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Session 1: Dispute resolution in the digital economy

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Mr. Takashi Takashima has been Senior Attorney of the Litigation Bureau and the Minister's Secretariat International Affairs Division of the Ministry of Justice since January 2019. His primary responsibilities are to engage in the formulation of the Japanese Government's strategies on international disputes and to represent meetings and coordinate policy on legal issues in multilateral forums with a special focus on UNCITRAL and ICSID.

Alongside his extensive experience in dispute settlement, having served twelve years as Judge of various Japanese domestic courts such as the district courts of Tokyo and Osaka, he has diplomatic experience as second secretary of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations.

Mr. Takashima functioned as coordinator for the process on the enlargement of UNCITRAL membership and successfully led the negotiations to a consensual adoption of a resolution increasing UNCITRAL membership from sixty to seventy at the United Nations General Assembly on 9 December 2021. He also served as Rapporteur for the UNCITRAL WGII project on the expedited arbitration rules

Stephanie Cohen



Independent Arbitrator

Stephanie Cohen is a Canadian arbitrator of international and domestic commercial disputes based in New York City. She has practiced exclusively as an arbitrator since 2012 and is recognized as a leading arbitrator by *Chambers Guides (Global and USA)* and *Who's Who Legal.* Previously, she was Counsel in the international arbitration and commercial litigation practice groups at White & Case LLP in New York. Stephanie is admitted to practice law in New York and Ontario, Canada and serves on arbitrator rosters for the ICDR and AAA as well as being a CPR Distinguished Neutral. She is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and Chair of its New York Branch.

Stephanie regularly speaks and writes about international arbitration matters of practical interest and is well-known for her work on the impact of technology on the arbitration process. She chairs the ICC Commission's Working Group on Use of Information Technology in International Arbitration and is a member of the ICCA-CPR-NYC Bar Association Working Group on Cybersecurity in International Arbitration. For more information, please visit www.cohenarbitration.com.

Sarah McEachern



Sarah McEachern is the regional manager of commercial and construction disputes at Borden Ladner Gervais LLP's Vancouver office. She has extensive experience in all aspects of domestic and international commercial arbitration disputes and acts as both counsel and arbitrator. She has acted or advised on proceedings under the rules of the ICC, ICDR, AAA, SCC, HKIAC, and VanIAC.

Sarah sits on the Advisory Board to the Young Canadian Arbitration Practitioner (YCAP), on the Steering Committee of the IBA Arb40, and was previously a representative for North America to the Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG) of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA). She has also participated in the Steering Committee of the Young Attorneys in Dispute Resolution (CPR) and is on the Editorial Board of the Commercial Litigation and Arbitration Review. She writes and presents frequently on topics related to arbitration and recently co-authored the online guide Technology Resources for Arbitration Practitioners for the IBA.

She has received national and international recognition by clients and peers as a leading practitioner in dispute resolution and arbitration in particular. She is recognized as a National Leader in Arbitration in Canada, 2020 (Who's Who Legal: Arbitration) and since 2018 as a Future Leader. She is recognized as a Star (and previously a Rising Star) in the Lexpert Guides. In 2020 she was the recipient of a Lexpert Rising Star (previously known as Top 40 under 40). She has also been recognized in 2020 (and since 2017) by Benchmark Canada.

Lise Alm



Chief Strategy Officer Worldfavor

Lise Alm is a lawyer and business developer with a background from both the tech and start-up world and the arbitration community. She has vast experience of introducing and implementing new technology at young and mature companies, as buyer, user and seller of systems.

She currently holds the position of Chief Strategy Officer at Worldfavor, a Stockholm based scale-up providing a platform for corporate sustainability tracking. Prior to this she was Head of Business Development at the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce working with innovation, product development and communication. Her role included analysing the future of international dispute resolution with a special focus on the intersection between dispute resolution and emerging technologies. Lise is part of several tech and arbitration groups, including the UNCITRAL expert group on emerging technologies and the digital economy.

In parallel, she is co-founder and chairperson for Prorenata AB, a growth company within digital healthcare, co-founder of Spira Globalt AB, a consultancy in global expansion for start-ups, and chairperson of Tilly, a femtech startup within fertility. Previous roles include M&A lawyer at Vinge Law firm, VP Business at the Stockholm tech start-up Volumental, a company providing B2B, 3D scanning solutions for retail, and one of the first in-house counsels at Spotify, where she headed up the corporate team for six years and taking leading roles in system implementation and change management projects.

Toby Landau



Barrister & Arbitrator Duxton Hill Chambers (Singapore Group Practice)

Toby Landau QC is a barrister, advocate and arbitrator, and a member of the Bars of England & Wales, Singapore, New York, the BVI and Northern Ireland, and is registered in the DIFC. He practises in London as a sole practitioner and in Singapore from Duxton Hill Chambers (Singapore Group Practice). As Counsel, he has had a broad commercial and international practice in London since 1994 and in Singapore since 2017. He has argued hundreds of major international commercial, investor-State and inter-state arbitrations, as well as ground-breaking cases in the highest courts of England, Singapore, Hong Kong, Pakistan and the Caribbean including, by way of example, Dallah v Pakistan; Jivraj v Hashwani; Ust-Kamenogorsk v AES; IPCO v NNPC; Enka v Chubb and Halliburton v Chubb before the UK Supreme Court; Minister of Finance / 1MDB v IPIC and Janah v Benkharbouche before the English Court of Appeal; First Media v Astro in the Courts of Singapore and Hong Kong; and Hubco v Wapda in the Pakistan Supreme Court.

He is the first QC to have been permanently called to the Singapore Bar and since April 2012 he has been a member of the Panel of Advisors to the Attorney-General of Singapore.

As Arbitrator, he has extensive experience as Chairman, Co-Arbitrator and Sole Arbitrator in commercial and investor-State disputes under most of the world's leading *ad hoc* and institutional rules. He is a member of various panels, including ICSID.

In 2020 he was appointed as one of 25 persons to serve on the Arbitration Panel under the Agreement on the Withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community.

He is Visiting Professor at Kings College London; a Vice President of the SIAC Court of Arbitration; Member of the Governing Board of ICCA; Fellow of the CIArb and Chartered Arbitrator; Vice-Chairman of the Saudi Centre for Commercial Arbitration; UK delegate to the UNCITRAL Working Group on Arbitration (1994-2013); a draftsman of the English Arbitration Act 1996; the Pakistan Arbitration (International Investment Disputes) Ordinance, 2006; the Mauritius International Arbitration Act 2008, as well as many institutional rules.

He holds a first-class law degree and a first class BCL from Oxford University (Eldon Scholar), and an LL.M. from Harvard Law School (Kennedy Scholar).

Kim M. Rooney



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KIM M. ROONEY is an international arbitrator including of banking and finance, commercial, energy, infrastructure, investment and trade, ITC and shareholder disputes; she is also a barrister and mediator. Kim was previously a partner of White & Case LLP, heading its Asian dispute resolution practice. She is a member of ICC's International Court of Arbitration, the ICC's Belt & Road Commission, eBRAM International Online Dispute Resolution Centre's Board (chairing its Rules Committee), the Hong Kong Bar Association Council (chairing its Arbitration Committee) and a Chair of the Appeal Tribunal (Buildings Ordinance) (HK). Kim is the editor of the IBA's "Dispute Resolution International", ADR Contributing Editor to "Hong Kong Civil Procedure" and a contributor to Kluwer Arbitration Practice Plus. She lectures in arbitration and international dispute resolution including at the Peking University Law School, and has taught at the Shanghai University of Politics and Law School of Law, among others. She is admitted to practice as a Hong Kong barrister, an English solicitor and Western Australian barrister and solicitor.

