

## BCDR's Week of Training Events 9 to 14 March 2020

I am very pleased to invite you to attend the Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR)'s Week of Training Events from 9 to 14 March 2020.

This week offers attendees a comprehensive foundation in dispute resolution, starting with a mediation training day on 9 March 2020, organized with the Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) of the US Department of Commerce, through a two-day international commercial and investment arbitration seminar with Arnold & Porter on 11 and 12 March, to a high-profile panel discussion on current issues in international commercial law and arbitration at a symposium celebrating the 40th anniversary of the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) also on 12 March.

This week will also mark the inauguration, on 11 March, of BCDR's young initiative, through which BCDR aims to create a dispute resolution learning platform and cooperation hub for young professionals to address the various challenges in this field faced by the legal and business communities across the MENA jurisdictions.

Finally, on 13 and 14 March, BCDR will be co-hosting the 10th Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Middle East Pre-Moot competition. Launched in 2011 with just four teams, the Pre-Moot currently attracts contestants from faculties from Afghanistan, Bahrain, Germany, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates and other countries. 535 students have so far benefited from the support of around 350 mentoring arbitration practitioners, academics, and jurists.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all those who have supported BCDR, who have worked with us and who have generously given their time to contribute in the organization of this eventful week: our loyal staff, our partners, and our many friends and advisers.

Nassib G. Ziadé  
Chief Executive Officer

# BCDR / CLDP Mediation Day

**Date - Time**                    **9 March 2020** – 09:30 to 16:00

**About the Event**            A mediation day organized by BCDR and the Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP) of the US Department of Commerce, tracking the latest developments in mediation, both on the international and regional scenes, and providing a general introduction to mediation, the Singapore Convention on Mediation, and BCDR-AAA's newly issued (2019) Mediation Rules.

**Who Should Attend**            Dispute resolution practitioners, corporate/transactional lawyers, in-house counsel, government lawyers/officials, business representatives, new graduates and students.

**Faculty**                            [Michael Patchett-Joyce](#), Barrister, Ely Place Chambers  
[Adrian Winstanley, OBE](#), independent mediator, arbitrator and ADR consultant, former LCIA Director-General  
[Alya Ladjimi](#), Manager of the ICC International Centre for ADR  
[Ahmed Husain](#), Chief Operating Officer and Acting General Registrar, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA)

**Language**                        English

**Venue**                             BCDR's offices in Manama, located at Suite 301 (3<sup>rd</sup> floor), Park Plaza, Bldg. 247, Road 1704, Diplomatic Area 317, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain

**Registration**                    Free registration – please register [here](#)

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# BCDR / Arnold & Porter International Arbitration Academy in the Middle East

**Dates - Times**            **11 March 2020** – 09:00 to 15:30

**12 March 2020** – 09:00 to 14:15

**About the Event**        The BCDR/Arnold & Porter MENA Arbitration Academy is a two-day training program focusing on international commercial and investment arbitration. The Academy will examine practical issues that commonly arise in the course of commercial and investment arbitrations, from the initial claim and the establishment of the tribunal; through the proceedings and the development of the claim and the defense, to the final award.

**Who Should Attend**        Dispute resolution practitioners, corporate/transactional lawyers, in-house counsel, government lawyers/officials/diplomats, business representatives, officials and executives from State-owned entities, new graduates and students.

**Faculty**                    [Maria Chedid](#), Senior Partner, Arnold & Porter; Adjunct Professor, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution; U.S. Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration, President and Co-Chair of the Board, California International Arbitration Council (CIAC)

[Kabir Duggal](#), Senior Associate, Arnold & Porter; Adjunct Professor, Columbia Law School

**Keynote Speakers**        [Adrian Winstanley, OBE](#), independent mediator, arbitrator and ADR consultant, former LCIA Director-General

[Nassib G. Ziadé](#), Chief Executive Officer, Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA); Former Deputy Secretary-General (and Acting Secretary-General), International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)

## Schedule

### 11 March 2020

**09:00 – 10:00** Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration and the Arbitral Agreement

**10:00 – 10:15** Tea Break

**10:15 – 10:45** Arbitrator Selection and Challenges

**10:45 – 11:30** Arbitral Seat, Applicable Law, and Powers of an Arbitrator in International Commercial Arbitration

**11:30 – 11:45** Tea Break

**11:45 – 12:15** **Keynote Speech: Adrian Winstanley**

**12:15 – 13:30** Lunch

**13:30 - 14:30** International Commercial Arbitration: Process and Proceedings

**14:30 - 14:45** Tea Break

**14:45 – 15:30** Recognition and Enforcement of International Arbitral Awards

### 12 March 2020

**09:00 – 09:30** Introduction to International Investment Arbitration

**09:30 – 09:45** Tea Break

**09:45 – 10:30** Jurisdiction and Provisional Measures

**10:30 – 11:15** Expropriation and Standards of Protection I

**11:15 – 11:30** Tea Break

**11:30 – 12:15** Expropriation and Standards of Protection II

**12:15 – 12:45** Annulment and Enforcement of an Award

**12:45 – 13:00** Tea Break

**13:00 – 13:30** **Keynote Speech: Nassib G. Ziadé**

**13:30 – 14:30** Lunch

## Language

English

**Venue** Royal University for Women, West Riffa, Kingdom of Bahrain

**Registration** Registration fee is 100 USD; registration is free for government representatives and university students – please register [here](#)

