



# Panel Series

## UNCITRAL Texts and COVID-19 Response and Recovery

### Day 5: COVID-19 Impact on International Dispute Resolution

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7-9 a.m. EDT / 1-3 p.m. CEST / 8-10 p.m. KST

VIRTUAL MEETING

## PROGRAMME

In a joint statement issued by arbitral institutions in May 2020, parties and arbitrators were encouraged to mitigate the effects of any impediments caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, while ensuring the fairness and efficiency of arbitral proceedings. It also called for collaboration among institutions in making use of digital technology in resolving disputes remotely. Several arbitral institutions have adopted responsive measures and have issued guidelines to assist parties and arbitral tribunals. This session will address the impact that COVID-19 measures have had on international dispute resolution. The first panel will address its short-term consequences and the second panel will examine the long-term consequences. The panellists will further consider whether UNCITRAL texts on international dispute resolution have been able to accommodate such adaptations, as well as the way forward.

#### Panel I: Measures taken by arbitral institution to respond to the COVID-19 crisis (45 minutes)

Moderated by Mr. James Castello  
Partner, King and Spalding LLP,  
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Ms. Alice Fremuth-Wolf  
Secretary-General,  
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Mr. Alexander G. Fessas  
Secretary General, ICC International Court of Arbitration

Mr. Ismail Selim  
Director, Cairo Regional Centre for  
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Ms. Sue Hyun Lim  
Secretary General, Korean Commercial Arbitration Board  
(KCAB INTERNATIONAL)

Mr. Chengjie Wang  
Secretary General, China International Economic and Trade  
Arbitration Commission (CIETAC)

#### Panel II: How will international dispute resolution evolve as a result of the COVID-19 crisis? (45 minutes)

Moderated by Mr. Andrés Jana  
Partner Bofill Mir & Alvarez Jana, Chile;  
Chair of Working Group II

Ms. Lise Alm  
Head of Business Development, The Arbitration Institute of  
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Ms. Maxi Scherer  
Professor of International Arbitration, Queen Mary  
University of London; Special Counsel, WilmerHale

Ms. Yulia Mullina  
Executive Administrator, Russian Arbitration Center at the  
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Ms. Marianella Ventura Silva  
Secretary-General, Arbitration Center of the Lima Chamber  
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Chief of ADR/General Counsel, Saudi Centre for  
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Question & Answer (30 minutes)

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