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Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA)



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In October 2017, BCDR-AAA adopted new, comprehensive and state-of-the-art international arbitration rules, reflecting current best practice in the field and providing the parties and the tribunal with all necessary means for the fair, effective and expeditious conduct of arbitration. The rules and a model arbitration clause are at www.bcdr-aaa.org

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The mission of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) is to promote policies that will improve the economic and social well-being of people around the world.

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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Registration of Participants (8:30–9:00)

Opening Ceremony (9:00–9:20)

Shaikha Haya Rashid Al Khalifa, Chair, Board of Trustees, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA)

Luca Castellani, Legal Officer, UNCITRAL

Nassib G. Ziadé, Chief Executive Officer, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA)

Morning Sessions (9:20–13:00)

(9:20–9:30) Introductory remarks on the business and investment climate in the MENA Region
Diane Pallez-Guillevic, Policy Analyst, Middle East and Africa Division, Global Relations Secretariat, OECD

PANEL A (9:30–11:00) **The impartiality and independence of arbitrators and the need to avoid conflicts of interest in international commercial arbitration**

Moderator: **Sophie Nappert**, Arbitrator, 3 Verulam Buildings Chambers, London

Speakers: **Stefano Azzali**, Secretary-General, Milan Chamber of Arbitration; Director, ISPRAMED
Thomas Clay, Professor, Faculty of Law, Sorbonne University (Paris 1); Managing Partner, Clay Arbitration Office
Ahmed Ouerfelli, Attorney-at-law (Ouerfelli Attorneys & Counsel), former Judge, Tunis

Following the speakers' presentations, time will be allowed for questions and comments from the floor.

Coffee Break (11:00–11:15)

PANEL B (11:15–12:45) **Practical aspects of investment arbitration procedure and transparency**

Moderator: **Sophie Nappert**, Arbitrator, 3 Verulam Buildings Chambers, London

Speakers: **Hussein Haeri**, Partner, Withers LLP, London
Michael Hwang, Chief Justice, DIFC Courts
Judith Knieper, Legal Officer, UNCITRAL

Following the speakers' presentations, time will be allowed for questions and comments from the floor.

(12:45–13:00) Concluding remarks on morning sessions

Nassib G. Ziadé, Chief Executive Officer, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA); former Director, Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC); former Deputy Secretary-General (and Acting Secretary-General), ICSID

Business Lunch (13:00–14:00)

Sponsored by Nassar Law, Cairo, Egypt

Afternoon Training Sessions (14:00–17:15)

SESSION A (14:00–15:30) Impartiality and independence of arbitrators

Goal: Identifying and addressing conflicts of interest arising in arbitration is a vital matter, of relevance to the judiciary and to lawyers acting either as arbitrator or as party representative.

This training session will build on the morning's presentations on this topic, with discussions of actual examples of circumstances giving rise to questions as to an arbitrator's impartiality or independence.

The panel will consider these topics with delegates, by reference to current rules and guidelines, including, among others, those contained in the UNCITRAL Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration (Article 12) and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (Articles 11 to 13).

Trainers: **Adrian Winstanley**, Independent Arbitrator; former Director-General, LCIA
Nagla Nassar, Partner, Nassar Law, Cairo
Ismail Selim, Director, Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration

Coffee Break (15:30–15:45)

SESSION B (15:45–17:15) Investment arbitration procedure

Goal: This training session aims to inform the audience about:

- recommendations when facing a claim from an investor,
- issues to consider in relation to dispute resolution when preparing/signing an investment treaty or drafting/amending domestic legislation,
- the impact of multilateral investment treaties on the general legal framework for investments.

The key provisions and benefits of UNCITRAL instruments on transparency in treaty-based investor-state arbitration (the UNCITRAL Rules on Transparency and the Mauritius Convention on Transparency) will be discussed during this session.

