1st ITA-ALARB Joint Conference on International Arbitration

Arbitrating Disputes in Natural Resources

THE RITZ-CARLTON HOTEL, SANTIAGO, CHILE

Highlights

- Keynote Speaker Doak Bishop (King & Spalding, Houston)
- Oral History luncheon interview of Yves Derain (Derains & Gharavi, Paris)
- Conference Co-Chairs: Andrés Jana (Bofill Mir & Álvarez Jana, Santiago) and Eduardo Zuleta (Zuleta Abogados Asociados, Bogotá)
- Young Lawyers Roundtable, Welcome Reception and Conference Dinner at Oporto Restaurant
- The program will be presented with simultaneous translation in English and Spanish

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Disputes related to natural resources have increased substantially and represent a significant percentage of international arbitrations today. This is particularly true for the Latin American Region. Disputes range from investment disputes for expropriation or other alleged violations of international treaties in extractive industries to commercial disputes on JOAs and association agreements. These disputes present particular features reflected in different aspects of the case, including among others damages assessment, the role of local communities, environmental concerns, and policy issues that arise in the overall relationship between private parties, public entities, and the state. Industry and arbitration experts will address these issues and others that are specific to investment and commercial arbitration involving natural resources.
5:30 Annulment of Awards

Decades ago, the annulment of awards was considered a side effect of the “growing pains” in a relatively young area of law. As arbitration is becoming more mature, cases are argued and decided by sophisticated, specialized practitioners and arbitrators. Yet, decisions by well-respected arbitrators are still annulled. What causes annulment committees and courts to annul an award? Are there any common trends in the region? Are awards under a higher scrutiny?

Moderator:
- Alegria Jijon-Andrade, Pérez Bustamante & Ponce, Quito

Panelists:
- Valeria Galindez, Valença Galindez, São Paolo
- Jose Maria de la Jara, Bullard Falla Ezcurra +, Lima

6:30-7:30 Welcome Reception

8:00 Conference Dinner at Oporto Steak Bar (optional)

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FRIDAY, MAY 4

7:45 ALARB Annual Meeting

8:45 Welcome Back

- Sergio Urrejola Monckeberg, President, Centro de Arbitraje y Mediación Santiago (CAM), Santiago
- Andres Jana, ITA Americas Initiative Chair, Bofill Mir & Alvarez Jana, Santiago

9:00 Keynote Address: Framing the Issues

From private disputes to indigenous issues to regulatory issues to expropriation, the range of possible energy disputes arbitrated in Latin America is broad and the scope of possible remedies intriguing. This introduction will set the stage for a wide array of presentations from practitioners expert in these areas throughout the Americas.

- Doak Bishop, King & Spalding, Houston

9:30 Relevant Issues in International Commercial Arbitration

A view from the perspective of the arbitral institutions, arbitrators, counsel and the industry on the issues at stake in international commercial arbitration related to natural resources.

Moderator:
- Kate Brown de Vejar, Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle, Mexico, D.F.

Panelists:
- Ana Serra e Moura, Deputy Secretary General, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris
- Joao Bosco Lee, Lee Taube Gabardo, Curitiba
- Monica Jimenez Gonzalez, Secretary General, Ecopetrol S.A., Bogota
11:00 Coffee Break

11:30 Relevant Issues in Investor State Arbitration
A view from the perspective of the arbitral institutions, arbitrators, counsel and the industry on the issues at stake in investment cases involving natural resources.

Moderator:
- José Emilio Nunes Pinto, José Emilio Nunes Pinto Advogados, São Paulo

Panelists:
- Martin Doe, Legal Counsel, Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Hague
- Ignacio Suarez Anzorena, Clifford Chance LLP, Washington, D.C.
- Abby Cohen Smutny, White & Case LLP, Washington, D.C.
- Mairée Urain-Bidegain, Team Leader/Legal Counsel, International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), Washington, D.C.

1:00 Luncheon
This interview is the latest in a series organized by the ITA Academic Council to record the evolution of modern international arbitration in the words of those who have led it.

A Conversation with

Yves Derain
Derains & Gharavi, Paris

With

Eduardo Zuleta
President, Asociación Latinoamericana de Arbitraje (ALARB)
Vice Chair, Institute for Transnational Arbitration
Zuleta Abogados Asociados, Bogotá

3:00 Mock: Cross-Examination of a Damages Expert
What is the role of damage experts? Assist the Tribunal? Support the case of the party? Both? How should an expert be cross-examined? Leading practitioners and experts will conduct a live hearing session devoted to the cross examination of an expert.

- Counsel for Claimant: Rafael Llano, White & Case LLP, Mexico City
- Counsel for Defendant: Dietmar Prager, Debevoise & Plimpton, New York
- Tribunal Chair: Guido Tawil, M. & M. Bomchil and Univ. of Buenos Aires
- Claimant-Appointed Arbitrator: Deva Villanua, Armesto & Asociados, Madrid
- Respondent-Appointed Arbitrator: Christian Albanesi, Linklaters, Paris

Panel Discussion
Audience Q&A

4:15 Coffee Break
4:45 Future Perspectives and Proposals
Looking in to the future. Will arbitration remain as we know it today?

Moderator:
- Macarena Letelier Velasco, Secretary General, Centro de Arbitraje y Mediación Santiago (CAM), Santiago

Panelists:
- David Arias, Arias Abogados, Madrid
- Eduardo Silva Romero, Dechert LLP, Paris

6:15 Closing Remarks
- Eduardo Zuleta, ALARB President, Zuleta Abogados Asociados, Bogotá

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