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08.15 – 09.15 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

09.15 – 09.30 WELCOME AND OPENING ADDRESS

David Herlihy SC, *President of Arbitration Ireland*

09.30 – 10.45 PANEL 1: KEY GLOBAL DEVELOPMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION

MODERATOR:

Paul McGarry SC, *The Bar of Ireland*

SPEAKERS:

Genevieve Poirier, *LALIVE LLP, London*

Lucinda Low, *Low & Kinnear Dispute Resolution, Washington DC*

Larry Shore, *Seladore Legal, London/Milan*

Kathleen Paisley, *International Arbitrator and Mediator, Brussels*

10.45 – 11.15 COFFEE BREAK

11.15 – 12.30 PANEL 2: THE "ACHMEA" OF SPORTS

MODERATOR:

Susan Ahern SC, *The Bar of Ireland*

SPEAKERS:

Philippe Cavalieros, *Simmons & Simmons LLP, Paris*

Benoît Keane, *Keane Legal, Brussels*

Emily Devlin, *FIFA, Switzerland*

Jeffrey Benz, *JAMS, London*

12.30 – 14.30 LUNCH BREAK

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14.30 – 15.30 PANEL 3: JUDICIAL SPOTLIGHT PANEL – REVIEW OF AWARDS FOR CORRUPTION ISSUES FROM A COMPARATIVE FRANCO-BRITISH PERSPECTIVE

MODERATOR:

Chief Justice Mr Justice Donal O'Donnell, *Ireland*

SPEAKERS:

Judge Dominique Hascher, *Former Judge of the Court of Cassation, Independent Arbitrator, Paris*

The Rt Hon. Lady Arden of Heswall DBE

15.30 – 16.45 PANEL 4: NAVIGATING BIAS, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

MODERATOR:

Duncan Matthews KC, *Twenty Essex, London*

SPEAKERS:

Prof. Emilia Onyema FCIArb, *Prof. at SOAS University of London and Independent Arbitrator, London*

Dr Crina Baltag FCIArb, *Associate Professor in International Arbitration at Queen Mary University of London*

Prof. Rachel Cahill O'Callaghan, *Cardiff School of Law and Politics, Wales*

Mamadou Gacko, *DLA Piper, Paris*

16.45 – 17.00 COFFEE BREAK

17.00 – 17.55 PANEL 5: QUICK FIRE ROUND

MODERATOR:

The Hon. Mr Justice David Barniville, *President of the High Court*

SPEAKERS:

Marina Weiss, *Bredin Prat, Paris*

George Burn, *Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP, London*

Matthew P. York, *Veritext, USA*

Matt Fritzsche, *EY, London*

Ronnie Barnes, *Cornerstone Research, London*

Colin Liew, *Providence Law, Singapore*

Shai Wade, *RPC, London*

Nora Fredstie, *DAC Beachcroft, London*

Kate Cervantes-Knox, *Independent Arbitrator, London*

17.55 – 18.00 CLOSE OF CONFERENCE

David Herlihy SC, *President of Arbitration Ireland*

18.30 – Late CONFERENCE DINNER – KING'S INNS, CONSTITUTION HILL, DUBLIN 7

18.30 – 19.15 PRE-DINNER DRINKS RECEPTION
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19.15 – 21.00 CONFERENCE DINNER
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21.00 – 00.30 POST-CONFERENCE DRINKS WITH
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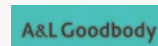
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Dublin International Arbitration Day is Ireland's leading conference on arbitration. This 13th annual conference offers an outstanding line-up of domestic and international arbitration practitioners on topics of relevance and interest.

WELCOME AND OPENING ADDRESS:



DAVID HERLIHY SC

A&O Shearman, Dublin/London

David is a partner in Allen & Overy's International Arbitration Group. He has 20 years' experience in international arbitration, with a focus on international commercial arbitration, investment treaty arbitration and public international law. David is qualified in Ireland, England and Wales, and New York. He has an undefeated track record of success in investor-state arbitration, acting both for investors and for states.