Trainers: **Antonio R. Parra**, former Deputy Secretary-General, ICSID
Dany Khayat, Partner, Mayer Brown, Paris
Jeremy Sharpe, Partner, Shearman & Sterling, London

Closing Remarks (17:15–17:30)

Antonio Sanchez-Pedreño, President, Madrid Court of Arbitration (CAM)
Nassib G. Ziadé, Chief Executive Officer, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA)

SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES



Stefano Azzali

**Secretary-General, Milan Chamber of Arbitration;
Director, ISPRAMED, Milan**

Stefano Azzali is a lawyer graduated at the Genoa University - School of Law, and is the Secretary General of the Milan Chamber of Arbitration (CAM) since 2001.

He also acts as Director of the the Institute for the Promotion of Arbitration and Mediation in the Mediterranean (ISPRAMED) and as President of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI).

Since 2005, he is Visiting Professor of Arbitration Law at Bocconi University - School of Law in Milan and, since 2012, he is Fellow at the Centre for Transnational Litigation and Commercial Law, New York University - School of Law.

He is member of the Federal Court of Justice of the Disciplinary Commission of the Italian Football Federation (FIGC), and of the Formula One International Contract Recognition Board.

Author of articles and publications on arbitration, he is member of the panel of arbitrators before various arbitral institutions (ICDR, VIAC, CIETAC etc.) and delegate for Italy for the Uncitral Working Group II (Arbitration and Conciliation); he acted as arbitrator in several ad hoc and institutional proceedings (ICC, ICDR, DIS, Swiss Chambers etc).



Thomas Clay

**Professor, Faculty of Law, Sorbonne University (Paris 1);
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Thomas Clay is Professor at the Sorbonne University in International Arbitration Law and former Director of the LLM in International Arbitration at the Versailles Law School in collaboration with the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), which is the only program in International Arbitration Law taught in French. He's also managing partner of Clay Arbitration Office and former Dean of the Versailles Law School.

Member of the French Arbitration Committee and of the International Arbitration Institute as well as other institutions, Professor Clay is the author of numerous books and articles on arbitration, including "The Arbitrator", a treatise on the duties and obligations of arbitrators, and recently the "Commentary on the Arbitration Code". He writes a regular column, Arbitration Law, in the weekly legal journal Dalloz. He participates in numerous conferences throughout the world on international arbitration.

Professor Clay acts also as counsel or arbitrator, in French, Spanish, English and Italian, as Chairman, sole arbitrator or co-arbitrator in domestic and international arbitration proceedings, ad hoc and

under the aegis of the ICC, ICSID, LCIA, Stockholm arbitration Chamber, Center for Mediation and Arbitration of Paris (CMAP), Milan Arbitration Chamber, in Africa and South America, etc. Professor Clay is a member of the Jurisdiction of Professional Soccer League and Arbitrator in the French Sport Arbitration Chamber. He was appointed by France to serve as co-arbitrator in the first ICSID Arbitration against that country.



Hussein Haeri

Partner, Withers LLP, London

Hussein Haeri is a partner and co-head of the international arbitration group at Withers LLP, based in London. He specialises in investment treaty and commercial arbitration, and public international law. He has acted as counsel in international arbitrations under the rules of ICSID, UNCITRAL, LCIA, ICC, SCC and SIAC, as well as ad hoc arbitrations. His clients include governments and multinational corporations as well as other international investors. His main areas of practice include international investment projects and disputes involving states, natural resources (including oil and gas, mining and metals), infrastructure, technology and joint ventures.

Hussein has served as counsel in state-state proceedings before the International Court of Justice and in national courts, including the courts of England and Wales, on public international law matters. He practiced in New York and Paris before returning to London where he is a Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales.

Hussein has taught international arbitration and international law at universities around the world, including King College London, University College London (UCL), Sciences Po, the University of Versailles and Rome Tre University. He has published numerous articles and is a frequent speaker on the law and practice of international arbitration. He is a member of the ICC Task Force on Trusts and Arbitration and an Arbitrator Panellist of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA). He was Consulting Editor of the BCDR International Arbitration Review special edition on Investment Arbitration in the Middle East.