Kim's law reform and capacity building work includes as chair of the Hong Kong Law Reform Commission's Subcommittee on Third Party Funding for Arbitration; the final recommendations (with draft legislation) were implemented by Part 10A of the *Arbitration Ordinance* (Cap 609); as senior ADR Expert in a EU Funded ADR capacity building project in the Indonesian public sector; and as Consultant to the Lao PDR Ministry of Justice on arbitration law reform in a World Bank funded project. Her publications include "Conflicts of Laws Issues in Commercial Arbitration", Arbitration In Hong Kong: a Practical Guide, 5th Edition, Sweet & Maxwell, 2022; "The Global Impact of the COVID 19 Pandemic on Commercial Dispute Resolution in the First Year" Dispute Resolution International, May 2021 (co-author); "Third-Party Funding of Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution in Hong Kong" (2018) 5 BCDR Int.Arb.Rev. 2; "ICCA'S Guide to the Interpretation of the 1958 New York Convention: A Handbook For Judges" 2012 (co-author) and "ICSID and BIT Arbitrations" and China", Journal of International Arbitration, Kluwer, 2007.

Andrés Jana



Partner Bofill Mir & Alvarez, Santiago, Chile

Andrés Jana, Chair, UNCITRAL Working Group II. Founding partner in charge of the International Arbitration Group at Bofill Mir & Alvarez, Santiago, Chile. He is the Chilean delegate before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, UNCITRAL and is a member of the Working Group on Arbitration Involving States or State Entities of the ICC's Arbitration Committee.

James Castello



Partner King & Spalding International, Paris, France

James Castello has been based in Europe for 22 of his 35 years in legal practice, focusing exclusively on commercial and investment arbitration as advocate and arbitrator. In 2009, he was a founding partner of King & Spalding's Paris office, where he remains today. He has represented and advised clients from Europe, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia primarily in arbitrations involving energy disputes or large infrastructure and other construction projects, under a wide variety of arbitration rules.

Since 2001, James has actively participated in drafting or revising all of UNCITRAL's instruments in the field of international arbitration and mediation as a member of the United States' delegation. He has written extensively on the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules, including in books published by Oxford, Kluwer, and Juris. As a member of the LCIA Court, he was one of the drafters of the 2014 LCIA Arbitration Rules, and he now sits on the LCIA's Board of Directors. James is a co-chair of CILS' biannual Salzburg Symposium on International Arbitration and also serves on the International Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitral Center and as Vice Chair of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration's Executive Committee.

From 1995 to 2001, James left private practice to serve in senior legal positions in the Clinton administration, first as Deputy Counsel to the President at the White House and then as Associate Deputy Attorney General in the Justice Department, where his portfolio included such international issues as immigration and human rights. James began his legal career with successive clerkships at the U.S. Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court, in Washington, D.C., and as a legal assistant at the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal in The Hague. He holds degrees in European History, Economics and Law from Yale and the University of California, Berkeley. He is admitted to practice in New York, Washington, D.C., and as an avocat à la cour in Paris.

Jaemin Lee



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Jaemin Lee is currently Professor of Law at School of Law, Seoul National University in Seoul, Korea. Upon graduation from College of Law, Seoul National University in 1992, he joined the Korean Ministry of Foreign Affairs as a foreign service officer. Between 2000 and 2004, he also practiced law with Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP (Washington, D.C. office) as an associate attorney of the firm's international trade group. From 2004 to 2013 he taught international law and international economic law at School of Law, Hanyang University in Seoul, Korea. He has published articles and books (including book chapters) on various topics of public international law, international trade law and international investment law. Since 2012, he has been participating in UNCITRAL Working Groups II and III as delegate of the Republic of Korea. He can be reached at 82-2-880-7572 (office) or via e-mail at jaemin@snu.ac.kr.

Giuditta Cordero-Moss



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Giuditta Cordero-Moss, Dr. juris (Oslo), PhD (Moscow), Professor, Oslo University, publishes and lectures in Norway and internationally within the fields of contract law, private international law and arbitration. Former corporate lawyer, since 2002 arbitrator under the arbitration rules of numerous institutions and ad hoc. She is, i.a.: member of the Curatorium of the Hague Academy of International Law (since 2019); member of the ICC Court of Arbitration (since 2018); member of the Council, Arbitration Chamber of Milan (since 2017); member of the Board, Arbitration Institute, Oslo Chamber of Commerce (since 2010); former president (2017-20) and judge (2007-2020) of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Administrative Tribunal; vice-president (since 2014) of the Board of Directors, Norwegian Financial Supervisory Authority; member (since 2015) of the Norwegian Tariff Board on general application of wage agreements.

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Session 2: Dispute resolution in the digital economy

Kevin Nash



Registrar Singapore International Arbitration Centre

As Registrar of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre, Kevin leads the SIAC Secretariat in the provision of case management services. Over the course of the past decade, Kevin has overseen the administration of thousands of international cases under all versions of the SIAC Rules and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. Under the Singapore International Arbitration Act (Cap 143A), Kevin is the statutory taxation authority and he is empowered to authenticate and certify awards and arbitration agreements.

Kevin worked closely on the revisions to the SIAC Rules 2013, SIAC Rules 2016, SIAC Investment Arbitration Rules 2017, and leads the SIAC Secretariat on the drafting of the seventh edition of the SIAC Rules. Kevin is listed by Who's Who Legal as one of the leading arbitration lawyers in Southeast Asia and a 'Future Leader' in the Global Guide.

Kevin is qualified as a Barrister and Solicitor with the Law Society of Upper Canada. He speaks English and French.

Yulia Mullina



Executive Administrator
Russian Arbitration Center at the Russian Institute of
Modern Arbitration

Yulia Mullina, MCIArb is Executive Administrator of the Russian Arbitration Center (RAC) being in charge of administration of more than 300 arbitrations per year. Yulia has been working on the project of the RAC since its very beginning in 2016; she participated personally in drafting of the RAC Arbitration Rules, the RAC Ad hoc Rules and other RAC Rules and guidelines. Prior to that, Yulia practiced litigation and arbitration in one of leading Russian law firms. Yulia has a master's degree in private law and has been working on her PhD in Lomonosov Moscow State University, Faculty of Law, as well as in the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law (Hamburg, Germany) as an invited researcher.

Dirk Pulkowski



Senior Legal Counsel Permanent Court of Arbitration

Dirk Pulkowski is a Senior Legal Counsel at the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) in The Hague, the Netherlands, an independent intergovernmental organization established in 1899 with 122 Contracting Parties. The PCA currently provides administrative support in over 170 pending arbitration proceedings.

Dr. Pulkowski has broad experience as registrar in arbitrations between States under public international law. He has also acted as institutional secretary in many investor-State arbitrations and contract-based arbitrations administered by the PCA in recent years. In addition, Dr. Pulkowski supports the PCA Secretary-General in handling the appointment of, and challenges to, arbitrators.

