

# 9TH ANNUAL GAR LIVE LONDON

## CHAIRS



**Paul Friedland**

White & Case

Paul Friedland is a partner in White & Case's New York office and global head (since 2002) of the Firm's International Arbitration Practice Group, which comprises 175 lawyers and is ranked No.1 by Chambers and Global Arbitration Review. Paul has served as counsel or as arbitrator in numerous international arbitrations, both commercial and investor-state, and is repeatedly ranked among the world's leading arbitration practitioners.



**Karyl Nairn QC**

Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom

Karyl Nairn is global co-head of Skadden's International Litigation and Arbitration Group. She focuses on complex international commercial arbitration and litigation, as well as investment treaty arbitration, acting for governments and corporations across a range of industry sectors, including finance and banking, oil and gas, commodities, pharmaceuticals and telecommunications.

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## KEYNOTE SPEAKER



**Dame Elizabeth Gloster**

One Essex Court

Dame Elizabeth Gloster practised as a commercial and Chancery QC at One Essex Court from 1991 until 2004, before accepting an appointment as a High Court judge, becoming the first woman to be appointed a judge of the Commercial Court. She was appointed to the Court of Appeal in 2013 and became Vice-President of the Civil Division of that Court in 2016. Since retiring from the Court of Appeal in 2018, Liz has returned to One Essex Court to practise as a full-time commercial arbitrator.

## SPEAKERS



**Ania Farren**

Vannin Capital

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**Judith Gill QC**

20 Essex Street



**Lord Goldsmith QC**

Debevoise & Plimpton



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**Laurent Lévy**

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**Robert Pé**

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**Sat Plaha**

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**Noradèle Radjai**

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**Audley Sheppard QC**

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**Laurence Shore**

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**May Tai**

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**Fang Zhao**

Hui Zhong law Firm

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## PROGRAMME

### **14.00: Light lunch and registration**

### **14.30: Chairs' opening remarks**

Paul Friedland, *White & Case*

Karyl Nairn QC, *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom*

### **14.40: Keynote address**

Dame Elizabeth Gloster, *One Essex Court*

### **15.10: Session one: The GAR Live debate**

In Oxford Union style, we will hear teams of debaters argue in favour of, or against, a motion. A panel of judges will then voice opinions on what has been heard, before choosing which side to support and giving reasons for their decisions.

Motion: *"This House believes that an increasingly populist world is bad for arbitration"*

#### Judges:

Judith Gill QC, *20 Essex Street Chambers*

Bernard Hanotiau, *Hanotiau & van den Berg*

Laurent Lévy, *Lévy Kaufmann-Kohler*

#### For:

Lord Goldsmith QC, *Debevoise & Plimpton*

Christopher Harris QC, *3 Verulam Buildings*

#### Against:

Noradèle Radjai, *LALIVE*

Laurence Shore, *BonelliErede*

### **16.10: Coffee break**

### **16.40: Session two: Will International Arbitration lose to China's "International Courts" in the race to capture Belt & Road disputes?**

As the pace increases in the race to capture Belt & Road initiative disputes, our panel of arbitrators and counsel will discuss arbitration's ability to keep up with the challenge posed by China's "international courts". Can arbitration remain an attractive option in settling disputes? Is arbitration vulnerable to losses in the face of China's changing system?

#### Moderator:

Audley Sheppard QC, *Clifford Chance*

#### Panel:

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### **17.35: Chairs' closing remarks**

Paul Friedland, *White & Case*

Karyl Nairn QC, *Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom*

### **17.40: Close of conference**