Michael Hwang

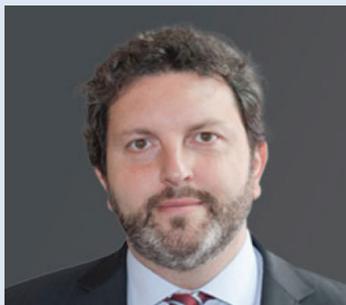
Chief Justice, DIFC Courts, Dubai

Michael Hwang S.C. currently practices as an international arbitrator and mediator based in Singapore (with overseas memberships of Chambers in London and Sydney). He also serves as the non-resident Chief Justice of the Dubai International Financial Centre Courts. He has two law degrees from Oxford University, to which he gained admission by winning an open scholarship examination. In 2014 he was conferred an Honorary LL.D degree by the University of Sydney.

His past and present appointments include: (a) Judicial Commissioner of the Supreme Court of Singapore; (b) Senior Counsel of the Supreme Court of Singapore; (c) Singapore's non-resident Ambassador to Switzerland and Argentina; (d) President of the Law Society of Singapore; (e) Adjunct

Professor, National University of Singapore; (f) Commissioner of the United Nations Compensation Commission; (g) Vice Chair of the ICC International Court of Arbitration; (h) Vice Chair of the IBA Arbitration Committee.

His arbitration and mediation career has (a) involved disputes in 41 countries (b) resulted in hearings in 25 cities (c) led him to speak at conferences and seminars in 50 cities. He has been described by Chambers Asia 2008 as “a brilliant world class arbitrator” who is “popular, prominent, incisive and decisive”. Global Arbitration Review 2008” ranked him as Asia’s top arbitrator out of a list of 25. “The Best of the Best 2015” ranked him as one of the top 42 commercial arbitration practitioners in the world. “Chambers Global 2016”, under the heading “Most in Demand Arbitrators”, included him as one of the top 37 arbitrators on its Global Wide list.



Dany Khayat

Partner, Mayer Brown, Paris

Dany Khayat is the head of the International Arbitration and Litigation practice in Paris and the co-head of the Mayer Brown’s Middle-East disputes practice.

Practicing arbitration for almost 20 years, Dany has been involved in numerous arbitration proceedings under the rules of leading arbitral institutions including the ICC, ICSID (including Additional Facility), SIAC, SCC, CCJA as well as in ad hoc proceedings (including under the UNCITRAL rules).

Dany has extensive experience in commercial arbitration and acted as lead counsel in dozens of cases under a variety of applicable laws. Dany has particular experience in the fields of energy, mining, construction, intellectual property, infrastructure, JV agreements, distribution, with a particular regional focus on the Middle East and Africa. He also regularly sits as arbitrator (President, Sole Arbitrator, Co-arbitrator) in ICC, DIAC, CRCICA, BCDR-AAA and ad hoc proceedings in English, French and Arabic.

Dany also has substantial knowledge and experience of investment treaty arbitration and has been involved in more than twenty investor/State disputes, representing both States and investors.

Dany is admitted at the Paris Bar and a member of the ICC’s Arab Arbitration Group and the LCIA Arab User’s Council. He regularly speaks in conferences on international arbitration and investor/State disputes.



Judith Knieper

Legal Officer, UNCITRAL, Vienna

Judith Knieper is a legal consultant with 27 years of professional experience. She has been working in South East Europe from 1998 -2013 for numerous donors/organizations, e.g. OSCE, CoE, Worldbank and GIZ, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit, the German international cooperation. She conducted two regional projects in the area of CISG and Alternative Dispute

Resolution for GIZ. Currently, she is working for UNCITRAL as legal officer in Vienna, Austria.

She obtained both Legal State Exams in Frankfurt, Germany as well as her PhD.



