

## **SJ visits Singapore to attend inaugural Forum of Chief Legal Advisors (with photos)**

The Secretary for Justice, Mr Paul Lam, SC, will attend the inaugural Forum of Chief Legal Advisors organised by the Attorney-General's Chambers of Singapore tomorrow (July 26) to discuss topics including international investment dispute settlements, and exchange views with more than 20 representatives from other jurisdictions on international legal and dispute resolution services at the roundtable sessions, to promote the advantages and opportunities of Hong Kong's legal services to participants.

This morning (July 25), Mr Lam attended the 125th Anniversary Commemorative Event of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) and the event's networking lunch. Established in 1899 and located at The Hague in the Netherlands, the PCA is an intergovernmental organisation which aims to facilitate arbitration and other forms of dispute resolution between states. He also paid a visit to the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy of the National University of Singapore to explore collaboration opportunities on future initiatives.

In the afternoon, Mr Lam had a bilateral meeting with the Attorney General of India, Mr R Venkataramani, to exchange views on areas of common interest. He then had a meeting with the Singapore Academy of Law to discuss the development of lawtech in the region and potential co-operation between the two sides on capacity building and other exchange activities for the legal profession. He will attend a dinner with the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the Republic of Singapore, Mr Cao Zhongming, in the evening to brief him on the latest legal developments in Hong Kong.

Upon arrival in Singapore yesterday afternoon, Mr Lam met with the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Singapore, Mr Sundaresh Menon, to discuss matters of mutual interest. He also visited the Maxwell Chambers to exchange views on providing integrated facilities and services for the conduct of alternative dispute resolution activities.

Mr Lam will depart for Hong Kong tomorrow evening.

