences; Consultant, Withers KhattarWong LLP**

**Prof. Leslie Chew SC** is the Dean of the School of Law at the Singapore University of Social Sciences. He graduated from law school in the then University of Singapore (now NUS) in 1978 and is an Advocate and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore. He is also a Solicitor of England & Wales. He was appointed a Senior Counsel by the Supreme Court of Singapore in 2000 and continues to practice as a Consultant at Withers KhattarWong, primarily at the Commercial Bar. He began his professional career in the Singapore Legal Service and was a Deputy Public Prosecutor and State Counsel with the Ministry of Defence. He was a lawyer in KhattarWong (now Withers KhattarWong, Singapore) for 20 years and was a joint Managing Partner from 1999 to 2006. In 2007, he was appointed a District Judge. He subsequently held office as a Senior District Judge overseeing the Civil Justice Division of the State Courts (then the Subordinate Courts) until he retired from the Singapore Legal Service in March of 2014. Upon retiring from the Singapore Legal Service, he returned to private practice, re-joining his previous firm of KhattarWong LLP. In the course of his career as a lawyer of almost 40 years’ experience both in private practice and public service, Leslie has had a wide practice covering most areas of commercial law including international arbitration. He is a past President and a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators. He is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.



**Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC – Vice - President, Expert Witness Institute Singapore; Deputy Chairman, The Singapore International Arbitration Centre; Essex Court Chambers Duxton (Singapore Group Practice)**

**Mr. Chan Leng Sun SC** is a Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore. He is the Deputy Chairman of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre and the SGX Appeals Committee. He is a member of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR and the Advisory Panel of the Singapore Maritime Foundation. Leng Sun is qualified in Malaysia, Singapore and England. He frequently acts as lead counsel in a broad range of commercial areas that cover technical disputes, maritime law, international trade, insurance, company law and financial fraud. Leng Sun is a Chartered Arbitrator, the Immediate Past President of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SI Arb) and the former Global Head of Arbitration of an international law firm. He has acted as counsel or sat as arbitrator in arbitrations seated in Asia, Europe and USA under ad hoc and institutional rules. Leng Sun is a Singapore delegate to the UNCITRAL Working Group on Arbitration and was a legal officer of the United Nations Compensation Commission in Geneva. Leng Sun is recognized among the top lawyers worldwide by "Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2019", "Who's Who Legal - Arbitration 2020", "Who's Who Litigation – Thought Leaders 2020" and Acritas Stars 2019. He is described by Chambers Asia-Pacific 2017 as "one of the best arbitrators and practitioners in arbitration."



**Mr. John Gibson – Director of Asia, Marine Engineer, Brookes Bell Singapore**

**Mr. John Gibson** was at sea for twenty years before joining the Brookes Bell in 1996. He is a Chartered Engineer, with a Master’s degree, and since 2001 John has been a partner at Brookes Bell. An expert in his field, John uses his extensive consultancy and investigative experience to provide comprehensive assessments of marine and offshore casualties and disputes. The type of investigations John conducts are as diverse as they are thorough. As a member of the Institution of Fire Engineers John also reports on fatal and non-fatal fires. John has provided technical evidence for court proceedings and arbitration around the world and for the last 6 years he has been based in Singapore having set up the Brookes Bell office there. John is also a supporting member of the LMAA and a member of SCMA.



**Mr. Iain Potter – Director, Matson Driscoll & Damico Pte Ltd**

**Mr. Iain Potter** specialises in litigation support and expert witness assignments, in particular those involving business valuations or complex loss of profits claims. He has been instructed as an expert in proceedings before courts and arbitral tribunals in a number of jurisdictions including the UK, Singapore, Malaysia, Thailand, India, Australia and the BVI and has been appointed as a tribunal expert in an UNCLoS arbitration. He is currently pursuing a number of areas of research, including a PhD with the University of Leicester and is overseeing research projects with teams from the National University of Singapore’s Business School, focussing on shareholder derivative actions and on Singapore-listed companies’ cost of capital. Iain is a Fellow of the Expert Witness Institute and a founding Committee Member of the Institute’s Singapore branch.



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2. The Chartered Institute of Singapore (CIOB)	
3. The Institution of Engineers, Singapore (IES)	
4. Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)	
5. Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration (SCMA)	
6. Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (SiArb)	
7. Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers (SISV)	
8. Society of Construction Law (Singapore) SCL(S)	
9. Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers Singapore (SNAMES)	
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1. Registrations will be confirmed upon receipt of full payment accompanied by a duly completed registration form.
2. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse to register or admit any participant, and to cancel or postpone the course.
3. Equivalent substitute delegates are welcomed, subject to the Organisers being notified at least 2 working days before the course of the substitute delegate.
4. The Organisers will not entertain any request for a refund of fees. However, a confirmed registrant who has paid in full the course fees but does not turn up for the course will be entitled to collect a set of the materials provided.

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