Dr. Pulkowski has represented the PCA at various intergovernmental fora, including the Sixth Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the conference of the States parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), and the Energy Charter.

From March 2014 to April 2015, Dr. Pulkowski acted as representative of the PCA in Mauritius, where he led the PCA's work in Africa.

Dr. Pulkowski teaches international investment law as a lecturer in the LL.M. programme of the *Université libre de Bruxelles* (ULB).

Prior to joining the PCA in 2009, Dr. Pulkowski practiced as a lawyer in the international trade and arbitration group of an international law firm.

Dr. Pulkowski holds a doctorate in law, *summa cum laude*, from Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität, Munich, Germany, and an LL.M. degree from Yale Law School, New Haven, United States. He has published in the fields of public international law, investment law, trade law, and legal theory.

Rekha Rangachari



Executive Director New York International Arbitration Center (NYIAC)

Rekha Rangachari has served as the Executive Director of the New York International Arbitration Center (NYIAC) since 2017. Founded in 2013, NYIAC is a not-for-profit, non-governmental organization that promotes and enhances the conduct of international arbitration in New York. In her role at NYIAC, Rekha collaborates with stakeholders and thought leaders in the space to advance scholarship and best practices; offers educational programming, events, and trainings; and operates world-class hearing facilities in Manhattan.

Rekha is actively engaged with the arbitration community at the regional, national, and global levels. Rekha serves as Member of the New York City Bar's Inter-American Affairs Committee and Chair of its Arbitration Subcommittee and Member of the NYSBA International Section's Executive Committee and Co-Chair of its International Contracts and Commercial Law Committee. Rekha is also Co-Chair of the Private International Law Interest Group (PILIG) at the American Society of International Law (ASIL). In addition, Rekha is Board Member of ArbitralWomen (AW) and leads its Cooperation and Global Events Committees, Co-Chair of Racial Equality for Arbitration Lawyers (REAL), Member of the Equal Representation in Arbitration (ERA) Pledge Young Professionals Subcommittee, and Steering Committee Member of the Campaign for Greener Arbitrations. In parallel, Rekha maintains an active connection to academics as Associate Editor of the Juris Investment Arbitration Conference Volumes, Adjunct Professor at Seton Hall Law School, and Peer Review Board Member of the American Review of International Arbitration (ARIA) at Columbia Law School.

Yasmine Lahlou

Partner Chaffetz Lindsey LLP



Yasmine Lahlou, who speaks fluently English, French and Italian, has over 22 years of experience of international arbitration and litigation. Initially trained in Paris and admitted in New York and Paris, Yasmine is experienced in civil and common law systems. Yasmine has represented clients in arbitration proceedings conducted under the ICC, ICDR, LCIA, UNCITRAL and ad hoc rules, related to energy-related construction disputes, post M&A disputes, supply agreements, etc. She has acted as a sole and co-arbitrator in ICC and Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC) arbitrations. Yasmine is one of the three co-editors of the ICCA cross-border survey on the right to a physical hearing in international arbitration.

Seokchun Yun



Partner Peter & Kim

Seokchun Yun is a partner at Peter and Kim, a leading international arbitration firm ranked in GAR 30. He specializes in, inter alia, international arbitration and cross-border litigation, international trade, international taxation and provides legal advice on disputes with international elements.

Mr. Yun has successfully represented government, domestic and foreign multinational clients at all stages of international arbitrations under the major arbitration rules as well as in ad-hoc arbitrations. He has also represented clients in international mediations and before the WTO panel.

Seokchun has handled legal matters and issues implicating various governing laws as well as international instruments and norms such as the CISG, UNIDROIT Principles and WTO treaties. Prior to starting his career as a practicing lawyer, he served as a judge advocate (military judge and prosecutor) in the Republic of Korea Navy.

Mr. Yun serves as directors of major academic associations in Korea including the Korean Society of International Economic Law and frequently speaks at notable seminars and conferences on various topics including international arbitration and trade. He has taught as a lecturer at Seoul National University College of Law and actively publishes articles and authors treatises.

Mr. Yun received an LL.M. from Harvard Law School, and his LL.M. and LL.B. from Seoul National University. He is admitted to the New York bar and the Korean bar.

ljeoma Ononogbu



Solicitor, International Dispute Resolution and Arbitrator at Dispute Resolver

Ms. Ijeoma Ononogbu has a strong international law background and solid professional experience spanning three jurisdictions- Nigeria, United Kingdom, and United States of America. In the private sector, she has experience in international dispute resolution. She currently works as an Solicitor and an Arbitrator in England and Wales.

She holds an LLM in comparative and international dispute resolution from Queen Mary, University of London, and an LLB from the University of Nigeria. She is licensed to practice law in Nigeria, England and Wales. Ms. Ijeoma Ononogbu also serves as a Court of Arbitration for Art arbitrator. A Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Ijeoma has keen interest in dispute settlement, international dispute resolution, and most recently online dispute resolution. She was one of the legal professionals of the UNCITRAL Working Group on Online Dispute Resolution who submitted The Draft Notes to the United Nations. On the 16th December 2016 the General Assembly approved the draft notes which serves as a guide for business to business e-commerce transactions and business to customers business relationship.

Mingchao Fan



Executive Vice President Shanghai Arbitration Commission

Dr. Fan is the Executive Vice President of Shanghai Arbitration Commission (SHAC). He is an experienced arbitrator with extensive knowledge of the Asia region. Being on the panels of the HKIAC, CIETAC, KCAB, etc. he served as presiding arbitrator, sole arbitrator and co-arbitrator in more than 200 of occasions. Additionally, he is on the Steering Committee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators East Asia Branch and chairs its PRC Sub-Committee.

In addition to commercial arbitration, Dr. Fan is specialized in sports dispute resolutions. He is a listed arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) and chairs the Arbitration Commission of the Chinese Football Association.

Before joining SHAC, Dr. Fan served as Director of Arbitration and ADR for North Asia of International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) between 2016 and 2021 and was a law professor at Shanghai University of Political Science and Law, a prominent law school in Shanghai, PRC for 13 years.

Dr. Fan holds PhD from the East China University of Politics and Law and LLM from the University of Manchester. He was also a Fulbright Visiting Scholar at Duke University.

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Session 3: Dispute resolution in the digital economy

Yoshimi Ohara

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James Claxton



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James Claxton has more than 15 years of experience in international dispute resolution acting as mediator, arbitrator, attorney, and academic. He is presently Associate Professor of Law at Waseda University in Tokyo and Mediation Training Expert with the Office of the Ombudsman for United Nations Funds and Programmes. He is an officer of the International Bar Association and chairman of a working group of the International Mediation Institute. A Fellow in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, James began his career as an attorney specializing in international arbitration in Paris and was legal counsel at the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes of the World Bank in Washington. He has worked with the United States Agency for International Development and the International Finance Corporation on mediation capacity-building projects. His publications on mediation appear in the Asian Journal on Mediation, The Journal of World Trade, and the Pepperdine Dispute Resolution Law Journal.