Sophie Nappert

Arbitrator, 3 Verulam Buildings Chambers, London

Sophie Nappert is a dual-qualified lawyer in Canada and in the UK. She is an arbitrator in independent practice, based in Gray's Inn, London, specialising in international disputes, notably in energy, infrastructure, natural resources and cross-border investment. Before becoming a full-time arbitrator, she was Head of International Arbitration at a global law firm.

Ms Nappert is trained and has practised in both civil law and common law jurisdictions. She is the peer-nominated Moderator of OGEMID, the online discussion forum on current issues of international investment law, economic law and arbitration. She is ranked in Global Arbitration Review's Top 30 List of Female Arbitrators Worldwide and is commended as a "leading light" in the field by Who's Who Legal.

Ms Nappert delivered the 2015 inaugural Annual Lecture of EFILA, the European Federation of Investment Law and Arbitration, on the topic of Escaping from Freedom? The Dilemma of an Improved ISDS Mechanism, which won the Award for Speech of the Year at the Global Arbitration Review Awards 2016.

She is the author of a Commentary on the 2010 UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules: A Practitioner's Guide (Juris, 2012). She is a guest lecturer at Columbia Law School, Harvard Law School and McGill University Faculty of Law. She created the Nappert Prize in International Arbitration, open to young scholars and practitioners worldwide, and administered under the auspices of McGill University.



Nagla Nassar

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Nagla Nassar is Senior Partner at Nassar Law which was established in 1885. Before joining Nassar Law she was Senior partner at a leading Egyptian Law firm which she joined upon her return from the World Bank where she was with the ICSID Secretariat. She graduated from Cairo University and Trinity College where she got her M. Litt and has an LL.M from Harvard University as well as a PhD from Geneva University and the Diploma of The Hague Academy in Private International Law. She has several publications relating to arbitral practice.

She has practiced in several jurisdictions and is a member of several bars and arbitration forums including being a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators with many years of experience both as an arbitrator and counsel in institutional and ad hoc arbitration. She acted as counsel in many major disputes in different fields serving both multinationals and Egyptian entities. Also, Nassar is

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Ahmed Ouerfelli

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Born in Essers (Tunisia) on 23/11/1970, Ahmed Ouerfelli graduated in business law (1993) and got the Master degree in private law (1995) and graduated from the High Institute for the Judiciary (1995). He served as judge in the Court of First Instance of Ariana (1995-1997) then in the Tunis Court of Appeal (the First President's Section). Since 2000, he was appointed as researcher judge in the Center of Legal and Judicial Studies, specialized in business law. In September 2014, he resigned from his position as magistrate. Between 15 March 2011 and 15 February 2015, he was the Legal advisor in chief to three Presidents of the Republic of Tunisia. Ahmed Ouerfelli served as arbitrator and mediator in several commercial cases. He was counsel for the Tunisian government in two ICSID arbitrations, and of other clients in commercial arbitrations. He was arbitrator in several domestic and international commercial arbitrations, and at the Tunisian National Committee for Sport Arbitration (CNAS). He Chaired the National League of Professional Football (2012). He taught civil law, tax law, arbitration law and international trade law at Tunisian Law schools and high Institutes. Author of three books on the Tunisian arbitration law (domestic and international) and other books on company law and tax law, he also published more than 100 articles in different fields, mainly arbitration law, in more than 13 countries, in Arabic, English and French.



Diane Pallez-Guillevic

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Antonio R. Parra

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Antonio R. Parra is currently a Consultant with the Corporate Secretariat of the World Bank. He previously served as Counsel and Senior Counsel in the Legal Department of the Bank; as Legal Adviser at the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID); and as the first Deputy Secretary-General of ICSID. He is Honorary Secretary-General of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration, a member of the Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution Rules Review Committee, a member of the Executive Committee of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre, and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He holds a Doctorate in Law from the University of Geneva and has published a history of ICSID and 45 articles and contributions to edited volumes.



