

**The Law Society of Hong Kong Exchange Programme –
Promotion of Hong Kong Legal Services to Malaysia (PS233002)**

(22 August 2025 to 23 August 2025)

Final Report

Background

1. The Young Lawyers Exchange Programme was successfully held from 22 to 23 August 2025 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
2. This initiative crafted to nurture young lawyers into embracing global engagement, cultivating their interconnected affiliations and broadening their international horizons through participations in international events. The 20-person delegation visited the Palace of Justice, the Asian International Arbitration Centre, and a local law firm to gain insights into Malaysia's legal system and practice, and the hosting of the Malaysia-Hong Kong Young Lawyers Symposium.



Observations and Takeaways

Overall

3. Through this young lawyer's exchange programme, The Law Society of Hong Kong reaffirmed the shared commitment with the Malaysian Bar to nurturing the next generation of legal professionals through professional development initiatives. Throughout the Programme, Hong Kong young lawyers were encouraged to step forward, proactively broaden their horizons, and leverage their experience and knowledge to strengthen the rule of law.

Individual Events

4. The rundown of the Exchange Programme is at [Annexure 1](#). Below is an overview of the programme.

Visit to Palace of Justice (22 August 2025)

5. The delegation commenced with a visit to the Palace of Justice, which is also known as Federal Court of Malaysia, the highest Malaysian court, where they were cordially received by Mr Ahmad Fairuz bin Mohd Puzi, the Deputy Registrar of Federal Court.
6. The group then paid a visit to the court's chambers and library, engaging directly with court officials to deepen their understanding of Malaysia's judicial framework. Discussions focused on the unique coexistence of common law, Islamic law, and customary law within the Malaysian legal system, as well as the judiciary's approach to handling complex cases involving these diverse legal traditions.



Visit to a Local Law Firm, Skrine (22 August 2025)

7. The delegation then visited Skrine, one of the largest full-serviced local law firms in Kuala Lumpur, and gained first-hand exposure to its working environment with an office tour including their library.



Visit to Asian International Arbitration Centre (22 August 2025)

8. The delegation visited the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC), Asia's first arbitration institution, renowned for its expertise in resolving international commercial disputes, sports arbitration, and Islamic finance disputes.
9. During the visit, they met with the AIAC Director Dato' Mary Lim Thiam Suan, Assistant Director Mr Danesh Chandran, and Council Member Ms Camelia Yong. The discussions explored the development of arbitration in Asia, with The Law Society of Hong Kong delegation highlighting Hong Kong's ongoing efforts to advance sports dispute arbitration and introducing our advocacy for arbitration for resolving sports disputes.



Meet & Greet Session

10. Later that day, the delegation met with representatives from the National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee of the Malaysian Bar, sharing personal career developments and professional practice challenges in a relaxed atmosphere.



Malaysia-Hong Kong Young Lawyers Symposium (23 August 2025)

11. The inaugural Malaysia-Hong Kong Young Lawyers Symposium brought together nearly 100 participants for vibrant discussions on various topics of growing significance to the legal profession, including comparative analysis of legal systems, sports law and

arbitration, future trends in the legal profession, and the wellbeing and DEI (diversity, equity and inclusion) of legal talents.

12. In the opening of the Symposium, Mr Roden Tong, President of The Law Society, delivered a welcome remark whereby highlighted that The Law Society and the Malaysian Bar are both committed to the same key priority: nurturing the next generation of legal professionals through professional development initiatives. Young lawyers should take the initiative to step forward, proactively broaden their horizons, and leverage their experience and knowledge to strengthen the framework of the rule of law.
13. Mr Tong also mentioned that common law is an integral part of the legal systems in both Hong Kong SAR and Malaysia, allowing young lawyers to share relevant precedents when conducting legal research and preparing for trials. Under “One Country, Two Systems”, Hong Kong possesses unique advantages as the world’s only Chinese and English bilingual common law jurisdiction, and the only common law jurisdiction within China, whereas Malaysia blends common law, Islamic law, and customary law. The legal systems of both jurisdictions offer young lawyers valuable insights to broaden their horizons and enhance professional capability.



