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?

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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
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

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

Enforcement in Luxembourg – Fabio Trevisan, Bonn Steichen & Partners

Myth-buster: Litigation funding unravelled.
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