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# Launch of BCDR's Young Initiative

- Date - Time**                      **11 March 2020** – 20:00 onwards
- About the Event**                The launch of BCDR's "Young" initiative to provide a formative platform for young professionals to increase awareness of dispute resolution in the MENA region and enable them to work together to address the various challenges faced by the legal and business communities across the many MENA jurisdictions.
- Who Should Attend**            All young professionals engaged or interested in dispute resolution, including young dispute resolution practitioners, lawyers, in-house counsel, government lawyers/officials, business representatives, fresh graduates and students.
- Keynote Speaker**                [Marike Paulsson](#), Senior Advisor, Albright Stonebridge Group
- Language**                          English
- Venue**                                The Sofitel Bahrain Zallaq Thalassa Sea & Spa, located in Zallaq, Manama 555, Bahrain
- Registration**                      Free registration – please register by sending an e-mail to [events@bcdr-aaa.org](mailto:events@bcdr-aaa.org)

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# 2nd Annual Symposium on International Commercial Law and Arbitration: 40 Years of the CISG and Current Issues in International Arbitration

**Date - Time**                      **12 March 2020** – 14:30 to 18:30

**About the Event**                This Symposium is organized by BCDR in collaboration with the College of Law of Royal University for Women (RUW) in Bahrain, the Center for International Legal Education (CILE) at Pittsburgh School of Law, the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and CLDP, and brings together high-profile practitioners and academics to enhance the understanding of the CISG and to engage in a debate on current issues relating to the practice of international commercial law and dispute settlement, both in the region and internationally.

**Who Should Attend**             Dispute resolution practitioners, corporate/transactional lawyers, in-house counsel, government lawyers/officials, business representatives, new graduates and students, especially law students interested in international commercial law and arbitration.

**Featured Speakers**                **Hisham Ababneh**, Petra University  
**Pasquale Borea**, Dean, Royal University for Women College of Law  
**Ronald Brand**, University of Pittsburg, CILE  
**Maria Chedid**, Arnold & Porter  
**Cathy Lynn Danzer**, Danzer Holding AG  
**Stefan Kröll**, Independent arbitrator, Willem C. Vis Moot Director  
**Jan Paulsson**, Three Crowns  
**Hassan Ali Radhi**, Hassan Radhi & Associates  
**Maxi Scherer**, Queen Mary University of London, Wilmer Hale  
**Ingeborg Schwenzler**, Independent counsel & arbitrator  
**David Stewart**, Acting President, Royal University for Women

<b>Schedule</b>	<b>14:30 – 16:10</b> 40 Years of the CISG
	<b>16:10 – 16:30</b> Coffee Break
	<b>16:30 – 18:30</b> Current issues in international commercial arbitration
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Venue</b>	Royal University for Women, West Riffa, Kingdom of Bahrain
<b>Registration</b>	Free registration – please register by sending an e-mail to <a href="mailto:events@bcdr-aaa.org">events@bcdr-aaa.org</a>

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# 10th Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Middle East Pre-Moot Competition

**Date** 13 - 14 March 2020

**About the Event** The Middle East Vis Pre-Moot Competition seeks to bolster the competitiveness of MENA teams in the annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot by providing essential training for the Moots in Vienna (see <https://vismoot.pace.edu/>) and Hong Kong (see <https://www.cisgmoot.org/>). Students are graded on their oral pleading skills by arbitrators renowned in the region and internationally under conditions similar to those of the oral rounds in Vienna and Hong Kong.

**Register as an Arbitrator** We encourage arbitrators, from the legal profession and others, to register to arbitrate the oral rounds of the moot, in support of this most worthwhile training of future dispute resolution practitioners.

**Featured Arbitrators**

- Hisham Ababneh**, Petra University
- Ronald Brand**, University of Pittsburgh, CILE
- Maria Chedid**, Arnold & Porter
- Cathy Danzer**, Danzer Holding AG
- Stefan Kröll**, Independent arbitrator, Willem C. Vis Moot Director
- Michael Patchett-Joyce**, Ely Place Chambers
- Jan Paulsson**, Three Crowns
- Marike Paulsson**, Albright Stonebridge Group
- Hassan Ali Radhi**, Hassan Radhi & Associates
- Maxi Scherer**, Queen Mary University of London, Wilmer Hale
- Ingeborg Schwenzer**, Independent counsel & arbitrator
- Adrian Winstanley**, Independent mediator & arbitrator

**Language** English

**Venue** Royal University for Women, West Riffa, Kingdom of Bahrain

**Registration as an Arbitrator** Free registration – please register [here](#)

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