

## **Report of the Standing Committee on International Practice 2016**

The International Practice Committee's main areas of activity in 2016 were to prepare a draft revision of Annex 14 (now Chapter 13) of the Bar Code, and associated provisions concerning arbitration and foreign practice, for consideration by the Bar Code Committee and the Bar Council, organize an exchange programme of young barristers and French lawyers with the Conseil National, draft promotional leaflets for use by the HKBA, attend and report on the Department of Commerce's briefing sessions about the Professional Services Advancement Support Scheme (PASS) and prepare a proposal for a grant application, participate in, and speak at, various international conferences on behalf of the Hong Kong Bar Association (HKBA), and participate in meetings with international delegations as requested by the HKBA Chair (including meetings with Ms. Elisabeth Winkelmeier-Becker (Member of the German Bundestag, Germany), Mr. Philippe-Henri Dutheil, President of the European and International Affairs Committee, Conseil National, various officers of the Conseil National, the Moscow State University, advocates of the International Union (Commonwealth) of Advocates (Russia), students of Charles Darwin University of Australia, and the Beijing International Arbitration Centre (BIAC)). The Committee met 4 times during 2016 (in February, June, August and October 2016).

The members of the International Practice Committee in 2016 were Kim Rooney (Chair), Jose-Antonio Maurellet, S.C. (Vice Chairman), Douglas Clark (Vice Chairman), Victor Dawes, S.C., Peter Duncan, S.C. Roxanne Ismail, S.C., Hectar Pun, S.C., Isaac Chan, Thomas Lee, James McGowan, Firoz Nasir, Colin Wright and Richard Zimmern (from August 2016).

May I thank Committee members for their work during 2016. On behalf of the Committee members may I also thank Ms. Amy Lee of the HKBA Secretariat for her great assistance to the Committee in 2016.

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Chair, Standing Committee on International Practice

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