Ismail Selim

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Ismail Selim is the Director of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA) and Secretary Treasurer of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI). He graduated from Cairo University in 1997 with an LL.B., where he also obtained an LL.M in International Business Law from the I.D.A.I in 1999. He then earned his Master's degree in Public Administration from the E.N.A, in Paris in 2001. He also earned a Certificate in International Commercial Arbitration from Queen Mary University of London in 2005. In 2007, he accomplished an internship program at the ICC Court of International Arbitration. In 2009, he earned his PhD from Burgundy University (France). Selim started off his carrier at the judiciary, until he joined Zulficar & Partners in 2009 as a Partner. Further, in May 2015, Selim joined Nour and Selim in association with Al Tamimi and Company as Partner and Head of Dispute Resolution. Selim teaches Private International Law at the IDAI since 2011. He has been constantly appointed as Presiding arbitrator, Sole Arbitrator and Co-Arbitrator and has acted as a Counsel in various ad hoc and institutional cases under various rules such as CRCICA, Swiss Rules, UNCITRAL, the ICC and the DIFC-LCIA. Selim was recognized as "Leading Individual" by Legal 500 and has published several articles in learned Egyptian and International journals and regularly speaks in international conferences in the field of arbitration and investment.



Jeremy Sharpe

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Jeremy K. Sharpe is a partner in Shearman & Sterling's International Arbitration and Public International Law practices, based in London. He counsels private and sovereign clients on diverse matters of international dispute resolution, public international law, and international investment law and policy. He previously was Chief of Investment Arbitration in the Office of the Legal Adviser at the U.S. Department of State, representing the United States in investor-State and State-to-State disputes arising under U.S. international investment agreements, including NAFTA and CAFTA, and advising on the negotiation of such agreements. He has served as the Legal Adviser to the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad and as an Attorney-Adviser in the State Department's Office of African and Near Eastern Affairs and Office of International Claims and Investment Disputes. He previously practiced international arbitration in Washington, D.C. and served as Legal Assistant to Judge Charles N. Brower at the Iran-United States Claims Tribunal in The Hague. He received his J.D. from NYU Law School and LL.M. from Harvard Law School.



Adrian Winstanley

Independent Arbitrator; former Director-General, LCIA, London

Adrian Winstanley is an English solicitor and an independent arbitrator, mediator and consultant.

He is the immediate past Director General and Executive Director of the London Court of International Arbitration and played a pivotal role in the establishment of DIFC-LCIA (Dubai), LCIA-India (Delhi), and LCIA-MIAC (Mauritius), in the process acquiring valuable insight into all aspects of the conduct of commercial arbitration worldwide.

He was Secretary-Treasurer of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI) from 2000 to 2009; and a Vice President of IFCAI from 2009 to 2013.

Adrian is a member of the LCIA Court; was a member of its Board for 15 years; and has sat on the Board of the International Dispute Resolution Centre (IDRC) since its foundation in 1999.

He is a member of the Panels of Arbitrators of AAA-ICDR; SIAC and KCAB; of the Council of the Mumbai Centre for International Arbitration (MCIA), and of the rules review committee for BCDR-AAA. He is a consultant-adviser to Dispute Resolution Data LLC

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Nassib G. Ziadé

Chief Executive Officer, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA), Manama

Nassib G. Ziadé is the Chief Executive Officer of the Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA) and the General Editor of the BCDR International Arbitration Review. Previously, he served as Director of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), as Deputy Secretary-General (and Acting Secretary-General) of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and Editor-in-Chief of the ICSID Review – Foreign Investment Law Journal, and as Executive Secretary of the World Bank Administrative Tribunal. He has also acted as co-arbitrator or chair in numerous ad hoc and institutional arbitrations in commercial, construction and investment matters.

He is a Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA), a member of the International Advisory Committee of the International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR/AAA), and a former member of the Court of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA). He is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA), a member of the Panels of Arbitrators and Conciliators of ICSID, and a Vice-President of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI).

