INVITATION

An Overview of Mediation in the GCC and the Development of Investor State Mediation

Sunday, 14th October 2018
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

ADGM Authorities Building, Al Maryah Island, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

This forum will, through interactive panels and a mock mediation:

• review the adoption of mediation in the Gulf Region
• analyse how to make mediation more relevant in the Region
• explore the developing impact of mediation on the resolution of IS disputes
• discuss the challenges to mediating IS disputes and possible solutions
• observe mediation in action with a mock IS mediation session

The Forum’s speakers will be drawn from the major institutions involved in developing IS mediation, together with corporate investors and state representatives.

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PROGRAMME

08:30 REGISTRATION AND WELCOME BREAKFAST
09:15 Welcome and Introductions:
Linda Fitz-Alan - Registrar and Chief Executive, ADGM Courts
09:30 Keynote address:
Mohamed Amara - General Counsel, UAE Space Agency
09:45 Session 1: Overview of Mediation in the Gulf
Moderators:
Alina Leoveanu - Manager, ICC International Centre for ADR, Paris
James South - Managing Director, The Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR), London
Speakers:
Laila Al Shentenawi - Senior Associate, Al Tamimi & Co, Dubai
Lucas Pitts - Partner, Baker Botts, Dubai
Malik Dahlia - Professor of International Law and Public Policy, Queen Mary University, London
• Overview of Mediation and key characteristics
• Mediation in the Region - Cases, Sectors and Special Characteristics
• How to make mediation more relevant in the Region
11:00 REFRESHMENT BREAK
11:45 Session 2: Development of IS Mediation
Moderator:
Mark Appel - ArbDB Chambers, London
Speakers:
Alejandro Carballo-Leyda - General Counsel, International Energy Charter, Brussels
Claudia Caluori - Senior Foreign Counsel, Eptalex-Aziz Torbey Law Firm, Beirut
Matei Purice - Senior Associate, Dispute Resolution, Freshfields, Dubai
Wolf von Kumberg - Chair CEDR, IDA and ArbDB Chambers, London
• Recent developments including ECT Guide to Mediation, IS Mediator Training and State Protocols
• Challenges to mediating IS disputes and Possible Solutions
• Establishing an IS mediation culture
13:00 LUNCH
14:15 Session 3: Mock Mediation
Moderators:
Wolf von Kumberg - ArbDB Chambers, IMI and IDR, London
Co Mediators:
James South - Managing Director, The Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR), London
Mark Appel - Chair, IMI Investor-State Mediation Taskforce - Arbitrator and Mediator, ArbDB Chambers, London
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Michael Cover - Independent Arbitrator, Mediator and Adjudicator, ArbDB Chambers, London
Malik Dahlia - Professor of Law and Public Policy, Queen Mary University, London
Taking the participants through the key stages of a mock IS mediation using a hypothetical ISDS case study.
15:30 Closing Session – Wrap up Comments
Linda Fitz-Alan - Registrar and Chief Executive, ADGM Courts, Abu Dhabi
15:45 CLOSE
16:00 Networking Event
Hidden Bar, Rosewood Hotel, Al Maryah Island