14. In the first session titled “Legal System, Comparative Litigation Systems and Ethics”, Council Member Mr Pak Sun Hau highlighted the shared mission of legal professionals worldwide: to uphold justice. He emphasised that professionalism and integrity are the cornerstones of a thriving legal community.

15. In the second session titled “Challenges and Solutions in Sports Transactions and Disputes from a Legal Perspective”, Ms Hin Han Shum, Council Member and Chair of the Young Solicitors’ Group, showcased Hong Kong’s growing role as an international hub for mediation and arbitration in sports disputes. She noted the city’s strategic development as the headquarters of the International Organization for Mediation, further solidifying Hong Kong’s position as a global hub for international mediation.
16. The third and fourth sessions featured lively discussions on future trends in the legal profession, the well-being of legal talent, and the importance of diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI).



17. The Symposium provided an excellent platform for legal practitioners from Hong Kong and Malaysia to engage in meaningful exchanges and collaborative dialogue, fostering strong connections and filled the room with energy and camaraderie. The event concluded with closing remarks delivered by the respective young lawyer representatives. Speeches and PowerPoint slides are available at this [link](#).

Bilateral leadership meeting with President of the Malaysian Bar (23 August 2025)

18. Taking this opportunity of this exchange programme in Malaysia, a bilateral leadership meeting was arranged with the Malaysian Bar.



19. The meeting further strengthened our ties and deepened our shared vision: to provide young lawyers with the platforms, networks, and global perspective needed to thrive in today's interconnected world. Hong Kong, as a common law jurisdiction under "One Country, Two Systems", remains a beacon of legal excellence and international connectivity.
20. With over 1,500 registered foreign lawyers and 80 foreign law firms — including three registered foreign lawyers from Malaysia, the Hong Kong legal community is vibrant, diverse, and open. We warmly invited the Malaysian counterparts to explore the ample opportunities Hong Kong can offer.

Social networking event with the Malaysian Bar (23 August 2025)

21. The programme was concluded with a spirited pickleball match, filled with sweat, laughter, and athletic camaraderie. This unique blend of symposium and sports underscored the growing importance of sports law and the role of sports in fostering international communication and holistic development.



Concluding Remarks

22. This young lawyer' exchange programme sparked meaningful dialogue and collaboration, enhancing connections with our counterparts in Malaysia. We look forward to welcoming the Malaysian Bar delegation to Hong Kong next year for the reciprocal exchange, as we continue to join hands in building bridges and shaping the future of the legal profession.
23. The Law Society is pleased to see the extensive media coverage that has received, which has helped elevate the status of Hong Kong's legal profession on the international stage. A highlight of the media coverage is at [Annexure 2](#).
24. The Law Society extends its sincere gratitude to the Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region for supporting this exchange programme. We remain committed to exploring new opportunities for the Hong Kong legal profession, ensuring its continued growth and global engagement.

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DAY 1 (Friday, 22 August 2025) – Duty visits	
9:30 am – 11:30 am	Visit to Palace of Justice (Court of Appeal and Federal Court) Address: Istana Kehakiman, Persiaran Perdana, Presint 3, 62506 Putrajaya, Malaysia
12:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Firm visit (Skrine) & Lunch Address: Level 8, Wisma UOA Damansara, 50 Jalan Dungun, Damansara Heights, 50490 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Visit to Asian International Arbitration Centre Address: Bangunan Sulaiman, Jalan Sultan Hishamuddin, Kampung Attap, 50000 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	Meet & Greet session - National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee of the Malaysian Bar - Young Solicitors' Group of The Law Society of Hong Kong Address: Bar Council of Malaysia 2, Leboh Pasar Besar, City Centre, 50050 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan, Malaysia
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Dinner
8:00 pm	End of Day 1

