Investment Treaty Forum

A global centre for high level debate on International Investment Law

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Activities and membership benefits
Message from the Director

The Investment Treaty Forum (ITF) is a global platform for the exchange of ideas and cutting edge research in the field of international investment law.

The Forum membership is limited to allow a high level debate in smaller events hosted by member law firms. At large spring and autumn ITF public conferences members constitute the vast majority of speakers.

The Forum benefits from being a part of the British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) - one of the world’s leading legal research and membership organisations. BIICL offers unparalleled access to network with those who work in international and comparative law in the United Kingdom and globally.

We always welcome new ideas from members and look forward to working together on organising events, bespoke training and conducting research in the area of investment treaty law.

Professor Yarik Kryvoi

People

Patrons of the Forum: HE Judge Rosalyn Higgins DBE QC, Professor Florentino Feliciano and Yves Fortier CC QC.

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Investment Treaty Forum Membership

ITF membership is by invitation only and includes leading organisations, senior practitioners and academics working in the area of investment treaty law.

Members meet regularly to discuss topical issues and, where appropriate, to develop views on issues of concern to governments and decision-makers. The Forum also has strong links with related institutions such as the UK Foreign and Commonwealth Office, ICSID, UNCTAD and many others.

Key benefits for ITF members include:

- The opportunity to participate in an independently-run Forum that aims to influence investment treaty law and policy, providing an arena for ongoing and constructive debate with relevant actors.
- The opportunity to recommend topics and guest speakers to be invited to Forum discussions and conferences.
- A place at each Forum meeting, as well as free attendance for nominated Forum members at public conferences and discussions related to the field.
- The membership benefits in line with the Institute’s Individual membership (free access to ICLQ, 40% discount on BIICL publications, 20% discount on CUP publications and member rate at BIICL events).
- The opportunity to suggest research or other work to be carried out by the Forum staff.
- Access to a members-only section of the web site with various materials related to investment treaty law.

Investment Treaty Forum Events

In addition to two public conferences per year, the Forum organises regular seminars and conferences inviting key figures from national governments, international organisations, law firms and academia to address Forum Members on selected topics.

Some of the topics covered by events have previously included: economic crime and international investment law, valuation and quantum in investor-state arbitration and investment arbitration strategy.
What is the Investment Treaty Forum?

The Investment Treaty Forum (ITF) was founded in 2004 to serve as a global centre for serious high level debate in the field of international investment law.

The Forum is a membership-based group, bringing together some of the most expert and experienced lawyers, business managers, policy advisers, academics and government officials working in the field.

Like BIICL itself, the Forum has a reputation for independence, even-handedness and academic rigour.

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