

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION ACADEMY AND COMPETITION

GUEST LECTURES:

Introduction to Arbitration by Ms Kirtan Prasad: 26.02.18 (OLD.4.10)



Kirtan Prasad is a Singapore and New York dual-qualified associate at Allen & Overy's international arbitration practice. She worked in Singapore for a number of years before moving to London on long-term secondment. Kirtan has worked on commercial and investor-State matters across industry sectors, including finance, automobile manufacturing, hotel management and shipping. Her work has spanned both civil and common law jurisdictions, such as Japan, India, England, Indonesia, the UAE and the Netherlands, and under a range of arbitral rules, including the ICC, SIAC, SCMA, DIAC and ICSID Rules. She has also assisted as tribunal secretary.

Kirtan is listed in Who's Who Legal: Arbitration - Future Leaders 2018 which says "[s]he is one of the most intelligent young lawyers that I have worked with. Her drafting of case and witness statements in big-ticket arbitrations with utmost efficiency is a marvel to watch."

Arbitral Tribunals (Constitution, Powers, Challenges) by Ms Katherine Jonckheere: 27.02.18 (CLM.7.02)

Katherine is an associate at Three Crowns, specializing in international commercial and investment arbitration. She has represented clients in high-value and complex international arbitrations governed by a variety of institutional rules (ICC, SCC, LCIA, SIAC, WIPO and UNCITRAL) and across several industries, with a focus on oil and gas. Prior to joining Three Crowns, Katherine was a legal counsel at the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC) where she handled the administration of over 100 international commercial arbitrations, including emergency arbitrations.

Katherine received her legal education at Stanford University (LLM), Ghent University (Law Degree) and American University, Washington College of Law (International Legal Studies Certificate), and further holds a Masters degree from the University of Brussels' Institute for European Studies. She is dually qualified in New York and Brussels.



Jurisdictional Challenges and Arbitral Procedure by Ms Dharshini Prasad 28.02.18 (32L.LG.18)



Dharshini Prasad is a Senior Associate in the International Arbitration Group of WilmerHale. She has advised States, State entities and multi-national companies on commercial, investment and international law issues. She has also represented clients in arbitrations under the ICC, SIAC, LCIA and UNCITRAL rules seated in both civil and common law jurisdictions. Her practice spans various industries, including oil and gas, manufacturing, private equity and mining. Dharshini has worked with the SIAC Rules Revision Committee on drafting the 2016 SIAC Arbitration Rules and the 2017 SIAC Investment Arbitration Rules. She has also lectured at the Austrian and SIAC Arbitration Academies and coaches the Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot team at the London School of Economics. Prior to joining WilmerHale, Dharshini worked at a leading law firm in Singapore where her practice focused on international arbitration and litigation. She also worked at the UN International Law Commission in Geneva on international law issues, including the immunity of State officials and most-favoured nation clauses.

Dharshini is dual-qualified in New York and Singapore. She has an LL.M. in International Legal Studies from New York University and an LL.B. (Hons) from the National University of Singapore.

Arbitral Awards by Mr John McMillan: 01.03.18 (CLM.3.04)

John McMillan is a Senior Associate in the International Arbitration Group of WilmerHale. He is an English barrister, and focuses on international arbitration and English High Court litigation. John has experience of arbitrations under a wide variety of institutional rules (including the ICC, LCIA, SIAC, SCC, and UNCITRAL rules) involving both common law and civil law disputes. He has particular experience in construction, engineering, energy, M&A, and joint venture disputes, as well as regularly advising government and private sector clients on international law issues.

John is Assistant Editor of the Journal of International Arbitration and author of the England and Wales chapter of the International Comparative Legal Guide to International Arbitration. He graduated from Wadham College, Oxford, with a BA in Chinese, before obtaining the GDL and BPTC from City University, London.



Investor-State and State-State Arbitration by Mr Govert Coppens: 02.03.18 (TW2.2.04)



Govert Coppens advises and represents sovereign States, international organisations and corporate clients on a wide range of contentious and non-contentious public international law and international dispute resolution issues, the protection of foreign investments under international investment agreements. He represents both claimants and respondents in investment treaty arbitrations. His experience further includes advising States, corporations and an international organisation on matters of public international law, such as treaty drafting and State and diplomatic immunities.

Prior to joining Volterra Fietta, Govert worked at the international disputes department of a global law firm and was an independent legal consultant with two Asian law firms. In these roles, he has worked on arbitrations under ICSID, UNCITRAL and ICC Rules, WTO dispute settlement proceedings and a variety of commercial, administrative and criminal matters in domestic court litigation. He has also acted as an arbitrator in commercial disputes under the Rules of CEPANI, the Belgian Centre for Arbitration and Mediation.