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Danny has been a CEDR Director since 2004. He is a qualified lawyer in Australia and UK. He has been involved in negotiation, conflict resolution training, mediation and international business for over 20 years. After completing his Masters in Commercial Law, Danny worked in the UK in international dispute resolution. Now based in HK, Danny mediates regularly in various sectors with a particular expertise in cross-cultural/multinational disputes.

Danny speaks fluent Mandarin Chinese and has working knowledge of Indonesian. Before entering the legal profession he worked throughout Asia and has managed a number of businesses providing commercial services to international clients. He has worked with people of all nationalities and has a clear understanding of the dynamics across national boundaries.

He has worked to develop CEDR's capacity to offer cross-cultural mediation. His efforts have resulted in CEDR establishing an international mediation service in Beijing with the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT) Mediation Centre.

Danny has delivered conflict resolution courses in different countries. He is a CEDR's training faculty member and Adjunct Professor SMU Singapore. He is in demand as a speaker and has presented papers on ADR and conflict resolution at Asia, Australia, Europe and USA conferences.

In 2008, Danny was seconded to the UN Ombudsman's Office in New York as an expert adviser to set up a new Mediation Division. His report on the design integrated conflict resolution systems formed part of the terms of reference for mediation in the new UN Justice System. In 2009 he was appointed Interim UN Director of Mediation in NY, mediating cases and assisting in staff selection. In 2013, as the World Bank and UN Regional Mediator (Southeast-Asia), he trains staff and acts as an on-call mediator. Danny opened CEDR's first overseas office in HK in 2011 and is currently developing its dispute resolution practice throughout Southeast-Asia. His book "Mediation in Greater China" was published in 2013.

Danny is a member of HKMAAL Council, HK Government's Steering Committee on Mediation, the Law Society of England and Wales, Civil Mediation Council, International Bar Association, World Jurist Association, Asian Lawyers Association and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. Serving on Mediator Panels: ICC Paris, UN Mediation Division NY, ADR Chambers, CEDR Solve, World Bank Group, HKIAC, CCPIT Mediation Centre Beijing and International Commercial Joint Mediation Court of Shanghai Commercial Mediation Centre in Shanghai Pilot Free Trade Zone.