He has published extensively in the fields of international law and arbitration law and is a frequent speaker at international conferences on a wide range of legal topics. He has taught at the University of Miami School of Law, at the Law Faculty of the University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, at the Law Faculty of the Saint-Joseph University in Lebanon and Dubai, at the Hague Academy of International Law, and at the Paris Academy for International Law. He is a member of the Advisory Committee of the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law at the University of Cambridge, a member of the Executive Council of the American Society of International Law, and a member of the editorial advisory committees of several law journals.

PLACES TO VISIT IN BAHRAIN

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Qal'at al-Bahrain Site and Museum

Hours of operation: Tuesday to Sunday (closed Monday) 8am - 8pm

Entrance fee: 500 fils

Free guided tours (prior booking advised)

Free trilingual audio guides for the visit of the site can be collected at the museum's information desk

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Known as Dilmun in ancient times, Bahrain's rich trading history is reflected in numerous archaeological digs around the island. Qalat al-Bahrain site (Bahrain Fort site) is among the most exciting of these and is registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The fort is located atop a 17.5 hectare artificial hill that has been built while enduring over 4,000 years of continuous occupation. It is also the site of the former capital of Dilmun and is one of the most prolific archaeological digs in the Arabian Gulf. Excavations over the past 50 years have revealed residential, public, commercial, and military structures that testify to the importance of the location over the centuries. Open to the public since 2008, the site museum display area consists of 5 exhibition halls organized around the massive Tell Wall with over 500 artifacts showcased and many interesting layers of its historical legacy revealed, which is further highlighted with the use of the available audio guides. Additionally, a seaside café offers a stunning view of the fort and the surrounding palm groves.

Old Houses of Muharraq

Muharraq

Hours of operation:

Shaikh Isa Bin Ali House:

Sunday to Tuesday, 8am - 2pm; Wednesday to Saturday, 9am - 6pm; Friday, 3pm - 6pm

Shaikh Ebrahim Center:

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Muharraq, the former capital of Bahrain, is known for its cultural contributions through the many restored traditional Bahraini houses that can be found amidst the narrow lanes and byways. The Sheikh Isa bin Ali House is Bahrain's most impressive example of Gulf Islamic architecture featuring four courtyards, beautifully carved wooden doors, and perforated gypsum panels. The Sheikh Ebrahim Bin Mohamed Al Khalifa Center for Culture and Research provides an important insight into several particularly interesting aspects of Bahrain's heritage. From embroidery at Kurar House to a splendid showcase of Bahrain's pearling history at the Bin Matar House, the former home of a renowned pearl merchant, the various houses reflect Sheikh Ebrahim Center's commitment towards preservation of both traditional architecture and history.

The collection of houses includes the Sheikh Ebrahim Lecture Hall, Iqra Children's Library, Heraf al Diyar, Nukhida House (the first house to be restored along the Pearling Path), Kurar House, Abdullah al Zayed House, Bin Matar House, Bu Zaboon House and Mohammed bin Faris House. Each building showcases different aspects of Bahrain's rich heritage.

Hosting regular art exhibitions and film screenings in the old city is Maison Jamsheer, another example of the traditional courtyard houses, which is situated a stone's throw away from Sheikh Ebrahim Center.

Al Qaisariya Souq

Muharraq

Designated as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2012



Suq al Qaisariya is one of the oldest sections of the Muharraq Suq and offers a charming shopping experience that every visitor and resident of Bahrain should enjoy. Currently undergoing extensive restoration work by the Ministry of Culture, the first phase of the project (which has been completed) features a number of renovated shops selling a variety of products ranging from pearls to spices and tea, as well as a traditional café – café Zaafaran – arranged around a number of historic madbassahs.

Since antiquity Bahrain has been famed for its natural pearls which were highly sought after for their unique color and luster (the result of forming at the confluence between fresh underwater springs and the salty sea). Cultured pearls are banned in Bahrain and every pearl purchased locally comes with a certificate of authenticity.

Suq al Qaisariya is an integral component of the “Pearling, Testimony of an Island” project. This Pearling Path is approximately 2 miles long and describes the unique story of pearling in Bahrain and its physical testimony. Designated by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site in 2012, this path can be traversed in order to discover and experience the different elements of the overall narrative.

