



## **WHAT IS THE IPBA?**

The Inter-Pacific Bar Association ("IPBA") is an international association of business and commercial lawyers who live in, or have a strong interest in, the Asia-Pacific region. It was established in April 1991 at an inaugural conference held in Tokyo attended by more than 500 lawyers from the Asia-Pacific region.

## **WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN THE IPBA**

### **IPBA – the Pre-Eminent Bar Association in the Asia-Pacific**

The IPBA has over 1,300 members in more than 60 jurisdictions worldwide, and a track record of 24 years of successful annual conferences throughout the world. With 23 specialist committees from which to choose (21 regular and 2 Ad Hoc), the IPBA also has members representing the entire spectrum of business and commercial legal work. The IPBA is a relatively small, close-knit organization so you will always be able to make new contacts who often turn into friends, whether in the same area of law across the world or from your own neighborhood across different practice areas.

### **The Annual General Meeting and Conference and Member Get-Togethers**

Taking place in a different city every year, the highlight of the IPBA calendar is undoubtedly the Annual General Meeting and Conference. This four-day event features panel sessions on current topics of law based around the conference theme. The conference in Vancouver 2014 highlighted "Sustainability in a Finite World", bringing to the forefront the issues facing the legal and business communities in protecting natural resources while at the same time making progress in business. The IPBA also organizes or sponsors local and regional events, including an annual Asia M&A Forum, an International Construction Seminar in Hong Kong, women's dinners in Paris, and more.

### **Conference and Seminar Savings for IPBA Members**

Through our network of collaborative associations, IPBA members can take advantage of generous discounts to attend legal seminars and conferences held by respected legal and business conference organizers. These represent a substantial savings if attending multiple events throughout the year.

### **IPBA Membership Directory, IPBA Journal, and Speaking Opportunities**

You will appear in the online and printed IPBA directory of members, both of which are important reference sources for potential referrals among IPBA members. Also as a member, you are eligible to be considered as a speaker at all IPBA events, and may submit substantive papers that will be considered for publication in the IPBA Journal, a professional publication issued quarterly.

### **Corporate Counsel Participation**

Recognizing the importance of the role of corporate counsel in Asia-Pacific legal affairs, the IPBA has taken steps to further welcome the participation of in-house corporate counsel as members, speakers and conference participants. For example, in light of company budgetary constraints, the IPBA has reduced both membership fees and Annual Conference registration fees for corporate counsel to further encourage participation.

### **IPBA and APEC**

In 2010, the IPBA and the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation ("APEC") concluded a memorandum to bring both organizations closer together to help promote trade and cross-border investment in the Asia-Pacific. The first act in this new era of cooperation is for the IPBA members' directory to be made available to all APEC officials as well as private parties who are interested in finding legal resources within the Asia-Pacific region. In addition, joint sessions with APEC and IPBA speakers are held at the IPBA annual conference each year.

## **HOW TO JOIN THE IPBA**

Register online at [www.ipba.org](http://www.ipba.org), or e-mail the IPBA Secretariat at [ipba@ipba.org](mailto:ipba@ipba.org).

### **IPBA Secretariat**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Standard Membership   | ¥23,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | 3-Year Term Membership  | ¥63,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Corporate Counsel   | ¥11,800 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Young Lawyers (35 years old and under during membership year) | ¥ 6,000 |

Name: Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name / Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

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