

BEN GIARETTA – CV

Ben Giaretta is an independent chartered arbitrator. He has worked in international arbitration throughout his career. Since 2009 he has been appointed as arbitrator in more than 35 arbitrations as presiding, party-nominated, sole and emergency arbitrator.

He has worked in many different sectors, with particular focus on energy, construction and infrastructure, and international trade/commodities.

He has worked on disputes all over the world, and in particular on arbitrations seated in London and Singapore, and India-related disputes.

He has held various positions in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and other ADR organisations including as the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the CIArb, Chair of the London Branch of the CIArb, a member of the Court of Assistants of the Worshipful Company of Arbitrators and a member of the Board of Directors of London International Disputes Week.

He has been a lawyer for almost 30 years, having trained at Ashurst Perkins Coie LLP, where he became a partner in 2009. He worked in the Ashurst London office for 12 years and in the Ashurst Singapore office for 7 years. He subsequently joined Mishcon de Reya LLP, and then Fox Williams LLP

Ben has been ranked as a leading individual in international arbitration in various legal directories including Chambers (ranked in Band 1 when he was based in Singapore), Legal 500, Expert Guides and Lexology Index. He has written many articles about international arbitration, and he is the co-author of The Arbitration Act 1996: A Commentary (6th Edition, 2025).

Ben graduated from the University of Oxford and subsequently completed a Postgraduate Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration at Queen Mary University of London. While at law firms he was a solicitor advocate, and he transferred to the English bar in 2026.

For more details see: https://bengiaretta.com.

Presiding arbitrator

- ICC arbitration between a Japanese company and an American company concerning lease fees (seat of arbitration in London)
- ICC arbitration between a Japanese company and a UAE company concerning a sale and purchase agreement (seat of arbitration in London)
- SIAC arbitration between a group of individual vendors and a Mauritius company concerning a sale and purchase agreement in the solar power sector (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
- SIAC arbitration between a Japanese group of companies and a Mauritius company concerning a sale and purchase agreement in the travel industry (seat of arbitration in Singapore)

Party-nominated arbitrator

• SIAC arbitration between an Indian company and a US company concerning the construction of a solar power project (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Singapore company and a Qatari company concerning an airport construction project (seat of arbitration in Qatar)
• SIAC arbitration between an India company and a US company concerning a construction guarantee (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Mauritius company and an Indian group of companies concerning a shareholders agreement in a solar power construction project (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Singapore company and an American company concerning an oilfield licence (seat of arbitration in London)
• ICC arbitration between a Singapore company and an Australian individual concerning a petrochemical process (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• SIAC arbitration between a Spanish company and an Australian individual concerning the operation of toll roads in India (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Mauritius company and Indian promoters about investment in a technology company in India (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• LCIA arbitration between a Swiss trust and a Dutch company about a shareholders agreement in the travel industry (seat of arbitration in London)
• LCIA arbitration between a Chinese company and a Swiss company about the sale and purchase of nickel (seat of arbitration in London)
• SIAC arbitration between Singapore and UAE companies about the sale and purchase of ultra-low sulphur diesel (seat of arbitration in Singapore)

Sole arbitrator

• SIAC arbitration between an Indian company and a Singapore company concerning the sale of palm oil (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• Ad hoc arbitration between a Hong Kong company and a Singapore company concerning the sale of stainless steel (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a South African company and a Vietnamese company concerning the sale of steel (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• Ad hoc arbitration between a Singapore company and a Chinese company concerning the sale of mung beans (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Hong Kong company and a Vietnamese company concerning a sale and purchase agreement (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• Ad hoc arbitration between a Thai company and a Singapore company concerning the sale of grain (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Korean company and a Cambodian company concerning an airport services agreement (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• Ad hoc arbitration between a Singapore company and a Chinese company concerning the sale of iron ore (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• SIAC arbitration between a Chinese company and a Singapore company concerning the sale of chrome ore (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• SIAC arbitration between a Singapore company and a Canadian company concerning a licensing agreement in the restaurant sector (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• ICC arbitration between a Korean company and an American company concerning a tunnelling construction project (seat of arbitration in Singapore)

• SIAC arbitration between a Hong Kong company and a Russian company concerning an IT contract (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• Ad hoc arbitration between a UK football club and a UK stadium owner concerning force majeure as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic (seat of arbitration in London)
• Ad hoc arbitration between a British individual and a UK technology company concerning a technology prototype (seat of arbitration in London)
• LCIA arbitration between a Ukrainian company and a Saudi company concerning the sale of soybean oil (seat of arbitration in London)

Emergency arbitrator
• SIAC arbitration between a Korean company and a Chinese company concerning a home shopping joint venture (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• SIAC arbitration between a Singapore company and a Brunei party concerning the purchase of a UK company (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• SIAC arbitration between a Dutch company and a Hong Kong company concerning a supply agreement (seat of arbitration in Singapore)
• SIAC arbitration between a Singapore company and an Indian company concerning a sale and purchase agreement in the technology sector (seat of arbitration in Singapore)

Qualifications

- MA, Trinity College, Oxford University
- Postgraduate Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration (School of International
- Arbitration, Queen Mary University of London)
- Chartered Arbitrator
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Fellow, Singapore Institute of Arbitrators
- Associate Mediator, Singapore Mediation Centre
- Solicitor-Advocate, All Higher Courts of England & Wales (to 2026)
- Barrister, Middle Temple (from 2026)

Career

- Independent Chartered Arbitrator and Mediator (July 2026 to present date)
- Partner and Head of Dispute Resolution/Head of International Arbitration, Fox Williams LLP (September 2020 to June 2026)
- Partner, Mishcon de Reya LLP (February 2018 to September 2020)
- Partner, Ashurst LLP London (June 2016 to February 2018)
- Partner and Asia Head of Dispute Resolution/International Arbitration, Ashurst LLP Singapore (April 2009 to June 2016)
- Associate/Senior Associate, Ashurst LLP London (September 2001 to April 2009)
- Trainee Solicitor, Ashurst LLP London (September 1999 to September 2001)

Arbitration institution panels

- Asian International Arbitration Centre
- Badan Arbitrase Nasional Indonesia
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Presidential Panel)*
- Dubai International Arbitration Centre
- Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre
- Japan Commercial Arbitration Association

- Korean Commercial Arbitration Board
- London Chamber of Arbitration and Mediation
- Saudi Centre for Commercial Arbitration
- Singapore International Arbitration Centre
- Singapore Institute of Arbitrators

He also accepts appointments for arbitrations under the rules of institutions where he is not on the panel, and under the rules of institutions which do not have panels, such as the ICC and the LCIA.

CIArb appointments/roles

- Chair of Board of Trustees, 2026
- Deputy Chair of Board of Trustees, 2024 to 2025
- Member of Board of Trustees, 2023 to 2026 (and member of the Finance Committee, the Nominations Committee and the Governance Committee)
- Chair, Technology Committee, 2022
- Chair, London Branch, 2020 to 2022
- Honorary Secretary, London Branch, 2018 to 2020
- Committee member, London Branch, 2017 to 2022
- Honorary Treasurer, Singapore Branch, 2015
- Committee member, Singapore Branch, 2010 to 2016
- Faculty member (trainer and examiner), 2010 to 2022*
- Presidential Panel of Arbitrators*

**Membership currently suspended due to being a Trustee*

Other appointments and memberships

- Court Member and Liveryman, Worshipful Company of Arbitrators
- Member, International Committee of the Law Society of England and Wales
- Advisory Board Member, London Chamber of Arbitration and Mediation
- Member of Board of Directors, London International Disputes Week
- Member, International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA)