



Joint UNCITRAL-LAC Conference on Dispute Settlement

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The conference is organized jointly by UNCITRAL and the Ljubljana Arbitration Centre (LAC) and will take place at the Slovenian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Dimičeva 13, Ljubljana, Slovenia) on Tuesday, 24 March 2015.

The conference will deal with:

- The ongoing revision of the UNCITRAL Notes on the organizing of arbitral proceedings,
- Practice and jurisprudence on the New York Convention (1958),
- Parallel proceedings in investor-state arbitration, and
- The future and possible reforms of investor-state arbitration.

We are looking forward to welcoming some of the most renowned speakers from the field at the conference as well as connecting participants from around the world in particular arbitrators, lawyers representing parties in arbitrations, state officials dealing with investor-state arbitration, in-house counsels and globally operating businesses.

On the day following the conference, the Ljubljana Willem C. Vis Pre-Moot will take place, which will be a good opportunity for the teams for one final practice before the Moot in Vienna.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Ljubljana.

WHEN:

24 March 2015

WHERE:

Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia,
Dimičeva 13, Ljubljana, Slovenia

WHO:

Arbitrators, lawyers representing parties in arbitrations, state officials dealing with investor-state arbitration, in-house counsel and globally operating businesses

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

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| 9.30-10.00 | Registration |
| 10.00-10.10 | Welcome address by the LAC Chairman |
| 10.10-10.30 | Opening remarks by UNCITRAL and LAC |

MORNING SESSION

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| 10.30-11.45 | Revision of the UNCITRAL Notes on Organizing Arbitral Proceedings: Identified trends |
| | Salient features of the revised UNCITRAL Notes on Organizing Arbitral Proceedings <i>Simon Greenberg</i> |
| | How to organize and what topics to cover during a case management conference / preparatory conference? <i>Scott Vesel</i> |
| | Issues raised by the choice of language and the place of arbitration <i>Maja Menard, J. Cameron Murphy</i> |
| | What role may an arbitral tribunal play in relation to settlement? <i>Moritz Keller</i> |

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| 11.45-12.15 | Coffee/Tea Break |
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| 12.15-13.30 | New York Convention, interpretation and application |
| | Presentation of the UNCITRAL Secretariat guide on the New York Convention and of the web platform on the New York Convention Guide <i>Yoanna Schuch / Ying Zhao</i> |
| | Main trends identified in the New York Convention Guide <i>Reinmar Wolff</i> |
| | Impact of soft law instruments on the interpretation of international instruments <i>Patricia Shaughnessy</i> |
| | Public policy: toward a transnational definition? <i>Jennifer Kirby</i> |

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| 13.30-14.30 | Lunch buffet |
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AFTERNOON SESSION

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| 14.30-15.00 | Concurrent proceedings in investment arbitration <i>David Gaukrodger (OECD)</i> |
| 15.00-17.00 | In need of reforms? |
| | Presentation by UNCTAD of its works on identified issues <i>Joachim Karl (UNCTAD)</i> |
| | UNCITRAL standards on transparency: a first step in the reform process? <i>Joe Zhang (IISD, Geneva)</i> |
| | EU current debate on ISDS in the context of TTIP / Update on intra-EU BITs <i>Franz Schwarz, John Rooney, Sophie Nappert</i> |
| 17.00 | Cocktail reception |

REGISTRATION

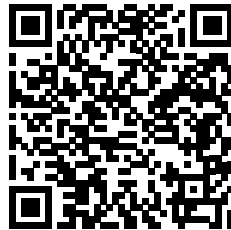
Participation fee: For registrations made before 1 February 2015, an early bird fee of 100 EUR applies. The ordinary fee for registrations made thereafter is 150 EUR. The fee includes the participation at the conference, refreshments during coffee breaks, lunch and a cocktail reception following the conference.

Registrations may be made through the LAC website (www.sloarbitration.eu) under The LAC > Joint UNCITRAL-LAC Conference or by following the link or QR Code below.

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or

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Accommodation is not included. Participants are requested to make their own accommodation arrangements. The Ljubljana Arbitration Centre has negotiated preferred rates for the participants at the Ljubljana hotels.

You can find the list of preferred Ljubljana hotels and check preferred rates of accommodation at: <http://www.sloarbitration.eu/en/Joint-UNCITRAL-LAC-Conference/Accommodation>.

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