

International Investment Arbitration in the MENA Region

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Thursday 10 December 2015
The Diplomat Radisson Blu
Manama, Bahrain

- 8:30 - 9:00 **Registration and Breakfast**
Breakfast sponsored by Haya Rashed Al Khalifa - Attorneys at Law & Legal Consultants, Manama
- 9:00 - 9:30 **Welcome and Introduction by:**
H.E. Sh. Khalid bin Ali Al Khalifa, *Minister of Justice, Islamic Affairs and Waqf, Bahrain*
Nassib G. Ziadé, *BCDR-AAA, Manama*
N. Jansen Calamita, *Investment Treaty Forum, BIICL, London*
Timothy Lemay, *UNCITRAL, Vienna*
- 9:30 - 10:45 **Panel 1: Avoiding and Addressing Conflicts of Interest in Arbitral Appointments**
Moderator:
Philippe Leboulanger, *Leboulanger & Associés, Paris*
Speakers:
Brooks Daly, *Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague*
Fatma Khalifa, *Egyptian State Lawsuits Authority, Cairo*
Nassib G. Ziadé, *BCDR-AAA, Manama*
- 10:45 - 11:00 **Tea/Coffee break**
- 11:00 - 12:15 **Panel 2: Taking Another Bite at the Apple? Post-Award Recourse**
Moderator:
Antonio R. Parra, *World Bank, Washington*
Speakers:
Gordon Blanke, *DWF (Middle East) LLP, DIFC, Dubai*
Georgios Petrochilos, *Three Crowns LLP, Paris*
Iain Maxwell, *Herbert Smith Freehills, London*
- 12:15 - 12:30 **Tea/Coffee break**

12:30 - 13:45 **Panel 3: *Bilateral and Multilateral Investment Agreements in the Arab World***

Moderator:

Mohamed Abdel Raouf, *Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration, Cairo*

Speakers:

Adnan Amkhan Bayno, *MENA Chambers, Manama*

Nagla Nassar, *Nassar Law, Cairo*

Dany Khayat, *Mayer Brown, Paris*

13:45 - 15:15 **Lunch**

Lunch sponsored by Al Tamimi & Company, Manama

15:15 - 16:30 **Panel 4: *What Next for the MENA Region and Investment Treaties? Are Arab States Being Left Behind?***

Moderator:

N. Jansen Calamita, *Investment Treaty Forum, BIICL, London*

Speakers:

Raéd Fathallah, *Bredin Prat, Paris*

Anne K. Hoffmann, *Al Tamimi & Co., Dubai*

Karim A. Youssef, *Amereller Legal Consultants, Cairo and Dubai*

16:30 - 17:00 **Closing Remarks**

Jan Paulsson, *Three Crowns, Washington, DC*