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Anne-Karin Grill



Principal AKG ADVISORY

Anne-Karin Grill specializes in international dispute prevention and resolution. She has a proven track-record as counsel in both commercial and ISDS arbitration settings. She also disposes of first-hand experience in hybrid ADR process design. As an IMI certified mediation advocate, Anne-Karin accompanies clients in negotiation and solution-generating processes, managing party dynamics and assisting in the formulation of legally sustainable solutions. As a CEDR accredited mediator, she acts as neutral in multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes and is also active in investor-state mediation. Her arbitrator work focuses predominantly on multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes (construction disputes, shareholder disputes, contractual disputes). International Legal Directories (Who's Who Legal, The Legal 500. Chambers, JUVE) rank Anne-Karin among the leading Austrian ADR practitioners and specifically underline Anne-Karin's ability to apply the full spectrum of alternative methods in her legal advisory work. She has also been identified as "the go-to mediation specialist" in Austria. Anne-Karin is a member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the Mediation Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC), and Vice-President of the Board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb|Aut). Upon the nomination of the Republic of Austria, she also serves on the Panel of Conciliators of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID).

George Lim



Senior Counsel Chairman, Singapore International Mediation Centre

George Lim is Chairman of the Singapore International Mediation Centre. He is a Senior Counsel, and was President of the Law Society of Singapore between 1998-1999.

George is the co-editor of *Mediation in Singapore: A Practical Guide*. He was Singapore's mediation consultant to UNCITRAL Working Group II, which led to the adoption of the Singapore Convention on Mediation.

In October 2019, he was appointed to the Roster of Panel Chairs of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) on Dispute Settlement.

In 2021, George was named by *The International Who's Who of Commercial Mediation* as a global thought leader in mediation.

Camilla Macpherson



Head of Secretariat P.R.I.M.E. Finance

Camilla Macpherson leads the head office of P.R.I.M.E. Finance in The Hague. Camilla previously practised international arbitration and litigation at Allen & Overy LLP in London for nearly 15 years, focusing on complex, high value cross-border disputes. She moved to DLA Piper in 2014 to become Head of Knowledge Management for the litigation and regulatory team, leading a large team of lawyers and support professionals. She was then appointed DLA Piper's dedicated Brexit Counsel. After moving to the Netherlands in 2017, she returned to Allen & Overy as a consultant. Ms. Macpherson is a guest speaker on the University of Leiden's International Dispute Settlement and Advocacy advanced masters programme and a member of the International Committee of the Law Society of England and Wales.

Federico Ast



President Cooperative Kleros

Federico Ast graduated in economics and philosophy from the University of Buenos Aires and holds a PhD in management from IAE Business School. He is founder and President at Cooperative Kleros, a legaltech company using game theory and blockchain technology which develops the Kleros Protocol for decentralized justice. As a pioneer in the field of decentralized justice, he has lectured in universities such as Stanford, Oxford and Columbia. He is an alumni at Singularity University and hosts the first Coursera courses about blockchain and legaltech in Spanish. He is passionate about exponential technologies such as artificial intelligence, crowdsourcing and blockchain for social innovation.

Charles T. Kotuby Jr.



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Previously a Partner in the Global Disputes practice of Jones Day in Washington DC, Charles Kotuby spent 20 years as an international law counsel representing multinational corporations and sovereign states in complex international disputes. He has acted in international arbitrations and litigations across a range of sectors and industries, has been counsel to clients with treaty-based claims in Central Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East, and has appeared as counsel in international matters before the U.S. Supreme Court, the Court of Justice of the European Union, ICSID, UNCITRAL and *ad hoc* arbitral tribunals. According to Judge Stephen Schwebel, former president of the International Court of Justice, Professor Kotuby is one of the world's "leading international counsel and advocates" (foreword to Kotuby & Sobota, *General Principles of Law and International Due Process* [Oxford 2017]). Chambers USA has individually recognized him as a Band 1 international arbitration counsel, calling him a "wonderful lawyer" and a "standout person . . .known for his . . . extensive multijurisdictional expertise." (*ChambersUSA 2021*)

Professor Kotuby has published extensively on issues of international arbitration and international law, authoring or co-authoring more than two dozen articles and book chapters over the last 20 years. His book on General Principles of Law and International Due Process has been called "astute" (Judge James Crawford), "brilliant" (Pierre-Marie Dupuy), and a "signal contribution" to the field of international law (Judge Schwebel). He is currently the U.S. editor for the website www.conflictoflaws.net.

An active arbitrator, Professor Kotuby is a Fellow in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Co-Chair of its Pennsylvania and Ohio Chapter. He is admitted to panels of arbitrators with leading institutions around the world, including the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) and the United States Council for International Business (USCIB). He is also active in international legal reform as a member of the United States Government Delegation to UNCITRAL Working Group III on Reforms to Investor-State Dispute Settlement and the U.S. State Department Advisory Committee on Private International Law. Prior to his time in private practice and academia, Professor Kotuby was a research fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and Private International Law in Hamburg, Germany, and a Law Clerk to the Honorable Joseph F. Weis on the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

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Session 4: Online platforms for dispute resolution

James Ding



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Dr. James Ding is the Commissioner of Inclusive Dispute Avoidance and Resolution Office, Department of Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China. He has been awarded the Chief Executive Commendation for Government/Public Service in 2021.

He coordinates and promotes various policy initiatives for dispute avoidance and resolution as well as on advancing the rule of law. He has published on different subjects of international law and international cooperation, and has given various presentations at international and regional conferences, including the UNCITRAL 50th Anniversary Congress, the UNCITRAL Asia Pacific Judicial Summit and the Working Group III Intersessional Meeting in Hong Kong. He is also currently the Chair of the APEC Economic Committee.

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Member of the EU Expert Group on Liability/Technologies formation and of the Expert Group to the EU Observatory on Platform Economy; the Inclusive Global Legal Innovation Platform (IGLIP) on Online Dispute Resolution (Department of Justice, Hong Kong – UNCITRAL); the Advertising Tribunal, of Autocontrol, Spanish Advertising Self-Regulation Organization (2014-2018); the International Academy of Commercial and Consumer Law; the Artificial Intelligence Ethics Committee, Spanish Bar Association; the Advisory Committee to Open Internet Governance Institute; the ELI Council since 2019 and of the ELI Executive Committee since 2021.

European Central Bank Legal Research Programme 2018 fellow with a project on Fintech and Stanford Law School TTLF fellow with a comparative analysis of US-EU regulations on Crowdfunding platforms.

Colin Rule



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Colin Rule is CEO of Mediate.com. In 2011 Colin co-founded Modria.com. an Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) provider based in Silicon Valley, which was acquired by Tyler Technologies in 2017. From 2017 to 2020 Colin served as Vice President of ODR at Tyler. From 2003 to 2011 Colin was Director of ODR for eBay and PayPal. Colin is the author of Online Dispute Resolution for Business and co-author of The New Handshake: ODR and the Future of Consumer Protection. He serves on the boards of the Consensus Building Institute and the PeaceTech Lab at the United States Institute of Peace. He is currently Co-Chair of the Advisory Board of the National Center for Technology and Dispute Resolution at UMass-Amherst and a Fellow at the Gould Center for Conflict Resolution at Stanford Law School. Colin co-founded Online Resolution, one of the first online dispute resolution (ODR) providers, in 1999 and served as its CEO and President. Colin also worked for several years with the National Institute for Dispute Resolution in Washington, DC and the Consensus Building Institute in Cambridge, MA.

