

# GIAC ARBITRATION DAYS IN TBILISI 2016

Efficiency in International Dispute Resolution

1 - 3 December 2016, Venue: Holiday Inn Tbilisi; Tbilisi, Georgia.



## DAY 1 | 01.12.2016 | 16:00 – 21:00

16:00 - 16:30

### Registration/Welcome Coffee

16:30 - 18:30

IGDR Young & International Event: Enforcement of Arbitration Agreement and Award under New York Convention

Speakers: *Eliane Fischer* - Principal Associate, *Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP*, Vienna;  
*David Khachvani* - Associate, *Levy Kaufman-Kohler*, Geneva;  
*Benjamin Siino* - Associate, *Shearman & Sterling LLP*, Paris  
*Volodymyr Yaremko* - Head of Arbitration and Cross-Border Litigation, *Spenser&Kaufmann*, Kiev

19:00 - 21:00

### Arbitration Glossary Launch & Welcome Reception and Addresses

22:00

After-Party: 360 Terrace Sponsored by Nodia Urumashvili & Partners



## DAY 2 | 02.12.2016 | 09:30 – 17:40

09:30 - 10:00

### Registration / Welcome Coffee

10:00 - 10:30

### Opening Remarks

*Nino Chikovani* - President, *Georgian Chamber of Commerce and Industry*  
*Dimitri Kumsishvili* - Minister, *Ministry of Finance of Georgia*; Deputy Prime Minister  
*Gocha Lortkipanidze* - Deputy Minister, *Ministry of Justice of Georgia*  
*Kaido Sirel* - Head of Sector, *Delegation of European Union to Georgia*  
*Shombi Sharp* - UNDP Deputy Resident Representative in Georgia

10:30 - 11:10

### Key Note Speech: Patricia Shaughnessy

11:10 - 12:50

### Panel I – Institutional Panel: Powers, Limits and Considerations

Role of institutions in shaping international arbitration practice - *Jose Ricardo Feris* – Deputy Secretary General ICC Court;  
 Ex officio powers and limits of the arbitral institution's discretion - *Annette Magnusson* – Secretary General SCC Court;  
 Cooperation between arbitral institutions - is there any room for it? - *Levent Sabanogullari* – Counsel PCA;  
 Recurring concerns regarding institutional arbitration - *Vladimir Khvalei* – Chairman of RAA Board;

Moderator: *Beka Injia*

### DISCUSSION

12:50 - 14:00

### Lunch

14:00 - 15:40

### Panel II – Time & Costs in Arbitration

### Increasing Efficiency of Arbitration

Fast-Track Arbitration [Expedited] – means to save time and money? - *Melanie Van Leeuwen* - Partner, *Derains&Gharavi International*  
 Procedural Tools for avoiding/excluding frivolous claim - *Johannes Koepp* - Partner, *Baker Botts LLP*, London;  
 Avoiding Delays: dilatory tactics; procedural shortcoming - *Charles Nairac* - Partner, *White & Case*, Paris;  
 Reducing costs in Arbitration – is it realistic? - *Ioannis Alexopoulos* - Partner, *Signature Litigation LLP*, London

Moderator: *Nicola Mariani*

### DISCUSSION

15:40 - 16:00

### COFFEE BREAK

16:00 - 17:40

### Panel III – Amicable Dispute Settlement

Use of Mediation in Investment Disputes - *Sophie Tkemaladze* - Member of *GIAC Arbitration Council*;  
 Settlement Agreements in international arbitration - *Mariia Puchyna* - *Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP*;  
 Other means of Amicable dispute settlement - *Taner Dedezade* - *Corbett & Co International Construction Lawyers Ltd*

Moderator: *Liana Kartsivadze*

### DISCUSSION

### SUMMARY REMARKS

20:30

### Gala Dinner: Karvasia (Tbilisi History Museum)

# AGENDA



DAY 3 | 03.12.2016 | 09:30 – 17:00

09:30 – 10:00

Registration / Welcome Coffee

10:00 – 11:40

Panel IV – Procedure Gone Wrong: Destruction of the Integrity of the system

Challenges of Arbitrators – Far Fetched or Reasonable - *Helene Gogadze - Fried Frank Harris Shriver & Jacobson LLP, Washington DC - Senior Attorney;*

Challenges of Counsels – New Dimension of Conflicts check - *Bajju Vasani - Partner, Jones Day, London;*

Fourth Arbitrator - Myth or Reality - *Mariam Gortsiridze – Ministry of Justice of Georgia*

Moderator: *Yas Banifatemi*

DISCUSSION

11:40 – 12:00

COFFEE BREAK

12:00 – 13:40

Panel V: Third Party Funding – Efficiency or Uncertainty

Third-party funding – Party's perspective - *Panagiotis Krystallis - KLC Law Firm;*

Third-party funding – Arbitrator's perspective - *Utku Coşar - Counsel, Coşar Avukatlık Bürosu, Istanbul;*

Third-party funding – Funder's perspective - *Duncan Speller - Partner, Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr LLP, London Office*

Moderator: *Ketevan Betaneli*

DISCUSSION

Closing remarks

13:40 – 15:00

LUNCH

15:00 – 17:00

ICG YAF Event: Efficiency in International Arbitration

15:00 – 15:15

Opening Remarks

15:15 – 15:35

Key-Note Speech: *Jose Ricardo Ferris*

15:35 – 15:50

Q&A Session “Efficiency in International Arbitration”

15:50 – 16:50

Panel Discussion on the Proposition “There Shall be a Preclusive Deadline Set for Rendering an Award by the Arbitral Tribunal”

Speakers: *Kateryna Bondar - Consultant Counsel, Gentium Law Group Sàrl, Geneva*

*Nata Ghibradze - Foreign Associate, Hogan Lovells International LLP, Munich*

*Stepan Guzey - Partner, Lidings, Moscow*

*Rusudan Tchkuaseli - Senior Associate, BLC Law Office, Tbilisi*

16:50 – 17:00

Closing Remarks

20:00

After-party at Rooms hotel tbilisi sponsored by BLC law office