Fifth Executive Training Programme for Young Energy Leaders
Legal Session

Enabling Amicable Settlement of Investment Disputes:
Mediation and Conciliation

Useful information

WHERE:
Energy Charter Secretariat
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WHEN:
from Tuesday 4th November 2014
to Friday 7th November 2014

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to be completed by
Friday 31st October 2014

About the Training Programme

The 2014 Autumn Session of the Executive Training Programme for Young Energy Professionals will be focusing on the topic of Investment Mediation and Conciliation. Participants in the programme will benefit from in-depth exposure to the knowledge and experience accumulated by the Energy Charter, and will be trained by high-level international experts in the fields of mediation, conciliation and negotiation. This fifth edition of the Energy Charter Training Programme will include:

- An exclusive seminar on State-to-State arbitration
  Tuesday 4th November 2014, 10h00-15h00
  (government officials only)

- A new offering in this Training Programme is a high-level Seminar on State-to-State arbitration, exclusively open to government officials interested in acquiring additional knowledge and training on State-to-State arbitration mechanisms. The seminar will be held by legal counsels form the Permanent Court of Arbitration, the main international institution administering State-to-State arbitration.

- An optional, informative pre-training session on the Energy Charter Treaty
  Tuesday 4th November 2014, 15h00-18h00
  During this session, Energy Charter Officials will discuss the legal aspects of the Energy Charter Treaty with participants in an interactive and dynamic manner, in order to prepare them for the highly challenging programme.

- The Training Programme instruction sessions
  Wednesday 5th - Friday 7th November 2014 (morning sessions)
  Participants will have the unique chance to learn about mediation and conciliation directly from in-house counsels and real-life negotiators from institutions and private companies, including mediatEUR Brussels, UNCTRAL and the International Bar Association. Participants will become acquainted with:
  - Personal negotiating experiences of instructors
  - Differences and analogies between mediation, conciliation and arbitration
  - Negotiation skills
  - Applicable rules for mediating and conciliating investment disputes
  - Drafting a settlement agreement.

- The negotiation training scenario
  Wednesday 5th – Friday 7th November 2014 (afternoon sessions)
  Participants will be fully engaged in a real-life negotiation scenario abiding by IBA mediation rules, which will cover the entire process: choosing conciliation or mediation, negotiating a settlement agreement, and drafting the final document. Participants will be divided into investor companies and states and will be supported by professional mediators in their discussions.

  Upon completion of the programme, participants will benefit from a complete picture on how mediation and conciliation can assist them in real-life investment dispute resolutions. The programme will offer participants a rich, unique and in-depth training, ranging from understanding the different legal instruments available, to acquiring fundamental negotiation skills, to reaching a settlement agreement. Attendance to this course and especially the interactive, hands-on simulation exercise will thus help participants develop the relevant legal know-how and skills in a ready-to-use form.
External Trainers include:

MS. SARAH GRIMMER  
Senior Legal Counsel  
PERMANENT COURT OF ARBITRATION

DR. LOUKAS MISTELIS  
Professor of Transnational Commercial Law and Arbitration  
QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY

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MS. ANNA JOUBIN-BRET  
International Investment Lawyer  
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MS. RABAB YASSEEN  
International Commercial Lawyer  
MENTHA AVOCATS GENEVA

Who should attend

Participants are invited from the legal sector, both private and public, the wider energy industry.

Participants should have a relevant academic or professional background in law, investment, energy, finance, international government relations, etc.

The Programme caters to a maximum of 30 persons, so interested candidates are warmly invited to register early.

Participation Fee

The Training Programme fee is Eur 2 850 per participant and covers the cost of all deliverable learning modules throughout the course, including all learning materials, orientation sessions, receptions, lunches, coffee breaks, dinners, and networking cocktails. It is envisaged that participants will cover the cost of their accommodation and travel to Brussels.

Participants nominated by national authorities from across the wider Energy Charter constituency are likely to be exempt from the payment. Priority for fee-exemption will be given to nationals of countries who were not represented in previous training. Representatives from Brussels-based Missions may participate in programme sessions as guests but will not be awarded a Certificate of Excellence.

Participants from academic institutions are invited to inquire about the academic rate of Eur 1 500.

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