

9th Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference – Invitation

Location: Lichtenstein Palace – U Sovových mlýnů 506/4, Prague, Czech Republic

The Minister of Finance of the Czech Republic cordially invites you to the 9th Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference aimed at sharing experience with treaty arbitration between senior government officials and top legal practitioners in the field. The event is organised under the auspices of the Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic and hosted by the advisory firm KPMG Czech Republic.

Main conference programme, **10 October 2019**

	Chair	Panelists
9:00 am to 9:30 am	Morning coffee	
9:30 am to 9:45 am	Introduction	Ondřej Landa (Deputy Minister of Finance, Ministry of Finance, Czech Republic) Jiří Urban (CEE Dispute Advisory Services Leader, KPMG Czech Republic)
9:45 am to 11:00 am	New techniques in investment treaty drafting: their use by states and application by Tribunals	Jeremy Sharpe (Partner, Shearman & Sterling) Kate Brown de Vejar (Partner, DLA Piper) James Castello (Partner, King & Spalding) Ndanga Kamau (Vice President of ICC International Court of Arbitration) Eduardo Silva Romero (Partner, Dechert)
11:00 am to 11:30 am	Keynote address	Zachary Douglas QC (Arbitrator Matrix Chambers)
11:30 am to 12:00 pm	Coffee break	
12:00 pm to 1:15 pm	The perennial problem of legitimate expectations	Zachary Douglas QC (Arbitrator, Matrix Chambers) Charles Claypoole (Partner, Latham & Watkins) Miriam K. Harwood (Partner, Squire Patton Boggs) Petr Poláček (Partner, White & Case) Tom Sikora (Senior Counsel, Exxon Mobil Corporation)
1:15 pm to 2:15 pm	Lunch break	
2:15 pm to 2:30 pm	Luncheon address: ISDS Reform	Anna Joubin-Bret (Secretary of UNCITRAL and Director ITLD/OLA)
2:30 pm to 3:45 pm	Non-traditional issues in investor-state arbitration	Suzanne Spears (Partner, Allen & Overy) Fernando Cuñado (Global Dispute Advisory Services Leader, KPMG Spain) David Hesse (Partner, Clyde & Co) Ben Juratowitch QC (Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer) Yasmine Lahlou (Partner, Chaffetz Lindsey)
3:45 pm to 4:15 pm	Coffee break	
4:15 pm to 5:30 pm	Achmea v. Slovakia – The end of an era or simply a bump in the road?	Stephen P. Anway (Partner, Squire Patton Boggs) Dmitri Evseev (Partner, Arnold & Porter) Patricia Nacimiento (Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills) Franz T. Schwarz (Partner, WilmerHale) Markus Burgstaller (Partner, Hogan Lovells)
6:00 pm	Cocktail party sponsored by Squire Patton Boggs	

The conference and related events are free of charge and invitation-only.

For registration, please click [here](#). For more information about the conference, please see the [conference website](#).

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For the related workshops, please refer to the next page.

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Related workshops – Wednesday

Practical session for respondent states

Wednesday 9 October 2019 (1:30 pm – 2:30 pm)

The panel will be moderated by **Erica Stein** (Partner, Dechert) bringing in the perspectives of **Kabir Duggal** (Senior Associate, Arnold & Porter), **Laura Halonen** (Independent Counsel) and **Rostislav Pekař** (Partner, Squire Patton Boggs).

KPMG Session on Quantum

Wednesday 9 October 2019 (3:00 pm – 4:00 pm)

The panel on Quantum will be chaired by **Jiří Urban** (CEE Dispute Advisory Services Leader, KPMG Czech), who will discuss some controversies surrounding the application of size premium. The session will also include contributions on other Quantum-related topics by **Vladimír Prchlík** (Associate Manager, KPMG Czech), **Arne Fuchs** (Partner, McDermott Will & Emery), and **Jaroslav Kudrna** (Legal Advisor, Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic).

Young practitioners session

Wednesday 9 October 2019 (4:30 pm – 7:00 pm)

A session intended not only for young practitioners under the age of 40, focused on **exchange of young practitioners' ideas** and their views on **current topics in international arbitration**.

Related workshop – Friday

Workshop for Government Officials Only

Friday 11 October 2019 (10:00 am – 3:00 pm)

Closed discussions among government officials only, focused on sharing experience and best practices in the area of BITs negotiations and investment treaty arbitrations. Guest speakers **Martina Polasek** (Deputy Secretary-General, ICSID) will bring her perspective on ICSID reform and **Anna Joubin-Bret** (Secretary of UNCITRAL and Director ITLD/OLA) will introduce UNCITRAL reform.

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