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Kai-Chieh Chan is an associate with AHALI Dispute Resolution LLC, specializing in international dispute resolution and public international law. Kai is deeply intrigued by issues of justice, equality and human dignity.

For over 5 years, he has worked on more than two dozen matters in public and private international law, commercial arbitration, and investment arbitration as counsel and a tribunal secretary. He has been actively involved in cases administered by ICSID, LCIA, ICC, SIAC and PCA involving cutting-edge issues of Chinese, English, French, Mauritian and international law. He has also advised a number of NGOs on complex international law issues on a pro bono basis. He has authored and co-authored more than a dozen books, academic articles and blog posts.

Prior to joining AHALI, Kai worked for several international law firms in Paris and was a full-time professor in commercial law.

Selected Representative Experience

- Representing MOL Hungarian Oil and Gas Company Plc in PCA administered ad hoc arbitration against the Republic of Croatia
- Representing MOL Hungarian Oil and Gas Company Plc in an ICSID arbitration against the Republic of Croatia
- Representing a Singaporean investor in an ICSID arbitration against an Asian state
- Representing an African company in a LCIA arbitration against several international investment banks
- Acting for a UK company in its disputes with an international organization

Education

- BA in Economics, National Taiwan University, *Presidential award*
- Professional Career Program, Keio University
- Master of Laws, Sciences Po, *Cum laude*
- Master of Laws in International Law, Paris-Panthéon-Assas University

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- England and Wales (pending)

Selected Pro bono Experience

- Assisting WWF in drafting a memorandum on the draft Global Plastics Treaty
- Assisting Outright International with an amicus submission to Peruvian courts on international human rights issues
- Assisting the Human Trafficking Legal Center with an amicus submission to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
- Assisting an NGO with a proposal on reparation mechanisms for international armed conflicts

Publications

- “L’accord sur la coopération légale avec l’Ukraine et le mémorandum d’entente sur l’enquête conjointe de l’incident du MH17”, *Revue générale de droit international public*, n° 2018/1, pp. 179 - 182 (2018)
- “Le contrôle étatique des sentences arbitrales internationales”, *Nordic Journal of International Law*, Vol. 87, pp. 85 - 88 (2018)
- “The ICJ’s Judgement on the Preliminary Objections in Somalia v. Kenya”, *Utrecht Journal of International and European Law*, Vol. 34(2), pp. 195 - 204 (2018)
- “Contra Proferentem : In Favorem Validitatis”, *Journal de l’arbitrage de l’Université de Versailles* (Lexis Nexis, 2019) (with C. Fan)
- “Álvarez y Marín Corporación and others v. Panama, ICSID Case No. ARB/15/14, Award, 12 October 2018”, *European Investment Law and Arbitration Review*, Vol. 4, pp. 225-239 (2019)
- “China’s Top Court Says No to Arbitrability of Private Antitrust Actions”, *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* (Jan. 23, 2020)
- “The Duty to Mitigate in ISDS: A Billion Dollar Mystery of General Principle of Law”, Alan M. Anderson and Ben Beaumont (eds.), *Investor-State Dispute Settlement System: Reform, Replace or Status Quo?* (Kluwer Law International, 2020) (with C. Fan)
- “Elephant in the Room : Interactions of the Definitions of SCEs in International Economic Law ”, leading article, *Transnational Dispute Management*, Special issue on SOEs (Oct. 2020)
- “The Origin and Evolution of Investment Treaty Standards. Stability, Value, and Reasonableness”, *The Journal of World Investment & Trade*, Vol. 22, pp. 329-334 (2021)
- “Le droit interne comme base éthique du droit international”, *Grandes pages du droit international : Rapport des systèmes*, Pedone, pp. 153-180 (2022)
- “Deciding by Numbers: How Do Legal Indicators Impact State Responsibility in Investment Arbitration”, *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* (Apr. 2, 2022)
- “Law No. 95-17: The Arbitration and Mediation Act of the Kingdom of Morocco”, *International Journal of Arab Arbitration*, Vol. 14(2), pp. 116-149 (2022) (with H. Rharrabi)
- An Introduction to the Law of Arbitration, SSRN, 2022, 104 pages
- An Introduction to International Investment Law, SSRN, 2022, 100 pages.
- “Modes alternatifs de règlement des différends”, *IMIS Policy Paper* (2023) (26 pages) (with H. Rharrabi)

- “Les contrats dans l’ordre juridique international”, *Grandes pages du droit international* : Charles Leben, Pedone, pp. 217-248 (2023)
- “Mediating Commercial Disputes: New Horizons of ADR in Africa”, *Dispute Resolution Journal*, AAA, Vol. 77(1), pp. 1-17 (2023) (with H. Rharrabi)
- “Empirical Study: International Investment Law Protections in Global Banking and Finance”, *BIICL* (2025) (co-author)

Speaking Engagements

- “Inter-State Cooperation in the reform of International Sovereign Debt Architecture” (Cambridge International Law Conference) (Mar. 20, 2021)
- “General Principles of Law on Consent” (University of Oslo) (Sep. 29, 2022)
- “On the selective, discriminatory and progressive method of transnational rules”, (Panthéon-Assas University, Institute of Higher International Studies) (Jun. 21, 2024)

Media Interviews

- RFI, “Kenya v Somalia maritime dispute: the difficult task of drawing a line in the sea” (Mar. 16, 2021)

Languages

- English, French, Chinese and Japanese