



Investment Treaty Forum

Tenth Public Conference

Investment Treaty Awards:

Post-Award Remedies: the latest swing of the pendulum?

9 May 2008

09.15 – 15.30

Brunei Gallery, Thornhaugh Street, London WC1H0XG

Programme

- 8.45 - 9.15 **Registration & Coffee**
- 9.15 - 9.20 **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**
- Norah Gallagher**, Director, Investment Treaty Forum, British Institute of International and Comparative Law
- 9.20 - 9.40 **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**
- Recent developments relating to investment awards: annulment enforcement & appeals*
Gavan Griffith QC, Essex Court Chambers
- 9.45 - 11.00 **SESSION ONE**
- Chair: **Dr Laurence Shore**, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP
- Speakers:
1. *Overview of the ICSID annulment process; procedure and statistics*
 Ruth McKenzie, University College London
 2. *Composition of ad hoc Committees: implications*
 Professor Nicolas Angelet, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Liedekerke - Wolters-Waelbroeck – Kirkpatrick
 3. *Annulment decisions: scope of review, obiter statements and impact on investment jurisprudence*
 Zachary Douglas, Matrix Chambers, Faculty of Law
 Cambridge University

11.00 - 11.20

Tea & Coffee

11.20 - 13.00

SESSION TWO

Chair: **Dr. Julian DM Lew QC**, 20 Essex Street

Speakers:

1. *Scope of domestic review of investment awards; recent cases; inconsistencies*
Anthony Wilson, King & Spalding LLP
2. *Implications of recent ad hoc committee decisions, impact of withdrawal from ICSID; de facto refusal to enforce*
Matthew Weiniger, Herbert Smith LLP
3. *Compliance by parties with awards: ICSID Convention v New York Conventions obligations*
Stanimir A. Alexandrov, Sidley Austin LLP Washington
4. *Post - Annulment Options: possible recourse by investor's home state.*
Lee Caplan, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State

13.00 - 14.00

Lunch

14.00 - 15.15

SESSION THREE

Chair: **Professor Dr. Hans van Houtte**, University of Louvain

Speakers:

1. *Revising the system for review of investment awards*
Professor Christoph Schreuer, University of Vienna
2. *Inconsistencies in the ICSID Annulment Process: Would a Standing Annulment Committee work better?*
Professor Thomas Wälde, CEMPLP, University of Dundee & Essex Court Chambers
3. *Commentator: State Perspective*
Gabriel Bottini, Coordinator of the International Affairs Department, Office of the Attorney General, Republic of Argentina

15.20 - 15.40

CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSE

Robert Volterra, Latham & Watkins LLP
Nigel Blackaby, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Paris

15.40-16.00

Tea & Coffee