Nicolás Lozada Pimiento



Nicolás is a Colombian lawyer, graduated from Universidad Externado de Colombia, with master's degrees in Law and the Global Economy from New York University (NYU) and International and Comparative Law from the National University of Singapore (NUS).

He is the CEO of Redek and partner of Rincón Cuéllar & Asociados firm, where he focuses his practice in the areas of Legaltech, online dispute resolution and international trade. Much of his career has been devoted to promoting the use of technology in justice, a subject around which he has written articles and given numerous conferences, including a TED Talk. In this context, he was delegated by Colombia to Group III of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) on online dispute resolution.

Nicolás is fluent in Spanish, English, French and Portuguese.

Laura Aguilera Villalobos



Head of Studies of the Arbitration and Mediation Center Santiago Chamber of Commerce

Laura Aguilera Villalobos, a lawyer, graduated from the University of Chile. She also holds a Diploma in Negotiation with a double mention in Mediation and Advanced Strategy and Leadership by the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile.

In January 2020, she attended to the Insights: ADR in the US and LATAM program at Boston College Law School and in 2015 she attended to the Workshop on Mediation and Alternative Dispute Resolution at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile. Since 2021, she is a member of the Inclusive Global Legal Innovation Platform on Online Dispute Resolution.

Laura supports the Co-Secretary General of the ICC Chile's Arbitration and ADR Commission.

Member of the Editing Team and of the Editorial Council of the book <u>Arbitration in the Case Law of the Chilean Superior Domestic Courts between 2002 and 2020</u>.

Member of the Editing Team of the book CAM Santiago Arbitral Awards <u>VI</u> and <u>VII</u> and author of the chapter Brief Notes on the Interim Measures in International Commercial Arbitration published in the book Studies of Chilean and Comparative Private International Law (2014).

Prior to joining the Santiago Arbitration and Mediation Center she was as a Teaching Assistant in Private International Law and International Contracting at the University of Chile School of Law. In November 2018 Laura participated as a speaker in the APEC Workshop for Developing a Collaborative Framework for Online Dispute Resolution (ODR) in Osaka and in March 2019 she was a speaker in the Stocktake Workshop on the SELI ODR Work Plan at APEC Chile.

Amy J. Schmitz



John Deaver Drinko-Baker & Hostetler Chair in Law Program on Dispute Resolution & Program on Data Governance Michael E. Moritz College of Law

Professor Amy J. Schmitz is a professor at The Ohio State Moritz College of Law and Program on Dispute Resolution as the John Deaver Drinko-Baker & Hostetler Endowed Chair in Law. She is also affiliated with The Ohio State Program on Data Governance and the Divided Community Project. Before teaching at Ohio State, Professor Schmitz taught at the University of Missouri School of Law and Center for Dispute Resolution as the Elwood L. Thomas Missouri Endowed Professor of Law, starting in 2016. Previously she was a Professor at the University of Colorado School of Law for over 16 years. Prior to teaching, Professor Schmitz practiced law with large law firms in Seattle and Minneapolis and served as a law clerk for the U. S. Court of Appeals for the 8th Circuit. Professor Schmitz teaches courses in Contracts, Lawyering and Problem-Solving, Online Dispute Resolution (ODR), Arbitration, International Arbitration, and Consumer Law. She has been heavily involved in Arbitration and ODR teaching and research for a long time and is a Fellow of the National Center for Technology and Dispute Resolution, as well as the Co-Chair of the ABA Technology Committee of the Dispute Resolution Section and the ODR Task Force.

Professor Schmitz has delivered over 150 presentations and hosts The Arbitration Conversation, a highly regarded podcast that has reached over 100 episodes. She also is a researcher with the ACT Project exploring Al and dispute resolution at the Cyberjustice Lab in Montreal. She has published over 60 articles in law journals and books, is a co-author of the leading casebook, Resolving Disputes: Theory, Practice and Law (Aspen/Wolters Kluwer 2021), the new book with Stipanowich, Arbitration: Theory, Practice and Law (Forthcoming Aspen/Wolters Kluwer 2022) and a book with C. Rule, The New Handshake: Online Dispute Resolution and the Future of Consumer Protection.

Michael Dennis



Mike Dennis is a private international law consultant and a senior adviser with the Kozolchyk National Law Center. He serves as a legal consultant for the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum (APEC) ODR Collaborative Framework and Model Procedural Rules. He developed the Administrative Implementation Work Plan and the related Proposal for an APEC ODR Satellite Website for the Collaborative Framework. He was the Project Overseer for the first APEC Workshop on Developing a Collaborative Framework for ODR (Osaka, November 2018). He serves as a U.S. expert member of the ISO working group on the development of standards for transaction assurance in e-commerce including dispute resolution and as a member of the Inclusive Global Legal Innovation Platform on Online Dispute Resolution (GLIP on ODR). He is also a consultant with the World Bank in the Middle East on e-commerce reform including dispute resolution.

Mike Dennis was the Executive Director of the Department of State Advisory Committee on Private International Law from 2007 to 2018. As a U.S. representative to UNCITRAL, Unidroit, and The Hague Conference on Private International Law, he headed U.S. delegations on multiple private international law matters including working groups on the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (2010) and the UNCITRAL Technical Notes on ODR (2017). He has published widely on human rights and various private international law topics including Online Dispute Resolution.

Yoshihisa Hayakawa



Professor / Attorney at Law, Partner Rikkyo University / URYU & ITOGA

Yoshihisa Hayakawa serves as a professor of law at Rikkyo University, Tokyo. He also teaches and researches in a number of foreign universities including Columbia University, Cornell University, QM College of University of London and Australian National University. He also serves as a partner at Uryu & Itoga, Tokyo. He serves as a counsel in many cases of transnational litigation and international commercial arbitration as well as serving as an arbitrator in many arbitration cases. He also serves as a representative from Japan for a number of inter-governmental organizations including UNCITRAL, APEC (ODR Project), ISO (ODR Project) and the Hague Conference on PIL. And he serves as President of Japan National Committee of UIA, Japanese Member for Commission on Arbitration and ADR of ICC, Japanese Member of Users Council of SIAC and Arbitrator for Court of Arbitration for Sport. He serves as Executive Director and Secretary General of Japan International Dispute Resolution Center. He also serves as Chair of IT/ODR Section of Japan Federation of Bar Associations.

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Session 5: Adjudication

Michael E. Schneider



Senior Counsel LALIVE Avocats, Geneve

Michael E. Schneider is a founding partner of LALIVE and now Senior Counsel. He has practised in international arbitration for more than 40 years as counsel in ad hoc proceedings and under various rules, including those of UNCITRAL, the ICC, ICSID, LCIA, Swiss Rules, Stockholm Institute, the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA), Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), European Development Fund and before other international bodies, including the WTO Appellate Body and the United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC). He has also acted in many cases as arbitrator (chair, sole or co-arbitrator) under the rules of many institutions both in Switzerland and abroad. Mr Schneider's main areas of practice are disputes involving States and corporations in construction, industrial engineering and infrastructure projects, natural resources and investment disputes.

