



Ministry of Finance
of the Czech Republic

11th Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference

The Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic cordially invites you to the 11th Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference aimed at sharing experience between senior government officials, top legal practitioners and academics in the field. Due to the continuing concerns about the COVID-19 pandemic, the conference will be held fully online and open to public.

Conference program, **2 December 2021** (4:00pm-7:00pm CET)

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| Welcome Address | 4:00pm to 4:10pm |
| Ondřej Landa (Deputy Minister, Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic) | |
| Lecture: The Investment's Unity | 4:10pm to 4:40pm |
| Christoph Schreuer (Of Counsel, Zeiler Floyd Zadkovich, Vienna) | |
| Coffee Break | 4:40pm to 4:50pm |
| The Uncertain Future of the Intra-EU Investment Protection | 4:50pm to 5:50pm |
| Chair: Crina Baltag (Associate Professor, Stockholm University) | |
| Panelists: Veronika Korom (Partner, Queritius, Paris), Simon Batifort (Partner, Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle, Brussels/New York), Kabir Duggal (Senior Advisor, Arnold & Porter, New York), Tom Sikora (Chair, Institute for Transnational Arbitration & Senior Counsel, International Disputes at ExxonMobil, Houston) | |
| Coffee Break | 5:50pm to 6:00pm |
| ISDS and the Environment | 6:00pm to 7:00pm |
| Chair: Mallory Silberman (Partner, Arnold & Porter, Washington, D.C.) | |
| Panelists: Sabine Konrad (Partner, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, Frankfurt am Main), Annette Magnusson (Co-Founder, Climate Change Counsel, Stockholm), Erica Stein (Partner, Dechert, Brussels/Paris), Patrick W. Pearsall (Partner, Allen & Overy, Washington, D.C.) | |

Steering Committee: Martina Matejová, Jaroslav Kudrna and Martin Nováček.

The conference is free of charge and open to public. For registration, please contact us at conference@mfcz.cz. View our [Privacy Policy](#). Registration is open until 1 December 2021.





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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Crina
Baltag



Crina Baltag

Associate Professor, Stockholm University

Crina is Associate Professor (Docent) in International Arbitration at Stockholm University and qualified attorney-at-law since 2004, with extensive practice in international commercial and investment arbitration, international dispute resolution, private and public international law. Crina has been appointed in numerous arbitrations, as sole arbitrator and co-arbitrator under the rules of the ICC, LCIA, SIAC, FAI and CCIR-Romania. Crina is co-director of the International Commercial Arbitration Law (ICAL) LL.M. She teaches in the ICAL LL.M., as well as on other courses at Stockholm University.

Simon
Batifort



Simon Batifort

Partner, Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle, Brussels/New York

Simon has extensive experience representing sovereign states, state-owned entities and private companies in arbitrations conducted under various rules, including those of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), and the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). His cases have involved a wide range of sectors, including natural resources, telecommunications, construction, joint ventures, real estate and taxation. He has also served as an arbitrator.

Kabir
Duggal



Kabir Duggal

Senior Advisor, Arnold & Porter, New York

Kabir focuses his practice on international investment arbitration, international commercial arbitration and public international law matters, serving both as counsel and arbitrator. Kabir's experience includes complex disputes under numerous bilateral/multilateral investment treaties and contracts in South Asia, Latin America, Central Asia, Middle East, Europe, and Africa. He has served as an arbitrator in over 40 disputes involving parties from all over the world and across several different industries.





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Sabine
Konrad



Sabine Konrad

Partner, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, Frankfurt am Main

Sabine is a partner at the Frankfurt office of Morgan Lewis and focuses on international arbitration and international law disputes. Sabine represents investors and governments in high-stakes investment arbitrations around the globe and advises investors in matters of investment protection. She also represents clients in commercial arbitrations worldwide. In investment treaty arbitrations, she has acted as arbitrator in cases under the UNCITRAL, ICSID, and SCC rules. Sabine has been a member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators since 2007.