Bahrain National Theatre

Sheikh Hamad Causeway, East Corniche



The exquisitely designed Bahrain National Theater is the first national theater in the Kingdom and one of its cultural icons. Located between the sea and the Bahrain National Theater lake, the shimmering edifice symbolizes the link between land and sea. Its intricately woven ceiling is inspired by the ceilings of traditional Bahraini homes, with crisscrossing aluminum slats that allow light and air to pass through.

Inside, the auditorium’s modern and delicate curves contrast with its elm-covered walls to resemble pearling dhows. In fact, its entire design draws heavily from the country’s sailing traditions, with a surrounding courtyard that stretches to the sea’s edge, making the entire building look as if it is floating on water. Rising from the top of the building is a golden architectural element that illuminates the center of the glass façade.

The Bahrain National Theater, the third largest theater in the Arab world, can accommodate 1,001 people, an homage to the tales of 1,001 Arabian Nights. Sprawled over 11,869 square meters, the theater, in addition to the main auditorium and two balconies, also houses a smaller auditorium that can seat 100 people, as well as a café in front of the sea. The theater is the place to go to watch top global musical and theatrical shows, or just to admire its amazing architectural design.

الجلسات التدريبية المسائية (٢:٠٠ بعد الظهر - ٥:١٥ مساءً)

الجلسة أ (٢:٠٠ بعد الظهر - ٣:٣٠ مساءً) حيدة المحكمين واستقلاليتهم

- الأهداف:** تحديد وتعريف مفهوم تعارض المصالح الذي يطرأ في التحكيم باعتباره موضوعاً حيويًا مرتبطًا بالقضاء وكذلك بالمحامين بصفقتهم محكمين أو ممثلي أطراف. مرتبطًا بالقضاء وكذلك بالمحامين بصفقتهم محكمين أو ممثلي أطراف.
- هذه الجلسة سوف تبني على ما تم استعراضه في الجلسة الصباحية بخصوص هذا الموضوع، كما ستتضمن نقاشات لأمثلة واقعية لظروف تثير تساؤلات حول حيدة المحكمين واستقلاليتهم.
- ستتدارس هذه الجلسة، مع المشاركين والحضور، هذه المواضيع بالاستناد إلى القواعد والإرشادات، ومن ضمنها تلك الواردة في قانون الأونسيترال النموذجي للتحكيم التجاري الدولي (المادة ١٢) وقواعد الأونسيترال للتحكيم (المواد ١١ إلى ١٣).
- المدرّبون:** أدريان وينستافلي، محكم مستقل، المدير العام السابق لمحكمة لندن للتحكيم الدولي نجلاء نصار، شريك، نصار للمحاماة، القاهرة اسماعيل سليم، مدير، مركز القاهرة الإقليمي للتحكيم التجاري الدولي

استراحة لتناول القهوة (٣:٣٠ مساءً - ٣:٤٥ مساءً)

الجلسة ب (٣:٤٥ مساءً - ٥:١٥ مساءً) إجراءات التحكيم في قضايا الاستثمار

- الأهداف:** تهدف هذه الجلسة التدريبية إلى تعريف المشاركين والحضور بما يلي:
- توصيات عند مواجهة مطالبات من مستثمر،
 - مسائل ينبغي الأخذ بها، فيما يتعلق بتسوية المنازعات، عند إعداد/توقيع معاهدة استثمار أو عند صياغة/تعديل تشريع محلي،
 - تأثير معاهدات الاستثمار متعددة الأطراف على الإطار العام للاستثمارات.
- وسيتّم خلال الجلسة التدريبية استعراض الأحكام الأساسية وفوائد أدوات الأونسيترال فيما يتعلّق بالشفافية في التحكيم بين الدول والمستثمرين المبنى على الاتفاقيات (قواعد الأونسيترال بشأن الشفافية واتفاقية موريثيوس بشأن الشفافية).
- المدرّبون:** أنطونيو آر بارا، نائب الأمين العام السابق للمركز الدولي لتسوية منازعات الاستثمار (إكسيد) داني خياط، شريك، ماير براون، باريس جيريمي شارب، شريك، شيرمان أند ستيرلنغ، لندن

