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## Is pro-activeness the solution to arbitration's perceived problems?

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This panel will address different approaches of how to improve efficiency at various stages of proceedings, such as mid-stream conferences, providing preliminary views to parties, having meet & confers and other proactive steps at the document production stage, or so-called Kaplan openings or Reed retreats. Proactive approaches that are typically pursued in disputes in Japan and other civil law jurisdictions in Asia will be showcased, with reflections on the continued efforts made in common law jurisdictions such as Singapore, Hong Kong and the US to have their judiciary and counsel be more proactive, which will surely have a spillover effect into arbitration.

### Moderator



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### Speakers



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