

Thirty Third ITF Public Conference Valuation of Damages in International Investment Law

Friday, 18 October 2019 9:00 – 17:00

Woburn House Conference Centre 20-24 Tavistock Square, LONDON, WC1H 9HQ

The magnitude of damages awards and the difficulties valuation causes for arbitrators and counsel become a key concern for both foreign investors and states. To discuss valuation of damages in international investment law the Thirtieth ITF Public Conference will convene in London on 18 October 2019. The Forum will bring together leading arbitrators, judges, practitioners and academics, drawn primarily from ITF members, to debate issues related to valuation, proving and quantifying damages in investor-state disputes.

Topics covered include:

- What makes valuation in investor-State disputes different from commercial arbitration (involvement of sovereigns, country risk premiums, expropriation compensation and claims for less than full value, the social impact)
- Proving damages (reasonably proven and speculative losses, the burden of proof, "best evidence", the impact of hindsight information)
- Quantification of damages (differences between "full reparation," "full compensation" and "fair market value", other valuation standards, valuation methods used in recent awards)
- The effect of contributory negligence
- Moral damages and other issues.

Programme

8.30 – 9.00 Registration with tea/coffee

9.00 – 9.15 **Welcome and Introduction**

Prof Yarik Kryvoi, Investment Treaty Forum Director, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, United Kingdom

9:15 – 10:00 **Keynote Address**

Juan Fernández-Armesto, Armesto & Asociados, Spain



10:00 – 11:30 Panel 1. What makes valuation in investor-State different

Chair: Christophe Bondy, Cooley LLP, United Kingdom

Jeffery Commission, Burford Capital LLC, United States

Marcos Garcia Dominguez, University of Chicago, United States / Argentina

Vikki Wall, Haberman Ilett LLP, United Kingdom

11:30 - 12:00 Coffee & Tea

12:00 – 13:30 **Panel 2. Proving damages**

Chair: Ronnie Barnes, Cornerstone Research, United Kingdom

Arif Ali, Dechert LLP, United States

Huawei Sun, Zhong Lun Law Firm, China

Antolín Fernández Antuña, Antuña & Partners, Spain

13:30 - 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 Panel 3. Quantifying damages

Chair: **Christina Beharry**, Foley Hoag LLP, United States

Aron Skogman, Mannheimer Swartling Advokatbyrå AB, Sweden

John Elisson, FTI Consulting Inc., United Kingdom

David Herlihy, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, United Kingdom

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