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PANEL 1: KEY GLOBAL DEVELOPMENTS IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION

MODERATOR

PAUL MCGARRY SC

The Bar of Ireland

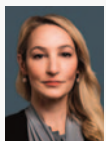
Paul was Chair of The Bar of Ireland from 2016 to 2018. He is currently a member of the Ireland for Law Implementation Group. He was appointed a senior counsel in 2010, and is also a member of the Bar of England and Wales. He practises primarily in public, commercial and European law. Paul is an accredited mediator and international arbitrator



GENEVIEVE POIRIER

Partner, LALIVE LLP, London

Noted practitioner and LALIVE partner, Genevieve is an arbitration and litigation specialist, advising on the resolution of high-value international commercial disputes. She has acted in some of the world's largest and most complex cross-border disputes. Her experience covers a broad range of commercial matters in the telecommunications, energy, insurance, and financial services sectors.



LUCINDA LOW

Low & Kinnear Dispute Resolution, Washington DC

Lucinda is a founding member of Low & Kinnear Dispute Resolution LLC, a boutique firm focused on the provision of independent adjudication and advisory services in transnational matters. Prior to founding LKDR in 2024, she was a partner with Steptoe LLP, where she co-chaired the firm's international arbitration practice group. She is widely recognised for her expertise in international arbitration.



LARRY SHORE

Seladore Legal, London/Milan

Larry is a partner in Seladore Legal (London), resident in Milan. His practice includes counsel work and serving as an arbitrator in international commercial and investment cases. Larry's law degree is



from Emory University, and he earned a PhD in American history from Johns Hopkins University. Larry is both an English solicitor and a US attorney – New York, District of Columbia, and Virginia (inactive). He is co-author of *International Investment Arbitration: Substantive Principles* (OUP, second edition, 2017).

KATHLEEN PAISLEY

International arbitrator and mediator, Brussels

Kathleen is an international arbitrator with more than 30 years' experience in both commercial and investor-state arbitration. Her areas of legal specialisation include international law, intellectual property, data protection, cybersecurity, complex damages, competition/antitrust, and EU law issues related to arbitration.



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PANEL 2: THE "ACHMEA" OF SPORTS

MODERATOR

SUSAN AHERN SC

The Bar of Ireland

Susan is a Senior Counsel, dual-qualified barrister (Ireland and N. Ireland), international arbitrator, Fellow of the CI Arb, Fellow of AMINZ, and CEDR-accredited mediator. Her practice is in regulation, ADR and across the financial services, media, entertainment and sports law spectrum. She is a member of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators, an arbitrator member of the European Commission Disputes Settlement Pool, and Vice President of Arbitration Ireland.



PHILIPPE CAVALIEROS

Simmons & Simmons LLP, Paris

Philippe is the Global Head of Simmons & Simmons LLP's international arbitration practice and Vice-Chair of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR. He offers his clients a 360° perspective on international arbitration: he has acted as an arbitrator in more than 40 cases, worked at the Secretariat of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, and served as General Counsel in a multinational company.



BENOÎT KEANE

Solicitor Advocate and Avocat, Brussels

Benoît is a leading EU sports advocate. He works with law firms across Europe to provide strategic legal representation to sports organisations. He acts before European and national courts, notably representing UEFA in the Super League case. He has vast experience on the interface between EU law and sports arbitration. He regularly appears as counsel before the Court of Arbitration for Sport.



EMILY DEVLIN

FIFA Deputy Chief Legal & Compliance Officer, Director of Operational Legal, Switzerland

Emily qualified as a solicitor in 2003 and had 14 years working in private practice. In 2019, she joined FIFA with the remit to



manage all of its (non-CAS) disputes and investigations. She is now the Deputy Chief Legal Officer, and as well as taking responsibility for FIFA's litigation portfolio, she also manages the Operational Legal sub-division.



JEFFREY BENZ

JAMS, London

Jeff is a dual-qualified US lawyer and English barrister who sits as arbitrator and mediator with JAMS and 4 New Square in London. A former elite athlete, and former general counsel of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee, he has been a Court of Arbitration for Sport arbitrator and mediator for over 25 years. According to *Who's Who Legal 2018-25 UK Bar*, he is "widely recognised for his first-rate arbitration practice".

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PANEL 3: JUDICIAL SPOTLIGHT PANEL – REVIEW OF AWARDS FOR CORRUPTION ISSUES FROM A COMPARATIVE FRANCO-BRITISH PERSPECTIVE

MODERATOR

CHIEF JUSTICE MR JUSTICE DONAL O'DONNELL

Ireland

Mr Justice O'Donnell was appointed Chief Justice of Ireland in 2021. He was called to The Bar of Ireland in 1982, to the Bar of Northern Ireland in 1989, and became a senior counsel in 1995. He was appointed to the Supreme Court of Ireland in 2010.



