

Using the Country Q&A Comparison Tool

Learn how to use the Country Q&A comparison tool to compare the law in multiple jurisdictions, find the key legislation or a summary of the law in a country.

1. From the homepage, click on Global Home.
2. You can search or browse the global resources or click on the Country Q&A comparison tool's Start Comparing button.

The screenshot shows the Thomson Reuters Practical Law Global Home page. The navigation bar includes 'Global Home' (highlighted with a red circle and '1'), 'History', 'Folders', 'Favourites', 'Alerts', and 'Sign out'. Below the navigation bar, there is a search bar with 'Search Practical Law Global' (highlighted with a red circle and '2'). The main content area is titled 'Global Home' and includes a 'Feedback' button. There are three main sections: 'Featured jurisdictions' (listing countries like Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, European Union, France, Germany, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Singapore, Spain, Switzerland, The Netherlands, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, and United States), 'Global practice areas' (listing topics like Arbitration, Corporate, Data Privacy & Cybersecurity, Litigation & Dispute Resolution, Real Estate, etc.), and 'Meet the team' (listing 'Our team', 'Contributing firms', and 'Become a contributor'). A 'Start comparing' button is highlighted with a red circle and '2'.

3. From the comparison tool, select a topic from the list, e.g., Arbitration.

The screenshot shows the Thomson Reuters Practical Law Country Q&A comparison tool interface. The navigation bar includes 'Global guides' and 'International transaction guides'. The main heading is 'Global guides | Country Q&A comparison tool'. Below the heading, there is a breadcrumb trail: 'Select a Topic' -> 'Select Questions' -> 'Select Jurisdictions' -> 'Compare'. A message states: 'To start comparing country legal issues across multiple countries, first select a topic.' Below this message, there is a list of topics. 'Arbitration' is highlighted with a red circle and '3'. Other topics include Agricultural Law, Aviation Finance, Banking Regulation, Brexit: Cross-border Mergers, Business Immigration, Capital Markets: Debt, Capital Markets: Equity, Cartel Leniency, Charity, Class Actions, Commercialisation of Healthcare, Franchising, Gaming, Hedge Funds, Insolvency and Directors' Duties, Insurance and Reinsurance, Intellectual Property Rights, Intellectual Property Transactions, International Relocation of Children, International Trade and Commercial Transactions: International Trade in Goods and Services, and International Trade and Commercial Transactions: Sale and Storage of Goods Investing In...

4. Tick the questions that you would like answered.

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Select a Topic → **Select Questions** → Select Jurisdictions → Compare

Topic: Arbitration

Select All 4

- 1. How is commercial arbitration used and what are the recent trends?
- 2. What legislation applies to arbitration?
- 3. Are there any mandatory legislative provisions?
- 4. Does the law prohibit any types of disputes from being resolved via arbitration?
- 5. Does the law of limitation apply to arbitration proceedings?
- 6. Which arbitration organisations are commonly used to resolve large commercial disputes?

5. Select your jurisdictions and click Compare.

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Select a Topic → Select Questions → **Select Jurisdictions** → Compare

Topic: Arbitration

Select All

Australia

Austria

Barbados

Belgium

Brazil

Canada

China

Colombia

Cyprus

France

Germany

Ghana

Hong Kong

Hungary

India

Indonesia

Ireland

Italy

Japan

Kenya

Luxembourg

Macau

Malaysia

Mauritius

Mexico

Myanmar

Romania

Russian Federation

Singapore

South Africa

South Korea

Spain

Sweden

Switzerland

The Netherlands

Turkey

UK (England and Wales)

UK (Scotland)

Ukraine

United Arab Emirates

United States

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Your comparison report shows the answer for each country selected.

6. Answers are written by local law firm experts and reviewed regularly to ensure currency.
7. Use the left and right arrows to see the answers for each question.
8. Use Edit buttons to amend the questions or jurisdictions.
9. Use the delivery tools to email, print, download or store answers in a folder.

The screenshot displays the 'Question 1 of 3' interface. The question is '1. How is commercial arbitration used and what are the recent trends?'. The selected jurisdiction is 'Hong Kong - PRC'. The answer is provided by 'Paul Starr, Mathew Briggs, Suraj Sajinani and Felicity Ng, King & Wood Mallesons' and is dated '01-Mar-2021'. The answer text is as follows:

Use of commercial arbitration and recent trends
Hong Kong is a major seat for arbitration along with London, Paris and Singapore.

The 2018 Queen Mary Survey on International Arbitration, identifies the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) as the fourth most preferred arbitral institution, after the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) and the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC).

The latest HKIAC case statistics (from 2020) reveal that:

- 318 arbitration cases were submitted to HKIAC, of which 203 were administered by HKIAC under the HKIAC Administered Arbitration Rules, the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules or the HKIAC Electronic Transaction Arbitration Rules.

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