Mr Schneider chaired the UNCITRAL Working Group II (Arbitration) at its Sessions in New York and Vienna (2006-2010) on the revision of the Arbitration Rules and on the revision of the Notes on Organizing Arbitral Proceedings (2014-2015) and was Vice-Chair of the Commission (2015-2017). He is honorary president of the Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA). He was vice chair of the ICC Commission on Arbitration until 2014 and has been a member of several of its working groups (1998 and 2012 revisions of the ICC rules, construction, pre-arbitral referee). He is past president of the International Academy of Construction Lawyers (IACL) and was co-chair of the IBA Committee on international Construction Projects. He is member of the Board of Trustees of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA) and of the Court of Arbitration of the Singapore Arbitration Centre. He also was inhouse counsel Universal Engineering and Finance Corporation (UNEFICO).

Lindy Patterson



Lindy Patterson QC is a full time arbitrator, dispute board member and chair and UK adjudicator with 39 Essex Chambers, London.

Her particular focus is on the energy and construction markets but she also operates in general commercial contracts, including IT related disputes. She operates in many jurisdictions, both civil and common law, and with a variety of governing laws with appointments from ICC; LCIA; DIAC; NAI and ADCCAC. Recent arbitration appointments involve seats in the MENA region; England; Finland; France, the Netherlands and Kazaksthan.

In 2021 she was appointed to the Standing Committee of the International Centre for ADR of ICC which assists the ICC in its work with expert and dispute board proceedings worldwide.

She is a member of the FCL Certification Board and Chair of its Adjudication Programme Committee which certifies dispute board members for inclusion on the FIDIC List of International Adjudicators

She is on the Conflict Avoidance Panel administered by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors for the infrastructure company, Transport for London; a Fellow of the International Academy of Construction Lawyers and Chair of Arbitral Appointments Committee (domestic) of the Scottish Arbitration Centre. She is a Chartered Arbitrator; a member of the London Court of International Arbitration. She is on the following UK lists of adjudicators:-TeCSA; RICS and RIBA.

Allan J. Stitt



President & CEO ADR Chambers

Allan Stitt is the President and CEO of ADR Chambers, the largest private alternative dispute resolution service provider in the world. In July 2019, ADR Chambers was selected by the Ontario Provincial Government to serve as the Authorized Nominating Authority to administer construction adjudication and to train and certify adjudicators. The adjudication program operates as Ontario Dispute Adjudication for Construction Contracts (ODACC).

Allan is a Toronto based mediator, arbitrator, author, and Alternative Dispute Resolution systems design specialist. He has mediated two-party and multi-party disputes in a variety of contexts and has arbitrated numerous commercial cases domestically and internationally. Allan has designed and taught ADR workshops in North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Australia and Africa. He earned his Master of Laws at Harvard Law School where he first studied ADR.

Pierre D. Grenier



Partner Dentons Canada LLP President of the Institut de médiation et d'arbitrage du Québec

Pierre Grenier is a partner in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution group of Dentons' Montréal office. His practice focuses on the construction, energy and commercial law Sectors.

Pierre represents owners and developers, general and specialized contractors, equipment manufacturers and franchisors, financial institutions, industrial corporations and investors. He has developed particular expertise in all aspects of issues and risk management related to various and complex construction projects (from drafting to claims management), the preparation of contractual agreements and the exercise of rights and remedies under corporate laws, including claims against directors and officers and minority shareholder remedies. Pierre also represents clients in negotiations and mediations and before arbitration, administrative and judiciary tribunals and other private panels.

With regards to construction law, Pierre has been responsible for legal strategy in complex cases, coordinated the drafting and supervision of numerous opinions, procedures and expertise, and participated in various dispute resolution processes as a litigator. He also advises the firm's other lawyers in cases involving similar legal issues.

Since 2014, Pierre serves as President and Director of the Institut de médiation et d'arbitrage du Québec ("IMAQ"). In this capacity, he is involved since 2017 in a significant legislative development in the construction industry referred as prompt payment legislation. He was responsible to review the draft legislation for the pilot project and negotiate a partnership between IMAQ and the Secrétariat du Conseil du trésor.

Jesusito G. Morallos



Chairman Philippine Institute of Arbitrators (PIArb)

Jesusito Morallos is both a lawyer and a civil engineer. He is the Chairman of the Philippine Institute of Arbitrators (PIArb, 2022-2023), past Chairman of the Regional Arbitral Institute Forum (RAIF, 2021), past President of the Philippine Institute of Construction Arbitrators and Mediators (PICAM, 2018-2019), past Dispute Resolution Administrator of the Wholesale Electricity Spot Market (WESM, 2011-2021), and a senior partner of the Follosco Morallos & Herce Law Firm (FMH, 1997-present).

He is an accredited Arbitrator of the Construction Industry Arbitration Commission (CIAC, 2008-present), Philippine International Center for Conflict Resolution (PICCR, 2019-present), and Philippine Dispute Resolution Center (PDRCI, 2004-present). He acted as arbitrator in almost 100 arbitrations and as counsel in about the same number of arbitrations. He also has a vast international commercial arbitration experience, both as arbitrator and as counsel. He also has acted as adjudicator.

He is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), the Society of Construction Law (SCL), and the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation (DRBF).

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Sessions 6 to 8: Technology-related disputes

* In alphabetical order of the last names

Lawrence Akka



Barrister and Arbitrator

Lawrence Akka QC is a leading commercial and technology barrister and arbitrator at Twenty Essex in London and Singapore. He is a member of the UK Jurisdiction Taskforce, which is part of the Lawtech UK Panel (https://technation.io/lawtechukpanel/), and the vice-chair (civil) of the IT Panel of the Bar Council of England and Wales. In addition to a general commercial law litigation practice, he deals with cases involving software and hardware procurement, outsourcing, development, fintech and blockchain technologies, data protection, e-commerce, broadcasting, internet and telecommunications law. He is co-author of the book "IT Contracts and Dispute Management: A Practitioner's Guide to the Project Lifecycle", published by Edward Elgar, and regularly sits as sole, party-appointed and presiding arbitrator in both technology and commercial disputes and has accepted appointments under many different sets of rules.

Christian Aschauer



Professor University of Graz

Christian Aschauer is an Independent Arbitrator based in Vienna and a Professor of Austrian Arbitration Law and International Arbitration at the University of Graz. He has conducted arbitrations under a variety of different rules (in particular ICC, VIAC, Milan Chamber of Arbitration, DIS, SCC) as well as ad hoc proceedings, and is a member of the Council of Arbitration of the Milan Chamber of Arbitration.

Chris Clements



Partner and Head of International Arbitration Deloitte LLP London

Chris is a partner in Deloitte's forensic practice specialising in dispute assignments. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales ("ICAEW") and holds a Joint Honours Bachelor of Arts degree from Durham University. He has specialised in forensic accounting since 1996 and has a breadth of experience in arbitration, determination, expert witness, fraud and investigation work.

He is a Member of The Expert Witness Institute, the Academy of Experts, and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, the Society of Construction Law. He also is a practising arbitrator, determiner and mediator. Chris has been included as a leading Expert Witness by Who's Who Legal (guides that are compiled using independent research with clients and peers) for International Arbitration Expert Witnesses, Commercial Litigation Expert Witnesses, Forensic Accounting and Investigations Forensic Accountants.

