

6TH SPLS/QMUL JOINT ANNUAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE

12 April 2018, from 14.45 to 17.00

Location : QMUL, 9-11 rue Constantine, 75007 Paris

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15.00 PANEL 1: INVESTOR-STATE DISPUTE SETTLEMENT (ISDS)

Some voices in the international arbitration community are predicting a gloomy future for investor-State arbitration. Among other things, the European Commission has been working on establishing a Multilateral Investment Court to replace arbitration as a means to resolve investor-State disputes. UNCITRAL set up a Working Group aiming to explore the feasibility of different avenues to overcome the criticism against the current state of ISDS. The CJEU's recent Achmea decision addresses the incompatibility of arbitration with EU law under intra-European BITs and raises questions well beyond. What is the state of play: Is arbitration still an option for ISDS or should it be replaced by other mechanism(s)?

Moderator: Diego P. Fernández Arroyo (Sciences Po, Paris)

Panellists: George Bermann (Columbia University, New York)

Catherine Kessedjian (Université Paris 2)

Joongi Kim (Yonsei University, Seoul)

Catharine Titi (Université de Bourgogne, Dijon)

16.10 PANEL 2: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

The so-called public backlash against investor-State arbitration has led some practitioners to be worried that international commercial arbitration might also be affected.

Is this an exaggerated worry or are there signs of collateral damages for international commercial arbitration?

Moderator: Maxi Scherer (Queen Mary, London)

Panellists: Stefano Azzali (Milan Chamber of Arbitration)

Andrea Carlevaris (Bonelli Erede Pappalardo, Milan)

James Castello (King & Spalding, Paris)

Philippe Pinsolle (Quinn Emanuel, Paris)