

1ST BIENNIAL FRANCE-UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE

Tuesday, 28 March 2017

Université Paris-Dauphine, Raymond Aron Conference Room

Time	Sessions	Speakers
08.30 - 09.00	Registration - Breakfast and networking	
09.00 - 09.30	Welcome Address Keynote Speech from Conference Chair	Nadia Molinier , President, ETHINK FINANCE ELITE Alexis Mourre , President, ICC International Court of Arbitration
09.30 - 11.00	Panel discussion 1: The latest developments and trends in the arbitration industry: France-UAE perspective From a UAE perspective, the panel will explore the following points: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A focus on recent and anticipated pieces of legislation: the much-awaited new UAE Federal Arbitration Law - towards a modern and relevant legal framework and the amendment to the UAE Penal Code. 2. An overview of recent developments in arbitral institutions in the UAE (e.g., Emirates Maritime Arbitration Centre was established by decree in 2016 and launched in September 2016. The revised rules of the DIFC-LCIA which came into effect on October 1, 2016). 3. What does Dubai need to become a world-class arbitration hub? What is required to reach its entire potential in the region? What are the current handicaps and how can they be addressed? From a French perspective, the panel will explore the following points: The spirit of the latest legal reform, which is faithful to the French principle of <i>favour arbitrandum</i> , demonstrates France's determination to enhance its position as a leading choice of arbitral seat and reflects its intention to maintain its role at the forefront of international arbitration. Followed by Q&A	Moderator: Sara Koleilat- Aranja , Senior Associate, Al Tamimi & Company - Dubai Panellists: Karim Nassif , Partner, LPA-CGR - Dubai Mohamed Shelbaya , Partner, Sherman & Sterling LLP - Paris Renaud Sorieul , Director, The International Trade Division of the UN Office of Legal Affairs, & Secretary of UNCITRAL - Vienna Mercedes Torres Lagarde , Case Manger, Dubai International Arbitration Centre - Dubai
11.00 - 11.15	Coffee Break	

11.15 - 12.45	<p>Panel discussion 2: Issues arising upon the recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitration awards in France and the UAE</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General recognition and enforcement of arbitration awards practices - France vs.UAE. 2. Case study: Recognition and Enforcement under the New York Convention - France vs. UAE. 3. A brief overview of recent rulings by the Dubai Court of Cassation on the recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards. 4. Overview of the latest judicial trends in France. 5. The approach to the definition of public policy - France vs. UAE. <p>Followed by Q&A</p>	<p>Moderator: Arnaud Raynouard, Professor of Law - Université Paris-Dauphine</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <p>Hassan Arab, Co-Head of Litigation and Deputy Managing Partner, Al Tamimi & Co - Dubai</p> <p>Jacob Grierson, Partner, McDermott Will & Emery - Paris</p> <p>Nicolas Castell, French Department of Justice</p> <p>Jalal Al-Ahdab, Partner, Ginestié Magellan Paley- Vincent - Paris</p>
12.45 - 13.00	Closing remarks by the Chair	Alexis Mourre , President, ICC International Court of Arbitration
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch and networking	

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