Chris leads Deloitte's international arbitration practice in London and has been instructed in many international arbitration matters under a number of different rules, including ICC, LCIA, JCAA, DAI and DIAC and has given expert evidence in international arbitrations a number of times in the UK, Canada, Denmark, France and India. He has also been selected by Global Arbitration Review's independent research with clients and peers for inclusion in the Expert Witnesses chapter of Who's Who Legal: Arbitration a guide to the world's leading commercial arbitration expert witnesses.

Monika Feigerlova



Research Fellow, Institute of State and Law, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic Centre for Climate Law and Sustainability Studies (CLASS)

JUDr. Monika Feigerlová, LL.M., PhD. works as a research fellow at the Institute of State and Law of the Czech Academy of Sciences in Prague and is a member of the climate law research team (Centre for Climate Law and Sustainability Studies). She obtained a PhD at the Law Faculty of Charles University in Prague in 2009 and completed the Master in International Dispute Settlement programme (MIDS) at the Graduate Institute and University of Geneva in 2012. Monika was admitted to the Czech Bar Association in 2007 and practiced law with leading law firms in Prague. Her research focuses on international dispute settlement, international investment law and climate law. She is also member of the Committee for doctoral theses at the Charles University in Prague and the Executive Member of the Czech Society of International Law.

Elliot Friedman



Partner Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer (New York)

Elliot is a partner in Freshfields' international arbitration group based in New York. His practice focuses on international commercial and investor-state arbitration. He has particular expertise in the life sciences, energy, financial services, and technology sectors and has handled arbitration proceedings before almost every major arbitral institution.

Recent work highlights include representing ConocoPhillips in its \$8.5 billion arbitration victory against Venezuela relating to one of the largest expropriations in history, a major European corporate in a multi-billion-dollar post-M&A rep and warranty arbitration, and a leading US life sciences company in a number of its high-stakes international arbitrations.

Elliot also represents companies in transnational litigation in US courts, including in relation to the enforcement of arbitral awards and sovereign immunity issues. He was part of the team that represented BG Group in the first ever case concerning a bilateral investment treaty to be considered by the US Supreme Court.

In 2021, Elliot was named as one of Who's Who Legal's leading arbitration lawyers and by Legal 500 USA as a "Leading Lawyer" nationwide. He has been ranked for international arbitration by Chambers Global and Chambers USA since 2017. Elliot is a member of the Executive Board of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration (ITA) and of the Executive Committee of the New York International Arbitration Center (NYIAC).

Manuel A. Gómez



Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Global Engagement Florida International University

Manuel A. Gómez is a Professor of Law and Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and Global Engagement at Florida International University College of Law. He specializes in international dispute resolution, comparative civil procedure, and complex litigation. Professor Gómez is a founding Board Member of the Miami International Arbitration Society (MIAS) and leads the Law School Liaison Committee of the International Law Section (ILS) of the Florida Bar. He leads the Latin America & Caribbean Group and is a member of the Initiative on International Arbitration. Mediation and Blockchain-Based Transactions of the Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Center (SVAMC). Professor Gómez is the Editor-in-Chief of the World Arbitration and Mediation Review (WAMR) and serves on the editorial board of other prominent journals. Professor Gómez is the author, editor or co-editor of numerous publications in the field of dispute resolution and governance and the globalization of the legal profession.

Andrés Jana



Partner Bofill Mir & Alvarez, Santiago, Chile

Andrés Jana, Chair, UNCITRAL Working Group II. Founding partner in charge of the International Arbitration Group at Bofill Mir & Alvarez, Santiago, Chile. He is the Chilean delegate before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, UNCITRAL and is a member of the Working Group on Arbitration Involving States or State Entities of the ICC's Arbitration Committee.

Crenguta Leaua



Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies/Director The Swiss Institute for Alternative Thinking

Crenguta Leaua is a professor of law, habilitatus, teaching comparative international arbitration, business law and communications and new technologies law at the Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Faculty of Law and Faculty of Cybernetics and Informatics in Economics. She also invited for guest lectures at Columbia University, Georgetown University, Florida International University, Arizona State University in Phoenix, Science Po.

She is an experienced arbitrator, in over 150 cases and being listed by numerous arbitral institutions worldwide. She also has over 25 years experience as counsel in both commercial and investment arbitration, particularly in complex and technology-related disputes, being the founder of Leaua Damcali Deaconu Paunescu - LDDP Law firm in Bucharest, a GAR 100 law firm. A past vice-president of the International Court of Arbitration ICC Paris, and currently a member of the board of directors of the Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Center, where she chairs the SVAMV Initiative on arbitration and blockchain-based transactions, Professor Leaua is recognised as thought leader in arbitration.

She is currently based in Lugano, Switzerland, where she has establish her independent practice as arbitrator and is developing a new project - the Swiss Institute of Alternative Thinking- combining her legal background and her passion for new technologies with her executive education in leadership at Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government, as well as in the phenomena of economic disruption at London School of Economics. In her capacity of director of the Institute, she focuses on the development of the alternative thinking method and builds an international network of multi-disciplinary experts in law, business and technology who provides innovative, multi-faceted solutions to complex problems and executive education for adaptative transformation in decision-making.

Claire Morel de Westgaver

Partner Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner



Claire Morel de Westgaver is qualified in England & Wales and in New York, with a mixed common / civil law background, having completed her legal education in Belgium and in the USA. She practises international arbitration as counsel, as advocate and as arbitrator, and conducts proceedings in both English and French. She has particular experience of disputes relating to technology, corporate transactions, licenses, cross-border sale or service agreements, as well as disputes involving secrecy, intellectual property and data security issues. She is listed on the Lists of Arbitrators of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Arbitration and Mediation Centre and of the Tashkent International Arbitration Centre (TIAC). She has experience as sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator and tribunal chair in arbitrations conducted under the Arbitration Rules of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Centre and the CEPANI. She is a co-founder of the award-winning initiative Mute Off Thursdays and a Board member of the Silicon Valley Arbitration and Mediation Centre (SVAMC). She sits on the ICC Taskforce on the use of Information Technology in arbitral proceedings, on the ICC Taskforce on Disability Inclusion in International Arbitration, on the IBA Arbitration Committee Taskforce on Privilege in International Arbitration and on the Advisory Board of CyberArb. She is a Belgian citizen and she is based in London where she lives with her husband and their three children.

Tilman Niedermaier



Partner CMS Hasche Sigle Partnerschaft von Rechtsanwälten und Steuerberatern mbB

Tilman Niedermaier represents clients in complex disputes before courts and arbitral tribunals. He is an expert in international procedural and contract law and focuses on corporate, commercial and international investment disputes. Tilman advises on matters related to large-scale projects, distribution and procurement contracts, license and IP agreements, M&A contracts and joint ventures in a variety of industry sectors (i.a. automotive, aerospace & defence, engineering, energy, infrastructure & transport and sports). Tilman also acts as arbitrator.

Racheli Pry-Reichman



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Racheli Pry-Reichman is a partner in Herzog Fox & Neeman's Litigation department, specializing in litigation and court representation of our firm's major clients in local and international corporate suits, contractual and general litigation, including tender, civil and commercial, real estate and planning and construction suits. Racheli leads workshops and seminars, and participates in panels organised by the Israel Bar in the field of litigation.