JUDGE DOMINIQUE HASCHER

Former Judge of the Court of Cassation, Independent Arbitrator

Dominique is an independent arbitrator, having sat on the Bench of the Supreme Judicial Court of France 13 years. He is also a non-resident judge of the Supreme Court of Singapore (Singapore International Commercial Court). He is a graduate of the Universities of Paris II and Harvard (Fulbright Scholar).



THE RT HON. LADY ARDEN OF HESWALL DBE

Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration

Mary Arden studied at Girton College, Cambridge, of which she is an Honorary Fellow, then at the Harvard Law School.

Called to the Bar in 1971 and becoming a Queen's Counsel in 1986, she was appointed to the High Court Bench and made a DBE in 1993, being the first woman assigned to the Chancery Division. Subsequently promoted to the Court of Appeal and made a Privy Counsellor, she joined the Supreme Court from 2018 to 2022.



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PANEL 4: NAVIGATING BIAS, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

MODERATOR

DUNCAN MATTHEWS KC

Twenty Essex, London

Duncan was co-Head of Chambers at Twenty Essex for eight years. He is a lead trial advocate with a broad practice in international and domestic commercial dispute resolution. He advises and acts in English court proceedings at all higher court levels, and overseas.



PROF. EMILIA ONYEMA

Independent arbitrator, London

Emilia is an independent arbitrator with experience as presiding, co and sole arbitrator, and acts as legal expert witness in international arbitration. She is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration



and the DIAC Court, among others. She is a Professor of International Commercial Law at SOAS University of London.



DR CRINA BALTAG

Queen Mary University of London, School of International Arbitration

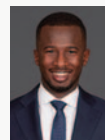
Crina is Associate Professor in International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution at Queen Mary University of London, School of International Arbitration, and a qualified attorney-at-law, with over 20 years of extensive practice in international dispute resolution. She has been appointed as arbitrator in numerous commercial arbitrations.



PROF. RACHEL CAHILL-O'CALLAGHAN

Cardiff School of Law and Politics, Wales

Rachel is a Professor at Cardiff University. She holds a PhD in Law and a PhD in Science. Her research examines decision-making in a variety of legal contexts, with a focus on structural change to improve decision-making quality. Her work has won several prizes and her current research looks at understanding how structural change can limit cognitive bias.



MAMADOU GACKO

DLA Piper, Paris

Mamadou is a French Senegalese attorney based in Paris and a senior associate at DLA Piper. He has over ten years of experience practising international arbitration. He serves as both an arbitrator and counsel in arbitral proceedings. His practice has a strong focus on Francophone Africa and regularly involves African clients.

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PANEL 5: QUICK FIRE ROUND

MODERATOR

THE HON. MR JUSTICE DAVID BARNIVILLE

President of the High Court

Mr Justice Barniville is the President of the High Court of Ireland. He was appointed a judge of the High Court in December 2017 after almost 27 years in practice as a barrister. He was the judge in charge of the Commercial Division of the High Court from 2019-2021. He was, and is again, also designated as the Arbitration Judge to hear all arbitration-related matters in the High Court.



MARINA WEISS

Bredin Prat, Paris

Marina is a partner with Paris-based Bredin Prat. Her practice focuses on counsel work in international commercial arbitration and ISDS as well as arbitration-related litigation. She also advises on investment (re)structuring and issues of public international law. In addition, she acts as arbitrator. She has developed particular expertise in disputes relating to the Caucasus region and former USSR states.



GEORGE BURN

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George is the Co-leader of International Arbitration at global law firm BCLP and a leading specialist in both investor-state and international commercial arbitration. With over 25 years' experience of acting as arbitrator and counsel in complex high-stakes disputes, he has been involved in cases that break new ground on important jurisdictional issues, on questions of public and private international law.



MATTHEW P. YORK

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Matthew is a Senior Vice-President at Veritext, LLC. He is the executive in charge of all alternative dispute resolution (ADR)

services. He currently serves as a Board Member of the International Mediation Institute and as an Advisory Board Member of the Boston International Arbitration Council. He is a member of Arbitration Ireland, the American Bar Association, and the New York Intellectual Property Law Association.