DAY 2 (Saturday, 23 August 2025) – Young Lawyers Symposium

Venue: Raja Aziz Addruse Auditorium, Bar Council of Malaysia

Address: 2, Leboh Pasar Besar, City Centre, 50050 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan, Malaysia

9:00 am – 9:20 am	Welcome Remarks - Mr Mohamad Ezri b Abdul Wahab , President, Malaysian Bar - Mr Roden Tong , President, The Law Society of Hong Kong
9:20 am – 9:30 am	Keynote Speech - Ms Kee Hui Yee , Council Member and Co-Chair of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar
9:30 am – 10:30 am	Session 1: Legal System, Comparative Litigation Systems and Ethics Moderator: Mr Arthur Law , Vice-Chair of Young Solicitors' Group, The Law Society of Hong Kong Panellists: - Mr Pak Sun Hau , Council Member, The Law Society of Hong Kong - Ms Kee Hui Yee , Council Member and Co-Chair of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Coffee break

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10:45 am – 11:45 am	<p>Session 2: Challenges and Solutions in Sports Transactions and Disputes from a Legal Perspective</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Vivian Yeung, Member, The Law Society of Hong Kong</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms Hin Han Shum, Council Member and Chair of Young Solicitors' Group, The Law Society of Hong Kong- The Honourable Justice Dato' Anand Ponnudurai, Malaysia High Court Judge- Mr Richard Wee, Chair of Sports Law Practice Committee, Malaysian Bar
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	<p>Networking lunch</p>
1:15 pm – 2:15pm	<p>Session 3: Future Trends, Change Management</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Ooi Jia Liang, Member of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar; and Co-Chair of Young Lawyers Committee, Kuala Lumpur Bar</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Arthur Chan, Member of Young Solicitors' Group, The Law Society of Hong Kong- Mr Gregory Das, Council Member and Member of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar- Mr Sathish Ramachandran, Member of Legal Tech, AI and Sandbox Committee, Malaysian Bar
2:15 pm – 2:45 pm	<p>Coffee break</p>
2:45 pm – 3:45 pm	<p>Session 4: Well-being and DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion)</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Boo Cheng Xuan, Deputy Chair of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Sherman Yeung, Vice-Chair of Young Solicitors' Group, The Law Society of Hong Kong- Dr Celeste Lo, Member of Young Solicitors' Group, The Law Society of Hong Kong- Ms Anishaa Sundramoorthy, Council Member and Co-Chair of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar
3:45 pm	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Ms Hin Han Shum, Council Member and Chair of Young Solicitors' Group, The Law Society of Hong Kong- Ms Anishaa Sundramoorthy, Council Member and Co-Chair of National Young Lawyers & Pupils Committee, Malaysian Bar
4:30 pm	<p>End of Symposium</p>
6:00 pm – 9:30 pm	<p>Networking Activity and Dinner</p>
10:00 pm	<p>End of Day 2</p>

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律師會「年青律師馬來西亞交流團」啟程 拓展國際交流平台

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香港律師會創設「年青律師交流計劃」，鼓勵年青律師「走出去」，積極參與國際活動，與世界接軌，建立互聯互通的人脈網絡，拓展國際視野。律師會年青律師組舉辦年青律師馬來西亞交流團，今日（22日）一行20人飛往馬來西亞吉隆坡，了解當地法律制度與實務。

一眾年青律師到了馬來西亞的最高法院「布城司法宮」，即是馬來西亞聯邦法院，獲該院副司法常務官 Ahmad Fairuz bin Mohd Puzi 接待，進入法院內庭及圖書館參觀。他們充分把握機會，主動積極請教法院人員，認識當地司法制度的運作模式，尤其是當地如何同時實行普通法、伊斯蘭教法及習慣法，法庭如何處理相關複雜案件等。

