

THE INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION SUMMIT

30 November 2017, The Brewery, London

8.15am-9.00am Registration and breakfast

9.00am-9.15am Opening remarks, Stephen Jagusch QC

9.15am-10.05am **Settling disputes in emerging markets – how to use arbitration successfully**

Sponsored by Eversheds-Sutherland

As the boom in contentious work from fast-growth economies continues, for those representing multinationals, knowing how to prepare for a dispute involving emerging markets remains as challenging as ever. This panel will hear from seasoned practitioners to offer a client's guide to operating in high risk strategic territories.

Panel:

Jonathan Leach, Eversheds-Sutherland (chair)

Jacomijn van Haersolte-van Hof, LCIA

Ian Brown-Peterside, Seven Energy

Anthony Sinclair, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan

Fiona Gumede, Engen Petroleum

Zaeem Soofie, BP

10.10-11.00 **Investor-State arbitration is changing. Will it disappear?**

Sponsored by Fietta

Investor-State dispute settlement (ISDS) has proliferated around the world over the past two decades. Recent years have seen a particular increase in claims across Europe. However, a number of States, supra-national organisations and "civil society groups" are unhappy with the system. They want to refashion a regime which they say is not fit for purpose, to make it more "legitimate", "even-handed" and "transparent". From a range of new model BITs, to the EU's proposal for permanent investment courts, to UNCTAD's emphasis on a dispute regime that encourages sustainable investment, proposals for change abound. This panel will consider how ISDS is adapting and may evolve further over the years ahead. It will consider what this means for investors, States and "civil society", and for the future of the rule of law over transnational investment flows.

Panel:

Stephen Fietta, Fietta (chair)

Jiries Saadeh, Fietta

Alejandro Escobar, Baker Botts

Iain Maxwell, Herbert Smith Freehills

Sam Wordsworth QC, Essex Court Chambers

Dominic Roughton, Boies Schiller Flexner

11.00-11.15 Coffee

11.15-12.05 **Reforming arbitration – are attempts to overhaul procedures delivering?**

Sponsored by K&L Gates

With a number of forums currently attempting to shake up rules and procedures to address mounting complaints on cost and delays, we assemble clients and practitioners to ask who is getting in right and what clients still need to see.

Panel:

Ian Meredith, K&L Gates (chair)

Chris Brierly, BP

Nigel Jones QC, Hardwicke

Joe Liu, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre

Tamara Egbedi, Spectrum Geo

12.10-13.00 **Landing the whale – can banks ever be won over to arbitration?**

Sponsored by Boies Schiller Flexner

The financial service industry has for years been the big hold-out from arbitration, even as contentious work has exploded in the sector in the post-Lehman era. This panel explores attempts to make arbitration appealing to the banking community and asks why banks are so reluctant to abandon the courts?

Panel:

Ken Beale, Boies Schiller Flexner (chair)

Octavia Knox-Cartwright, Barclays

Helen Dodds, Standard Chartered

Jeffrey Golden, 3 Hare Court

Richard Salter QC, 3 Verulam Buildings

Kate Davies, Allen & Overy

13.00-14.00 Lunch (sponsored by Geotext)

14.00-14.10 **Enforcement in Luxembourg** – Fabio Trevisan, Bonn Steichen & Partners

14.10-15.00 **Myth-buster: Litigation funding unravelled.**

Sponsored by Augusta

This panel explores the recent evolution of the arbitration market; has it developed sufficiently when it comes to alternative fee arrangements or are in-house counsel left wanting? Dispelling the common myths surrounding litigation funding, panellists address counsel concerns, and whether tribunals are adequately managing funding arrangements.

Panel:

Philip Evangelou, Augusta (chair)

Dorothy Murray, King & Wood Mallesons

James Palmer, Omnia Strategy

Domitille Baizeau, LALIVE

George Burn, Berwin Leighton Paisner

15.05-15.55 **Corruption in international arbitration – time to address the ‘open secret’?**

Sponsored by Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan

This panel will explore persistent concerns regarding corruption in international arbitration and examine the assumptions practitioners make when entering into disputes. Topics will include:

- Are arbitrators placing too much faith in the integrity of the system?
- An assessment of high risk situations to avoid
- Practical responses when encountering corruption

Panel:

Stephen Jagusch QC, Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan (chair)

Meriam Al-Rashid, Dentons

Baiju S. Vasani, Jones Day

Aline Cavalcanti, BHP Billiton

Brody Greenwald, White & Case

15.55-16.10 Coffee

16.10-17.00 **The bottom line – the client perspective**

Sponsored by Watson Farley & Williams

Reflecting on the day’s discussions, this panel will see leading GCs and heads of litigation give their take on the key issues facing companies in arbitration, and outline what they think arbitrators and private practice lawyers need to learn from their clients.

Panel:

Andrew Savage, Watson Farley & Williams (chair)

Dr Russell Richardson, The Oil & Gas Authority

Ian Brown-Peterside, Seven Energy

Aline Cavalcanti, BHP Billiton

Juliet Manteaw-Kutin, AngloGoldAshanti

Defolu Olufon, First E&P

17.00

Drinks Reception