

**INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP
IRAQ PUBLIC LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (IPLP)**

American University of Sharjah

8-9 November 2019



The arbitration conference and workshop aim to introduce the basic concepts of commercial and investment arbitration and provide some practical examples of the process in practice, including as they relate to emerging countries such as Iraq. Observers at this conference will also include representatives from law firms in the region.

PROGRAMME

Friday 8 November 2019

**10AM: INTRODUCTION BY RORY V. WHEELER AND NOOR KADHIM
(ORGANISERS)**

**10.15AM: “WHY ARBITRATION?” INTRODUCTION TO INTERNATIONAL
ARBITRATION / Q&A**

11.15 – 11.30AM: Coffee break

**11.30 – 12.30PM: INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION AND IRAQ, BY
NOOR KADHIM**

12.30 – 1.30PM: Lunch break

**2 – 3PM: INVESTMENT TREATY ARBITRATION AND RECENT CASES INVOLVING
IRAQ, BY LEONARDO CARPENTIERI**

3 – 4PM: ENFORCEMENT OF ARBITRAL AWARDS

Saturday 9 November 2019

**10AM – 12.30PM: The IPLP class will be divided into opposing groups of 4. They will
debate the moot problem before a panel of arbitrators composed by Noor, Rory and
Leonardo**

12.30PM: Closing remarks

Panellists and speakers

Noor Kadhim, Gardner Leader (Partner, Dispute Resolution), London



Noor qualified as an English solicitor in 2008 but also has experience working in civil law jurisdictions such as France and the United Arab Emirates. Her specialist areas are international commercial and investment arbitration, litigation, and art and cultural heritage law. In international arbitration, she has represented corporations, individuals, states and state-owned entities in LCIA, ICC, ICSID, UNCITRAL, ADCCAC and other proceedings, in London, Paris, Dubai, and Abu Dhabi. Sectors in which she has advised clients include energy (including renewables), shareholder and general commercial matters, and financial services. Noor has also worked in-house at the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris and was also seconded at a major international litigation funder where she sourced arbitration and litigation cases for funding, assisted with presentations on funding, and advised the investment committee on the merits of cases submitted for funding.

Rory Wheeler, Orrick (Associate, International Arbitration), Paris



Rory is an international arbitration lawyer in Orrick's Paris office. He focuses on commercial, investment, and construction disputes in the EMEA region. Admitted as an Avocat at the Paris Bar and as a Solicitor of England and Wales, he is an MBA graduate from INSEAD (18J). He has particular experience in international trade and joint-venture contracts, M&A disputes, and investor-State arbitration. Rory has participated in arbitral proceedings conducted under the ICC, SCC, SIAC, ICSID, Swiss Chambers and the DIAC arbitration rules. He has also acted as Administrative Secretary to arbitral tribunals. Prior to joining Orrick, Rory was an associate in an arbitration boutique law firm in Paris.

Dr. Leonardo Carpentieri, LMS Legal LLP (Counsel, International Arbitration), London



Leonardo is a counsel in the London office of LMS Legal LLP. He assists clients in both investment treaty and commercial arbitration proceedings, before the major arbitration institutions including the ICC, ICSID, UNCITRAL, LCIA. Leonardo's practice specifically focuses on construction, energy and infrastructure projects. Prior to joining LMS, Leonardo worked in the arbitration groups of international law firms in London and Paris, including Clifford Chance, Baker Botts and Pinsent Masons. Leonardo is admitted to practice as a Solicitor in England & Wales and as a French *Avocat* in Paris. He is the President of the English Section of the Franco-British Lawyers Society and a member of the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Task Force of the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation.