

# 4 Pump Court at International Congress of Maritime Arbitrators XXIII Singapore 2026

Nick Vineall KC, Sean O’Sullivan KC, James Leabeater KC, James Watthey, Anna Hoffmann, Caroline Ziebart, Carl Wall and Paul Bloxham will be in Singapore for the International Congress of Maritime Arbitrators XXIII. Throughout the week, members will speak at various events:

## Monday 23 March

### 13:30-15:00 | Plenary Session 2: Arbitrator Disclosure

Nick Vineall KC will present a talk titled ‘What is confidential?’.

### 15:30-17:00 | Plenary Session 3: AI in Arbitration

Anna Hoffmann will moderate the session.

## Tuesday 24 March

### 11:00-12:30 | Concurrent Session 3: Types of Arbitration

James Leabeater KC will present a talk titled ‘Party appointed arbitrators: what could possibly go wrong?’.

## Thursday 25 March

### 13:30-15:15 | Concurrent Session 13: Sale and Purchase and Related Issues

Sean O’Sullivan KC will present a talk titled ‘Fair enough? The meaning of “fair wear and tear excepted” in the context of second-hand ship sales and bareboat charter redelivery disputes: legal problems and practical solutions’.

### 15:45-17:00 | Concurrent Session 15: Interim Measures

James Watthey will present a talk titled ‘Orders for sale of lien cargo: the limits of the power?’.

## Friday 27 March

### 13:30-15:00 | Plenary Session 6: Palm Tree Mock Arbitration – Sanctions and Relief from Forfeiture.

Sean O’Sullivan KC will introduce a mock arbitration in which Nick Vineall KC and Caroline Ziebart, counsel for the Charterers, and James Leabeater KC and Anna Hoffmann, counsel for the Owners, will present a mock arbitration session before a distinguished panel of arbitrators: Dato’ Jude Benny (SG), Jon Elvey (UK) and Richard Briggs (UAE).

To view the skeleton arguments, please see [here](#).

Nick, Sean, James, James, Anna, Caroline, Carl and Paul look forward to catching up with clients and friends in the

region. If you would like to arrange a meeting, please contact Senior Clerk, Carl Wall – [cwall@4pumpcourt.com](mailto:cwall@4pumpcourt.com) and Practice Manager, Paul Bloxham – [pbloxham@4pumpcourt.com](mailto:pbloxham@4pumpcourt.com).

For further information on the conference, please see [here](#).