MATT FRITZSCHE

EY, London

Matt is a Partner at EY and leads Claims and Disputes for EY in the UK. He specialises in the provision of written and oral testimony in litigation, commercial arbitration and investment treaty arbitration, providing expert opinion on the quantification of damages and other financial matters. He is recommended as a leading global expert witness for litigation and arbitration by *Lexology Index*.



RONNIE BARNES

Cornerstone Research, London

Ronnie co-heads Cornerstone Research's international arbitration and litigation practice. He is an expert in accounting, damages, and valuation. He specialises in cases that raise complex valuation issues. *Who's Who Legal* has recognised him as a leading expert witness in legal arbitration, and a global leader in assessing the quantum of damages in the financial advisory and valuation field.



COLIN LIEW

Providence Law, Singapore

Colin is a Director and Head of International Litigation at Providence Law Asia LLC, a specialist disputes firm in Singapore. With over 10 years' experience in complex disputes, he focuses on cross-border

commercial litigation and arbitration, with a broad practice area spanning commodities, post-M&A and fraud-related mandates.



SHAI WADE

Head of the International Arbitration Group RPC, London

Shai is the Head of the International Arbitration Group of London City law firm RPC. He serves as counsel and arbitrator in complex international arbitration disputes in key industries such as oil and gas, energy, natural resources, international trade, infra, and others, and co-author's the principal textbook on LCIA arbitration.



NORA FREDSTIE

DAC Beachcroft, London

Nora is a Partner at DAC Beachcroft. Dual-qualified in England and Wales and New York, she has wide-ranging experience as counsel and arbitrator in investment and commercial arbitrations across many sectors. She is a Global Elite Thought Leader in Arbitration (*Lexology*, 2025), a member of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators, Norwegian delegate to the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR, and an adjunct professor at Université Paris Nanterre.



KATE CERVANTES-KNOX

Independent arbitrator, London

Prior to establishing her own practice in 2023, Kate spent over 20 years practising international arbitration (commercial and investor-state). She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales. She sits on the Board of Directors of the LCIA and is President of the LCIA European Users' Council.

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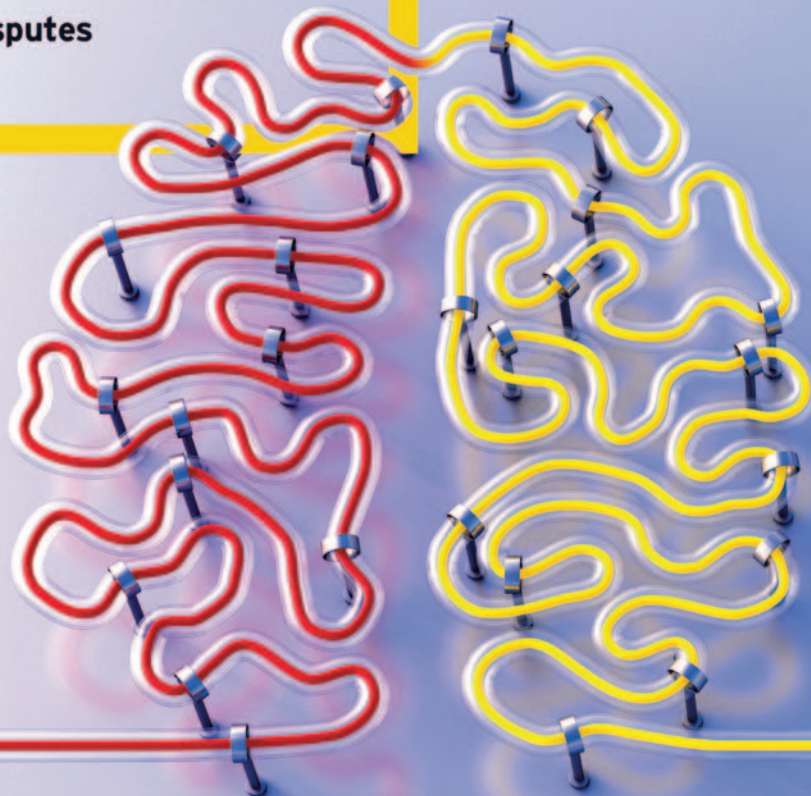


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