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Featured survey: Experiences with Remote Hearings: A Survey of Users' Views, by Gary Born, Anneliese Day QC and Hafez Virjee - deadline: Friday 3 July 2020

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#DigitalArbitration

SCC Makes Available its Platform Free of Charge for *ad hoc* Arbitrations
23 April 2019, by SCC

#AdhocArbitration
#PlatformAdhocArbitration
#SCCPlatform
Contributed by Lise Alm

The Stockholm Chamber of Commerce and Thomson Reuters offer the SCC Platform fur use by *ad hoc* arbitrations, free of charge for cases commenced during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Decentralised Justice: Reinventing Arbitration for the Digital Age?
30 April 2020, by Sophie Nappert and Federico Ast

#DecentralisedJustice #DigitalArbitration
Contributed by Sophie Nappert and Federico Ast

Discussion on the concept of decentralised justice and how it can be applied in the context of international arbitration using the Kleros system as an example.

[The London Chamber of Arbitration and Mediation will Use Blockchain Technology](#)
26 May 2020, by LCAM

#BlockchainArbitration
#BlockchainMediation
#DigitalArbitration
Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

[The London Chamber of Commerce and Industry](#) launched a new arbitration service: the [London Chamber of Arbitration and Mediation](#), which will use blockchain technology for administering cases and time-stamping events.

[Simpler: Building a Robot and How to Think of ADR Tech](#)
09 June 2020, by Kluwer Arbitration Blog

#DigitalArbitration #ArbitrationAgreement
Contributed by [Adrian Iordache](#)

Discussion on how tech can help ADR with a particular focus on the recently launched software robot, [sArb](#), (Simplified Arbitration Reference Facility) developed by [UitPath](#), a global software company specialised in Robotic Process Automation, and [Bucharest International Arbitration Court](#) (BIAC). The software was designed to provide a fully automated institutional process for the conclusion of arbitration agreements.

#DigitalCourts

[Shanghai Courts Will Start to Replace Clerks with AI Assistants](#)
01 April 2020, by Sarah Dai

#AIAssistant #DigitalClerk #DigitalCourts
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Shanghai Courts will implement a six-month pilot program using AI assistants as clerks. The AI Assistants will transcribe case notes using voice recognition technology, pull out files and present digitised evidence.

[Researchers from the University of Tokyo and British Columbia Designed a Mechanism which Uses Blockchain to Settle Legal Disputes](#)
06 April 2020, by Tokyo University

The authors propose the use of distributed ledger technology to resolve disputes between parties with the use of algorithms. This represents an extension of the technology applied for smart contracts and is suited to business contracts,

sales and auctions. The mechanism is meant to be self-enforceable.

The Supreme Court of India Will Use AI to Translate Orders and Judgments into Nine Vernacular Languages
26 May 2020, by Bhadra Sinha

In order to enhance access to justice, the Supreme Court of India is currently testing AI tools to translate judgments and daily orders into nine vernacular languages. Even if the process will not be fully automated, as the current target is 90% accuracy, human intervention will nevertheless be limited.

Canadian Court Orders Cross-examination by Videoconferencing Despite Party's Objections and Lack of Express Provisions in the Applicable Rules, Because 'it's 2020'
04 June 2020, by Daniel Urbas

In Sandhu v Siri Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara of Alberta, 2020 ABQB 359, Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta (Canada) held that examinations of witnesses by video conferencing are a normal process in modern international litigation or arbitration. The court rejected the party's objections and motivated that "[i]t's 2020".

Members of Russia's Supreme Court Plenum Used Blockchain Technology to Register Their Vote
11 June 2020, by Russian News Agency

During a remote plenary session, Russia's Supreme Court used the online poll system Polys, developed by Kaspersky Lab and based on blockchain technology, to register the results of how its judges voted on five rulings.

#DigitalRights

Cryptocurrency Recognised as Property by the High Court of New Zealand
08 April 2020, High Court of New Zealand

In *Ruscoe v Cryptopia Ltd (in Liquidation)* [2020] NZHC 728, the New Zealand High Court held that cryptocurrencies are a form of property that can be held on trust.

[AI Systems Denied Recognition as Inventors in the US](#)
08 May 2020, by Jason Krieser Adam Camiel

#AIPatents #AIRights
Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

US Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) ruled that artificial intelligence (AI) systems cannot be listed or credited as inventors on a US patent (DABUS decision).

[World Economic Forum Launches 'Blockchain Bill of Rights' (Presidio Principles)](#)
22 May 2020, by the World Economic Forum

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Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

The Presidio Principles outline which users' rights should be protected when building blockchain applications.

[China Passes Legislation which Will Allow its Citizens to Inherit Cryptocurrency](#)
30 May 2020, by Kevin Helms

#CryptoAssetsInheritance #BitcoinRights
Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

China's new Civil Code will include provisions that expand the scope of inheritance rights to protect digital assets such as bitcoin.

#RemoteHearings

[Delos Publishes a List of Resources on Holding Remote or Virtual Arbitration and Mediation Hearings](#)
12 May 2020, by Delos

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Contributed by [Hafez Virjee](#)

The list includes guidance, checklists, protocols, model procedural orders and webinar recordings.

[Technology in Arbitral Proceedings in Light of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic](#)
14 May 2020, by Gauthier Vannieuwenhuyse

Practical guidance regarding the use of technology in arbitral proceedings, in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

#VirtualHearings #RemoteHearings
#RemoteArbitration
Contributed by [Gauthier Vannieuwenhuyse](#)

[Group of Arbitration Practitioners Launches Virtual Arbitration Website](#)
03 June 2020, by Virtual Arbitration

The platform includes news and developments relating to the practice of arbitration using remote tools.

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#RemoteArbitration
Contributed by [Mirèze Philippe](#)

#InOtherNews

[The Law Society of England and Wales Publishes Report on Adoption of Legal Tech by Legal Practitioners](#)
28 March 2020, by The Law Society

The report covers the barriers in adopting legal tech, the disruptive impact of technology and the need for legal tech training for legal practitioners.

#LegalTechTraining #LegalTechReport
Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

[British Standards Institution (BSI) Started a Public Consultation Phase for Designing Smart Legal Contract Specifications](#)
09 April 2020, by Hyperledger

The specifications will create a common standard of requirements regarding the developing of functional elements for use within a smart legal contract.

#SmartContractsDesign #SmartContracts
Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

[Use of Automated Algorithm by a Governmental Authority Leads to Serving of Wrongful Charges of Fraud Against Individuals](#)
01 June 2020, by Stephanie Wykstra

The Michigan Unemployment Insurance Agency admits that 93% of the fraud notifications and fines sent to individuals by the automated algorithm used by the agency were in fact erroneous.

#AlgorithmError
Contributed by [Mihaela Apostol](#)

[Call for papers: AI and Dispute Resolution, DLT and Private International Law](#)
09 June 2020, by University of Lausanne

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Contributed by [Dr Shaheeza Lalani](#)

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