Cedric Sabbah



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Cedric Sabbah is Director for Emerging Technologies at the Office of the Deputy Attorney General (International Law) in Israel's Ministry of Justice. He advises Israel's National Cyber Directorate and other government departments on questions of cybersecurity, internet governance, artificial intelligence and information technology generally, as they relate to international law. He is Israel's delegate to CAI, the Council of Europe's Committee on Artificial Intelligence. In addition, he has served as Israel's delegate UNCITRAL and the Hague Conference on Private International Law, focusing on dispute resolution and technology. He served as a foreign clerk at Israel's Supreme Court, then as legislative counsel in Canada's Department of Justice (2002-2006). Cedric worked as an M&A and hi-tech lawyer in the firm of Ephraim Abramson & Co in Jerusalem (2007-2011). He is a guest lecturer on cybersecurity, internet governance and international law, and holds an LLB and LLM from the University of Montreal.

Shai Sharvit



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Shai Sharvit is an Of Counsel at Gornitzky & Co. His practice focuses mainly on international arbitration and complex commercial disputes, which have cross-border or multi-jurisdictional aspects.

Shai has extensive experience in representing Israeli and foreign companies and individuals in commercial disputes, including construction, insurance claims, shareholders disputes, D&O liability, IP disputes, class actions, real-estate disputes, professional negligence, product liability, and contractual disputes, before all of Israel's judicial instances, including the Israeli Supreme Court, and in alternative dispute resolution proceedings.

Patricia Shaughnessy



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Patricia Shaughnessy, Associate Professor at Stockholm University, primarily researches and teaches in the field of international disputes and commercial law. She acts as an arbitrator, expert, and consultant in legal development projects in many countries. She is a member of the ICC Court of Arbitration and the international boards of the Georgian International Arbitration Centre and the Tehran Regional Arbitration Centre. Until 2019, she was the Vice-Chair of the Board of the SCC Arbitration Institute, having been a Board member since 2006. She was a government-appointed expert on the 2019 revisions to the Swedish Arbitration Act. She practiced law for ten years in the US and has served as a US Supreme Court judicial fellow.

Elizabeth S. Stong



U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Eastern District of New York

Judge Stong is a US Bankruptcy Judge for the Eastern District of New York, and assumed the bench in 2003. Previously, she was a litigation partner at Willkie Farr & Gallagher, litigation associate at Cravath, Swaine & Moore, and law clerk to US District Judge David Mazzone. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, the Council of the American Law Institute, the Advisory Committee to Columbia University's Committee on Global Thought, and the Advisory Board of the ABA Center for Human Rights. She holds leadership roles in the Practising Law Institute, PRIME Finance, New York City Bar Association, New York County Lawyers Association, and the ABA's Business Law Section, International Law Section, and Judicial Division, among other organizations.

Her past positions include Harvard Law School Association President, National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges International Judicial Relations Committee Chair, Co-Chair of the American Bar Foundation New York Fellows, and New York City Bar ADR Committee Chair. She also served on the ABA's Standing Committees on Pro Bono and Public Service, the American Judicial System, and Continuing Legal Education, Commissions on Women in the Profession, and Homelessness and Poverty, and Board of the Center for Innovation.

Judge Stong is an adjunct professor at Brooklyn Law School and has trained judges in more than twenty-five countries on five continents, with ABA-ROLI, INSOL, the World Bank, and US Commerce Department. She has received many awards for her work to improve access to justice, and is an active community volunteer.

Judge Stong studied at the Universite des Sciences Sociales in Toulouse, France, as a Rotary Foundation Graduate Fellow. She received her AB magna cum laude, where she was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, and her JD from Harvard University, where she received the Williston Prize.

Takashi Takashima



Senior Attorney Litigation Bureau/Minister's Secretariat International Affairs Division Ministry of Justice, Japan

Mr. Takashi Takashima has been Senior Attorney of the Litigation Bureau and the Minister's Secretariat International Affairs Division of the Ministry of Justice since January 2019. His primary responsibilities are to engage in the formulation of the Japanese Government's strategies on international disputes and to represent meetings and coordinate policy on legal issues in multilateral forums with a special focus on UNCITRAL and ICSID.

Alongside his extensive experience in dispute settlement, having served twelve years as Judge of various Japanese domestic courts such as the district courts of Tokyo and Osaka, he has diplomatic experience as second secretary of the Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations.

Mr. Takashima functioned as coordinator for the process on the enlargement of UNCITRAL membership and successfully led the negotiations to a consensual adoption of a resolution increasing UNCITRAL membership from sixty to seventy at the United Nations General Assembly on 9 December 2021. He also served as Rapporteur for the UNCITRAL WGII project on the expedited arbitration rules

Yoshihiro Takatori



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Yoshi Takatori is an expert of dispute resolution including international litigation, arbitration and mediation. He is one of the few Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (F.C.I.Arb.). He is the world's leading expert and listed as a recommended arbitrator for the Japan Commercial Arbitration Association (JCAA) and is also listed on both Singapore International Centre's (SIAC) and Korean Commercial Arbitration Board's (KCAB) Panel of Arbitrators and as a Specialist Mediator at Singapore International Mediation Center (SIMC). Expertized in Cross-border Dispute Resolution including, IP, PL, Anti-Trust, and Employment, Compliance, and Cyber-Security. He also gives advice to Government of Japan and conduct training sessions to Judges. Executive Director of Japan Arbitrators Association, Co-Convener of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Japan Chapter, and Advisory Board/Chair of Web Hearing Committee of Japan International Dispute Resolution Center, and a member of Private International Law Association of Japan. Top 10 most innovative lawyers in Asia Pacific, as the only one Japanese lawyer, awarded by Financial Times, 2019.

Gilad Wekselman



Partner Herzog Fox Neeman & Co.

Dr. Wekselman has been practicing law for more than 25 years, and has extensive experience in handling a wide variety of civil and commercial disputes, including: civil disputes, commercial disputes, international and administrative procedures, disputes involving corporate and securities law, derivative claims, shareholders disputes, commercial claims for breach of contracts, class action suits, tender laws, intellectual property and copyright, trusts and estates, real estate, family law disputed, tax disputes, environmental law disputes and contractors disputes.

Dr. Wekselman represents leading international companies as well as some of the largest Israeli entities. His clients include, among others: GE, Smiths Detection, Global Data, Mega Or Holdings Ltd., Discount Investments Corporation Ltd, Odis Filtering Ltd., HP, Rani Zim Hasharon Properties and Entrepreneurship Ltd, Neopharm Ltd, Bank of Jerusalem.

Dr. Wekselman is also a member of the Civil Procedure Committee, headed by the Minister of Justice, and serves as a judge of the National Disciplinary Court of the Israel Bar Association.

Dr. Wekselman serves as a mediator and an arbitrator in complex disputes in the various fields of law.

In the academic realm, Dr. Wekselman is considered an expert in the field of intellectual property and copyright law. He is an adjunct professor at the Tel Aviv University Law Faculty and Bar IIan University Law Faculty, where he teaches a course on "Copyrights in the Digital Age".

Dr. Wekselman's professional publications are often cited in academic literature in the field of intellectual property, as well as in the rulings of the district courts and the Supreme Court.