الملاحظات الختامية (٥:١٥ مساءً - ٥:٣٠ مساءً)

أنطونيو سانثيز بيدرينيو، الرئيس، محكمة مدريد للتحكيم
نسيب زيادة، الرئيس التنفيذي، غرفة البحرين لتسوية المنازعات

برنامج المؤتمر

تسجيل المشاركين (٨:٣٠ صباحاً - ٩:٠٠ صباحاً)

حفل الافتتاح (٩:٠٠ صباحاً - ٩:٢٠ صباحاً)

الشيخة هيا بنت راشد آل خليفة، رئيس مجلس الأمناء، غرفة البحرين لتسوية المنازعات
لوكا كاستيلاني، موظف قانوني، الأونسيترال
نسيب زيادة، الرئيس التنفيذي، غرفة البحرين لتسوية المنازعات

الجلسات الصباحية (٩:٢٠ صباحاً - ١:٠٠ ظهراً)

(٩:٢٠ صباحاً - ٩:٣٠ صباحاً) ملاحظات إفتاحية حول بيئة الأعمال والاستثمار في منطقة الشرق الأوسط وشمال أفريقيا
ديان باليز غييفيك، محلل نظم، قسم الشرق الأوسط وأفريقيا،
سكرتارية العلاقات العالمية، منظمة التعاون الاقتصادي والتنمية

الجلسة أ (٩:٣٠ صباحاً - ١١:٠٠ صباحاً) حيدة المحكمين واستقلاليتهم، والحاجة إلى تفادي تضارب المصالح في التحكيم التجاري الدولي

مدير الجلسة: صوفيا نابرت، مُحكِّمة، ٣ فيرولام بلدنغز تشامبرز، لندن

المتحدثون: ستيفانو آزالي، الأمين العام لغرفة ميلانو للتحكيم ومدير مركز الترويج للتحكيم والوساطة في منطقة حوض البحر المتوسط (اسبراميد)
توماس كلاي، بروفيسور بكلية القانون، جامعة السوربون (باريس ١) والشريك الإداري
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سيفتح المجال للأسئلة والتعليقات من الحضور بعد انتهاء العروض التعريفية للمتحدثين

استراحة لتناول القهوة (١١:٠٠ صباحاً - ١١:١٥ صباحاً)

الجلسة ب (١١:١٥ صباحاً - ١٢:٤٥ ظهراً) الجوانب العملية في إجراءات التحكيم في قضايا الاستثمار وفي الشفافية

مدير الجلسة: صوفيا نابرت، مُحكِّمة، ٣ فيرولام بلدنغز تشامبرز، لندن

المتحدثون: حسين حائري، شريك، ويدرز وُرد وايد، لندن
مايكل هوانج، رئيس محاكم مركز دبي المالي العالمي
جوديث كنيير، موظف قانوني، الأونسيترال

سيفتح المجال للأسئلة والتعليقات من الحضور بعد انتهاء العروض التعريفية للمتحدثين

(١٢:٤٥ ظهراً - ١:٠٠ ظهراً) الملاحظات الختامية للجلسات الصباحية
نسيب زيادة، الرئيس التنفيذي، غرفة البحرين لتسوية المنازعات، المدير السابق
لمركز دبي للتحكيم التجاري الدولي، نائب الأمين العام السابق (والأمين العام بالوكالة
السابق) للمركز الدولي لتسوية منازعات الاستثمار (إكسيد)

فترة الغداء (١:٠٠ ظهراً - ٢:٠٠ بعد الظهر)
برعاية نصار للمحاماة، القاهرة، مصر



بتنظيم



غرفة البحرين لتسوية المنازعات



المؤتمر الدولي الأورو-متوسطي الرابع للتحكيم الدولي

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