Veronika
Korom



Veronika Korom

Partner, Queritius, Paris

Veronika is Assistant Professor at ESSEC Business School in Paris and a founding Partner at Queritius. She has extensive experience acting as counsel in large-scale and complex investment and commercial arbitration proceedings under the main arbitration rules (ICSID, UNCITRAL, ICC, LCIA, and SCC) and involving a variety of sectors. She also represents clients in various types of annulment and setting-aside proceedings, as well as in domestic enforcement proceedings and proceedings before the courts of the European Union. Veronika also serves as arbitrator in commercial matters.

Annette
Magnusson



Annette Magnusson

Co-Founder, Climate Change Counsel, Stockholm

Annette Magnusson is Co-Founder of Climate Change Counsel, a legal consultancy with a focus to accelerate solutions to climate change. She is the immediate past Secretary General of the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (2010-2021) with more than 20 years' experience of international law, including from global law firms. Ms Magnusson also founded the crowdsourcing initiative Stockholm Treaty Lab, which seeks to use international law to promote green investments. She is a frequent speaker and writer on arbitration and climate change, and the author or editor of several publications on international arbitration, most recently International Arbitration in Sweden – A Practitioner's Guide (co-edit 2 ed. 2021).





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Patrick W.
Pearsall



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Partner, Allen & Overy, Washington, D.C.

Patrick is the former Chief of Investment Arbitration for the United States and has extensive experience representing state parties in international disputes. He is regularly called upon by governments to provide strategic advice on defense and dispute avoidance. Patrick has successfully defended states in claims worth billions of dollars and has an undefeated record as counsel. He has experience with nearly all of the major international commercial arbitration rules, helped draft the 2012 ICC rule revisions for State and State Owned Entities and sits as a member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators.

Christoph
Schreuer



Christoph Schreuer

Of Counsel, Zeiler Floyd Zadkovich, Vienna

Christoph is a former professor of law at Johns Hopkins University and at the Universities of Salzburg and Vienna. He has published widely in the field of international investment law. His main work is Schreuer's Commentary on the ICSID Convention (3rd ed 2022). He has acted as arbitrator and as expert in numerous investment cases. He is a member of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators and Arbitrators.

Tom
Sikora



Tom Sikora

Chair, Institute for Transnational Arbitration & Senior Counsel, International Disputes at ExxonMobil, Houston

Tom manages international commercial and investment arbitration for Exxon Mobil Corporation. Prior to joining ExxonMobil, he spent ten years at El Paso Corporation managing the company's international arbitration and complex litigation. Tom initially practiced international arbitration of energy, construction and insurance disputes at Vinson & Elkins LLP in Houston, Texas. Tom is a member of the Council (formerly Board of Directors) of the American Arbitration Association.





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Mallory
Silberman



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Partner, Arnold & Porter, Washington, D.C.

Mallory is an internationally recognized advocate with more than a decade of experience litigating high-profile international arbitrations. To date, Mallory has been counsel in 40 investment treaty cases, including more than 25 at ICSID. Across these cases, she has represented not only prominent international corporations, but also approximately 8% of the world's countries—including Chile, Costa Rica, the Czech Republic, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Hungary, the Kyrgyz Republic, Panama, Peru, the Philippines, the Slovak Republic, South Korea, and Turkey.

Erica
Stein



Erica Stein

Partner, Dechert, Brussels/Paris

Erica focuses her practice on international arbitration, including both commercial and investment arbitration matters. Her work focuses on disputes in the life sciences space, as well as disputes involving the interplay between arbitration and EU law, particularly in the investment treaty context. Erica also has particular expertise in issues relating to the enforcement of arbitral awards and agreements under the New York Convention, on which she has taught classes at both the MIDS (Geneva LL.M. in International Dispute Settlement) and National University of Singapore. Erica has also sat as arbitrator in numerous proceedings.

