

**CO-OPERATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF ARBITRATORS
AND
THE JAPAN COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION**

THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF ARBITRATORS, A PROFESSIONAL BODY AND CHARITY ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF ENGLAND, ITS REGISTERED SEAT AT LONDON, ENGLAND AND

THE JAPAN COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION, AN ASSOCIATION ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF JAPAN, HAVING ITS REGISTERED SEAT AT TOKYO

JOINTLY REFERRED TO HEREINAFTER AS "THE PARTIES" HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The parties shall co-operate in the promotion of arbitration and alternative means of dispute resolution within Japan and as may be mutually considered desirable elsewhere in the region.
2. The parties shall endeavour to co-operate in the provision of the means of selection, education and training of potential and practising arbitrators as well as those wishing to practice in other alternative means of dispute resolution.
3. The parties shall endeavour to co-operate in the setting up and running of conferences and seminars on arbitration and alternative dispute resolution.
4. The parties shall endeavour to provide research trainees recommended by the other party with assistance and supervision in their studies of arbitration and alternative dispute resolution.
5. The parties shall exchange information on arbitration and alternative dispute resolution both electronically and in hard copy whichever is appropriate.
6. At the request of a party, the other party shall recommend persons suitable in its opinion to act as arbitrator, mediator or conciliator.
7. At the request of a party, administrative services or any other service necessary for conducting arbitrations or alternative dispute resolution proceedings; these services shall be rendered at a cost to be agreed before provision.
8. Subject to the above provision, or unless expressly otherwise agreed to by the parties, each party shall assume the costs of carrying out its objectives under this Agreement.
9. This Agreement shall take effect on the date of the last signature.
10. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time for whatever reasons.
11. The termination shall take effect 30 days from the receipt by a party of a written notice of termination from the other party.

Signed:

Arthur D. Harverd, Chairman

(signed)

For and on behalf of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Date: November 27, 1997

Norihiko Maeda, President

(signed)

For and on behalf of The Japan Commercial Arbitration Association

Date: December 8, 1997