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The Current State of International Arbitration and a Vision of the Future

Date: 31 January 2008

Venue: The Grand Hyatt New York

109 East 42nd Street at Grand Central Terminal
New York, NY 10017 (United States)

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Objective

The proliferation of international commercial disputes is an inevitable by-product of the global economy. Today's business and operating conditions underscore arbitration's advantages over litigation, especially in cross-border disputes. Two of the most pre-eminent arbitration institutions bring together the point of view of all actors – in-house counsels, counsels, arbitrators, ADR practitioners and academics – with the purpose of contemplating the role and state of international arbitration today. A future outlook will also be provided and possible alternative dispute resolution methods will be considered. This event will also focus on the intrinsic heterogeneity of international arbitration and attempts of harmonization.

Who should attend?

The topics covered will be of interest to practicing lawyers, corporate counsel, arbitrators, mediators, academics, ADR experts and users, and businesspersons who wish to learn more about international arbitration and dispute resolution.

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08:30 – 09:00

Registration**Welcome remarks and introduction**

- Report on the findings of several studies (ICDR-AAA)
- Report on techniques for controlling time and cost in arbitration (ICC)

Current voice of the arbitration community and a vision of the future

The panel, made up of an academic, an in-house counsel, a counsel, an arbitrator and an ADR specialist, will tackle several issues such as the attitude of state courts towards international arbitration, arbitration clauses, time and costs in arbitration as well as interim measures. The speakers will also address questions such as why we need arbitration, the future role of arbitration as well as the possible relevance of other methods of dispute resolution.

Discussion**Has arbitration procedure become homogenous?**

The session will deal with the different ways of "conducting arbitrations" and the implications of diverse systems of law and cultural backgrounds in the arbitral process. The impact of incentives such as the IBA Rules on Evidence and the UNCITRAL notes on organization of the procedure will also be considered. The panel will also discuss the steps that need to be taken in order to reach a homogeneous arbitral process and whether this is actually a desirable goal.

Discussion**End of the conference***Lunch*

13:00

13:15 – 14:30

Speakers

- **Guillermo Aguilar Alvarez**, Partner & Co-Head of the International Arbitration / International Trade Practice Group, Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP, New York, NY, United States
- **Nabil N. Antaki**, Associate Director, Centre for Business Law & International Commerce, Faculty of Law, University of Montreal, Montreal, Quebec, Canada; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
- **Mark C. Baker**, Senior Partner and Co-Head International Practice, Fulbright & Jaworski LLP, Houston, TX, United States
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- **Hans van Houtte**, Professor, Institute for International Trade Law, University of Leuven, Belgium
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- **Kap-You (Kevin) Kim**, Partner and Head of the International Litigation and Arbitration Group, Bae, Kim & Lee LLC, Republic of Korea; Vice Chair, International Arbitration Committee, ICC Korea; Vice-President, Korean Council for International Arbitration; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
- **Richard Naimark**, Senior Vice President, International Center for Dispute Resolution (ICDR) / American Arbitration Association (AAA), New York
- **Roland Schroeder**, Senior Counsel, General Electric, Fairfield, CT, United States
- **Jernej Sekolec**, Director, International Trade Division, Office of Legal Affairs Secretary, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), Vienna
- **Audley Sheppard**, Partner, Clifford Chance LLP, United Kingdom
- **Maria-Mercedes Tarrazón Rodón**, Lawyer & Independent Arbitrator, Spain; Court Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
- **Pierre Tercier**, Chairman, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris
- **Nathalie Voser**, Attorney-at-Law, Schellenberg Wittmer, Switzerland

Working language

This conference will be held in English.

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Registration fees

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■ **US\$ 250**

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■ **US\$ 300**

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