

# **International Commercial Arbitration**

# The Dickson Poon School of Law

This Executive Course equips participants with a firm grounding in the law and practice of international commercial arbitration. The course is taught by an international faculty of well-known arbitration experts. Every session will feature leading academics at King's College London as well as prestigious arbitration practitioners from around the globe. This combined format offers attendants rigorous conceptual teaching with a practical and hands-on perspective.

The Executive Course will run online in intensive 3-hour sessions on Fridays, during a 6-week period. This format will allow our attendants to combine their professional commitments with obtaining executive legal education at one of the leading law schools in the world.

# **Key information**

## **Course dates:**

Fridays on the following dates: 17, 24, 31 May and 7, 14, 21 June 2024.

#### Time:

11:30 to 15:00 (BST).

#### Location:

**Online MS Teams** 

## **Course fee:**

£2,150 (15% discount for alumni)

### **Course accreditation:**

The course is endorsed by the International Bar Association (IBA) and the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC). The course is also CPD Accredited. Participants will obtain a certificate of attendance from King's upon completing the course.

## **Application:**

Please contact Dr Manuel Penades at manuel.penades fons@kcl.ac.uk or Jennifer Penafiel Law-ppee@kcl.ac.uk. More information can be found on our page: <u>https://www.kcl.ac.uk/short-courses/law-arbitration</u>







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# **Directors & Guest Speakers**

# **Course Directors**



#### Dr <u>Manuel Penades</u>, Independent arbitrator King's College London

Manuel is a specialist in international arbitration and dispute resolution at King's College London. He regularly acts as arbitrator, consultant and expert witness before international tribunals and national courts. His research focuses on international commercial arbitration, cross-border insolvency law and commercial law.



#### Prof. Renato Nazzini, Director, Centre of Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, King's College London

Renato is a construction and arbitration lawyer with global experience as counsel, arbitrator and expert witness. He is dually qualified as an English Solicitor and Italian Advocate. He is a member of the ICC Arbitration and ADR Commission, Italy, and a member of the ICC Task Force on Corruption in International Arbitration. He has been Visiting Professor at the Universities of Turin, Zurich, San Paulo and holds two PhDs (London and Milan).

# **Guest Speakers**



<u>Ana Serra e Moura,</u> Deputy Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Paris



<u>Christian Leathley,</u> Head of US and Latin American Arbitration practices, Herbert Smith Freehills New York



<u>Guled Yusuf,</u> Partner, Allen & Overy, London



<u>Marie Berard</u> Head of International Arbitration Practice, Clifford Chance, London



Belinda McRae, Barrister, Twenty Essex Chambers, London



<u>Eliana Tornese,</u> Registrar, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), London



<u>Jonathan Lim,</u> Partner, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr, London



Paul Tan, Head of Asian Arbitration, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, Singapore



<u>Vivek Neelakantan,</u> Deputy Registrar, Singapore International Arbitration Centre, (SIAC), Singapore

# **Programme Schedule**

# Week 1 (Friday, 17 May 2024): Key notions of International Arbitration and the Arbitration Agreement



Guest speaker <u>Christian Leathley</u>, Head of US and Latin American Arbitration practices, Herbert Smith Freehills New York

- 11.30-12.30: Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration
- 12.30-12.45: Break and introductory discussion with guest speaker
- 12.45-13.45: [Delivered by Christian Leathley, Head of US and Latin American Arbitration practices, Herbert Smith Freehills] Regulatory framework of International Commercial Arbitration: Overview of the New York Convention, National Arbitration laws (incl. UNCITRAL Model Law), arbitration rules and soft law
- 13.45-14.00: Break and follow up informal discussion with guest speaker
- 14.00-15.00: The Arbitration Agreement: Concept, types, frequent elements of an arbitration agreement. Tips on negotiation.

