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**Building the Next Decade: PAW Unveils Its** New Identity and Fellowship Initiative



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program designed to shape the next decade of international arbitration. What started as an ambitious gathering of practitioners ten years ago has grown into a worldwide institution with its own emblem, ecosystem, and educational purpose. The evening opened with remarks by Catherine Schroeder, Independent Arbitrator, Founding Partner of Schroeder Arbitration and Co-President of the PAW Organising Committee, who

On 17 November 2025, Paris Arbitration Week ("PAW") marked its 10th anniversary with a launch

event hosted by Linklaters in Paris, unveiling a new identity, expanded initiatives, and a fellowship

welcomed the community and set the tone for the 10th-anniversary launch. She then handed the floor to Alexandre Vaghenheim, VP of Global Legal Data at Jus Mundi and Vice-President of the PAW Organising Committee, who presented the new identity and digital universe. Diamana Diawara, Director for Dispute Resolution Services in Africa at International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and Co-President of the PAW Organising Committee, later outlined key reforms to partnerships and guiding principles, unveiled the PAW Fellowship, and acknowledged the founders and board members who shaped the institution over the past decade. Together, their messages converged on a central theme: PAW is stepping confidently into its next era-more open, more interconnected, and more globally inclusive.

A New Identity for a New Decade The centerpiece of the launch was PAW's new visual identity, symbolizing its transition from a

#### Alexandre explained that the rebrand was not merely cosmetic but conceptual. "PAW today is a

yearly event to a recognized institutional actor in the arbitration world.

global institution," he noted, highlighting how the community's growth demanded an identity that reflects its value, permanence, and international reach.

The foundation of this new identity is an emblem that reimagines the traditional logo. Its geometric design draws inspiration from the iconic lattice structure of the Eiffel Tower, capturing the sense of interconnection and structural strength that has defined PAW's



learning, sharing, celebrating, and togetherness. Its inner corners reflect the core themes that guide PAW's programming and values: rule of law, innovation, diversity, and sustainability. At its centre sits a unifying square, symbolising PAW as a meeting point that connects the global arbitration community. "This emblem is not just a design; it tells our story and the story of the community that built PAW over the last decade." The visual identity, he emphasized, is intended to resonate "immediately and internationally," signaling PAW's position in the global arbitration ecosystem.

trajectory. Its outer corners represent PAW's foundational pillars:

initiatives, knowledge resources, networking platforms, and the new mobile PAW Pass

A Rebuilt Website and Smarter Digital Tools

This emblem now connects a broader, restructured "PAW Universe" comprising partners, media

Alongside its new identity, PAW revealed a completely redesigned website. The new platform has n rebuilt from the ground up to enhance accessibility and event management for both partner and participants.

## Smart invitation tools: Partners can now send personalized invitations or invite entire lists at once.

 Quick registration management: Requests to attend can be validated or declined instantly. PAW Checking App: A new application enabling simultaneous registration and attendance tracking. The tool is designed to help partners and institutions better measure engagement and return on

Key features include:

- These innovations reflect PAW's commitment to continuous improvement: every major feature added in this redesign emerged from user feedback gathered over the past editions. The result is a
- modernized platform capable of supporting PAW's programming and community growth in the

A New Brand Universe: Library, Networking & **Press** With its new emblem and website, PAW has formalized a broader ecosystem—one that transcends

#### **PAW Digital Library** Created to centralize and curate knowledge sharing, the library will continue to expand through

collaboration with institutional and academic partners. It aims to become a permanent reference point for arbitration resources and thought leadership.

#### Introduced in recent years, this tool enables participants to identify who is attending which events during PAW. It has become a valuable connector, facilitating meaningful meetings that extend

**PAW Networking** 

beyond formal panels.

the annual week of events.

**PAW Press** PAW's media initiatives-including PAW On Air-now fall under a unified Press section. This pillar is

expected to grow alongside PAW's communication strategies, amplifying the reach and visibility of

A new mobile application designed to streamline participation across the week. PAW Pass enables instant event registration and facilitates smoother on-site access, making attendance easier and

# **PAW Pass**

knowledge.

arbitration-related content.

more seamless for the community. Together, these programs reinforce PAW's ambition to operate not only as a week-focused platform but as a year-round institution dedicated to education, community-building, and access to



accountability in shaping a more inclusive arbitration ecosystem. The PAW Fellowship: A Flagship Program for

Quoting Yasmin Mohammad, Alexandre reaffirmed the organization's long-standing stance: "We will continue to talk about diversity until it is no longer an issue."

He echoed this commitment, emphasizing that diversity is not only a value but an operational

With this renewed focus, PAW's rebrand becomes a tool not only for identity but for governance and

priority. "We see PAW as a mirror of the community it represents," he said.

especially in regions with limited access to arbitration resources and professional opportunities.

The Fellowship's goal is to identify promising practitioners, provide them with structured

Fellows will participate in a curated series of lectures and seminars focusing on international

Building on this commitment to broader representation, Diawara concluded the evening with the announcement of the PAW Fellowship. This program aims to foster arbitration talent worldwide,

### arbitration. During PAW, they will engage with panels, workshops, and institutional events exposing them to the diversity and quality of programming from PAW's partner organizations.

events, community, and networking opportunities.

The Fellowship includes a mentoring component led by partner firms, coordinated by Athina Fouchard. The program guarantees that fellows continue to receive meaningful guidance, feedback, and professional support even after PAW concludes.

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**Selection Criteria** 

Post-PAW Mentoring

**Global Talent** 

The Program

The Fellowship embodies PAW's ambition to translate its values into concrete, long-term initiatives.

PAW's 10th anniversary marks more than a milestone—it marks the beginning of a new phase. With its new emblem, digital ecosystem, expanded partnership structure, and the launch of the PAW Fellowship, the organization is positioning itself as a leading global platform for arbitration dialogue, education, and community building defined by openness, innovation, and inclusion.

The rebranding is as symbolic as it is strategic: PAW is no longer just a moment in the calendar. It is a permanent, evolving institution with a mission shaped by its diverse, international community.

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educational programming, and invite them to Paris during PAW to experience the full breadth of its

### Eligibility requirements are detailed on the new PAW website. It's aimed at legal professionals with at least three years' experience in dispute resolution, based in Asia or Africa.

Applications are open until 31 December 2025, with selections expected to be announced by mid-

Conclusion

The evening closed with warm thanks to the teams behind the rebranding effort, the founding members who set PAW in motion ten years ago, and the current and former board members who continue to guide its evolution. Their collective work has shaped PAW into what it is today: a dynamic, interconnected community committed to advancing international arbitration.

The upcoming decade of PAW is set to involve more active participation, increased accessibility, and a greater worldwide influence, all rooted in the core principles represented by the new emblem.

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