一行人隨後轉到亞洲國際仲裁中心。那裏是亞洲第一所仲裁中心，熟識處理國際商事糾紛、體育仲裁及伊斯蘭金融爭議等。團員與中心總監 Dato' Mary Lim Thiam Suan、助理總監 Danesh Chandran，以及理事 Camelia Yong 會面，探討了亞洲的仲裁發展。在會上，律師會理事侯百燊及岑顯恆亦提到，目前香港正積極發展體育爭議仲裁，而律師會正推動社會以仲裁解決體育爭議。

他們同日又拜會了馬來西亞律師公會，與當地的年青律師交流，分享各自的職業生涯規劃，及工作時遇到的挑戰，更有機會到過一間當地的律師事務所，體會對方的工作環境。身兼年青律師組主席的岑顯恆指，感謝馬來西亞律師公會鼎力支持，促成此次交流，加深雙邊法律界的聯繫。

明天將迎來重中之重。兩地近百名年青律師共同出席座談會，比較不同法律制度，探討體育法及相關仲裁等。律師會一直致力支持年青律師個人及職業生涯發展，並將會繼續支持青年律師「走出去」，助力鞏固香港的國際法律地位。

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首屆馬來西亞香港年輕律師座談會圓滿結束 兩地近百年青律師積極交流

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香港律師會為提升年輕律師的國際視野，鞏固社會法治建設，為年青律師籌辦馬來西亞交流團，一行 20 人上周五（22 日）飛抵馬來西亞吉隆坡。首屆「馬來西亞—香港年輕律師座談會」昨日（23 日）於馬來西亞吉隆坡圓滿舉行，會上聚集了兩地近百名年青律師出席。

首場小組討論以「法律制度及比較訴訟制度與法律倫理」為題，律師會理事侯百燊指出全球各地法律界專家都秉持一個共同的目標：維護公義。他強調，專業精神與誠信是法律界持續發展的基石。

舉行兩場小組討論

另一場小組討論主題為「從法律視角探討體育行業交易與糾紛的挑戰與解決方案」，香港律師會理事、身兼年青律師組主席的岑顯恆表示，香港正積極推廣其在體育爭議中作為國際調解和仲裁中心的日益重要角色。她提到，香港作為國際調解院總部的戰略發展，進一步鞏固香港作為國際調解之都的地位。

會上，大家亦有就不同的話題進行生動的討論，涵蓋法律行業未來趨勢，以及法律人才身心健康與 DEI（多元、平等、共融）等。這些交流促進彼此建立有意義的聯繫互動，場內充滿了活力與友善的氣氛。

雙邊交流會談進一步深化雙方合作

此外，律師會和馬來西亞律師公會進行了雙邊交流會談，進一步深化雙方合作。香港律師會會長湯文龍在會上強調，交流計劃的重要性在於為香港和馬來西亞的年青律師創造互惠的機會，以便他們能夠互相聯繫、學習，以應對日益複雜的全球法律環境所帶來的挑戰。

湯文龍又分享指，香港在「一國兩制」下沿用普通法，目前有超過 1500 名註冊海外律師和 80 多家海外律師事務所，其中包括 3 名來自馬來西亞的註冊外地律師。香港的法律行業是開放、多元和國際化的典範，為全球各地的法律專才提供發展機會。

香港律師會表示，律師會交流團一行 20 位年青律師很榮幸在本次交流團活動中，與馬來西亞律師公會合作。雙方機構將共同致力培育新一代法律人才，開拓國際

視野，搭建跨境聯繫。律師會熱切期待馬來西亞律師公會交流團明年回訪香港。

活動由香港律師會主辦，並獲得馬來西亞律師公會的支持，最後活動以一場生氣勃勃的匹克球比賽結束，座談會與體育的獨特結合，突顯體育法作為一個新興法律實踐領域的重要性，並強調體育在促進國際交流和全面發展中的作用。