## Week 2 (Friday, 24 May 2024): Advanced issues on Arbitral jurisdiction



Guest speaker <u>Ana Serra e Moura</u>, Deputy Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Paris

- 11.30-12.30: The Jurisdictional Effects of an Arbitration Agreement. Principles of Kompetenz-kompetenz and separability
- 12.30-12.45: Break and introductory discussion with guest speaker
- 12.45-13.45: [Delivered by Ana Serra e Moura, Deputy Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)] Objective and subjective scope of arbitration agreements; and pathological clauses
- 13.45-14.00: Break and follow up informal discussion with guest speaker
- 14.00-15.00: Enforcement of Arbitration agreement by courts and tribunals: Art. II NYC, sec. 9 EAA, art. 8 UML, enforcement through judicial appointment of arbitrators and interim measures; sec. 32 EAA; antisuit injunctions.

## Week 3 (Friday, 31 May 2024): Arbitrators: Appointment, Challenge, Duties and Powers



<u>Belinda McRae</u>, Barrister, Twenty Essex Chambers London



<u>Eliana Tornese</u>, Registrar, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), London



Head of International Arbitration Practice, Clifford Chance, London

- 11.30-12.30: [Delivered by <u>Marie Berard</u>, Head of International Arbitration practice, Clifford Chance, London & <u>Eliana Tornese</u> Registrar, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), London] Selection and appointment of arbitrators: Approaches and strategies
- 12.30-12.45: Break and introductory discussion with guest speaker
- 12.45-13.45: [Delivered by Belinda McRae, Barrister, Essex Court Chambers, London] Duties of arbitrators (incl. independence and impartiality, and IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interests) and challenge
- 13.45-14.00: Break and follow up informal discussion with guest speaker
- 14.00-15.00: Powers of arbitrators (incl. interim measures)

# **Programme Schedule**

Week 4 (Friday, 7 June 2024): Arbitral procedure (incl. confidentiality and evidence) and the law applicable to the arbitration



Guest speaker <u>Jonathan Lim</u>, Partner, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr, London

- 11.30-12.30: Arbitration procedure and confidentiality
- 12.30-12.45: Break and introductory discussion with guest speaker
- 12.45-13.45: [Delivered by Jonathan Lim, partner, Wilmer Hale] Preparation and submission of evidence in arbitration (incl. the IBA Rules on the Taking of Evidence)
- 13.45-14.00: Break and follow up informal discussion with guest speaker
- 14.00-15.00: The laws applicable to the arbitration: Procedure, arbitration agreement and merits.

## Week 5 (Friday, 14 June 2024): Awards and Setting aside of Awards



Guest speaker <u>Paul Tan</u>, Head of Asian Arbitration, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher, Singapore



Guest speaker <u>Vivek Neelakantan</u>, Deputy Registrar, Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC), Singapore

- 11.30-12.30: The Arbitration Award: Concept, types, effects
- 12.30-12.45: Break and introductory discussion with guest speaker
- 12.45-13.45: [Delivered by Paul Tan, Head of Asian Arbitration, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP, Singapore and Vivek Neelakantan, Deputy Registrar, Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC)] Setting aside of awards: concept, regulation and jurisdiction. Grounds for setting aside (I): lack of jurisdiction and due process
- 13.45-14.00: Break and follow up informal discussion with guest speaker
- 14.00-15.00: Grounds for setting aside of awards (II): excess of mandate, arbitrability and public policy. Appeal on a point of law (sec. 69 EAA).

## Week 6 (Friday, 21 June 2024): Recognition and Enforcement of awards



Guest speaker <u>Guled Yusuf</u>, Partner, Allen & Overy, London

- 11.30-12.30: The recognition and enforcement of awards: Arts. III-V NYC
- 12.30-12.45: Break and introductory discussion with guest speaker
- 12.45-13.45: [Delivered by Guled Yusuf, partner, Allen & Overy, London and Richard Wells, associate, Allen & Overy, London] Strategies on recognition and enforcement of awards: asset tracing and methods to obtain award satisfaction (assignment/sale of awards, etc)
- 13.45-14.00: Break and follow up informal discussion with guest speaker
- 14.00-15.00: The recognition and enforcement of set aside awards.