





Seminar on Cross-boundary Family Mediation

Date: 16.2.2022 (Wednesday)
Time: 10:00 am – 12:30 pm
Venue: DoJ Function Hall

(1/F, Main Wing, Justice Place, 18 Lower Albert Road, Central)

Mode: Virtual

Language: Cantonese (except that the presentation by the Mainland speaker will be

in Putonghua), with simultaneous interpretation to Putonghua and English

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International Arbitration Centre; Hong Kong Mediation Accreditation
Association Limited; Hong Kong Mediation Centre; Mainland-Hong Kong

Joint Mediation Center)

Time	Programme
10:00 – 10:10	Opening Remarks
	Ms Teresa Cheng Yeuk-wah, GBM, GBS, SC, JP Secretary for Justice, HKSAR
10:10 - 12:10	The Mainland Judgments in Matrimonial and Family Cases (Reciprocal Recognition and Enforcement) Ordinance and Cross-boundary Family Mediation
	Moderator:
	Mr Vod K S Chan
	Barrister, Chambers of Ronny Wong SC; Accredited general and family mediator
	Speakers:
	Ms Cecilia Lau
	Consultant, Deacons; Accredited family mediator and family mediation supervisor; Executive committee member of the Hong Kong Family Welfare Society
	Mr Eugene Yim
	Barrister, Bernacchi Chambers; Accredited general mediator
	Ms LIU Yang
	Senior Partner and Mediator, Unitop Law Firm (Shenzhen and Guangzhou)







Panel Discussion Topics:

- What are the usual areas of disputes in family/matrimonial matters? What are the difficulties in resolving/reaching mediated settlement agreements in family/matrimonial disputes? How may mediation come to assist?
- What is the mechanism of enforcing cross-boundary family/ matrimonial mediated settlement agreements in Hong Kong and in Mainland? What are the areas to pay attention to when drafting the mediated settlement agreement?
- What is the impact of the Mainland Judgments in Matrimonial and Family Cases (Reciprocal Recognition & Enforcement) Ordinance on family/matrimonial cases and related mediation process? E.g. Would the Ordinance affect the mediator in setting the agenda of the mediation process?
- What are the remaining issues that might hinder the use of mediation in family/matrimonial cases and what is the way forward?

12:10 – 12:30 Q&A Session and Concluding Remarks

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