Rwanda continues to make considerable improvements to its business environment and investment climate and being the first greenest destination in Africa. Rwanda is the most reformed country in the world and the second best destination for doing business in Africa according to the World Bank’s ‘Ease of doing business report’ (2020). With such conducive business environment, commercial disputes are inevitable.

Kigali International Arbitration Centre (KIAC) was established in 2010 as an independent body to provide infrastructure for quality services in arbitration and other ADR mechanisms. Launched officially in May 2012, KIAC started in April 2013 to administer cases under its arbitration rules after continuous sensitization campaign in Rwanda and abroad on the use of arbitration and KIAC standards Arbitration clauses. The KIAC Arbitration Rules (2012) are a modern set of arbitration rules, which provisions are consistent with international best practices. Currently KIAC registered more than 200 cases.

The year 2022 marks the 10th Anniversary of the Kigali International Arbitration Center (KIAC) This event is an opportunity to celebrate KIAC’s Arbitration cases out of which 40% are international cases with parties from Burundi, China, Ethiopia, Egypt, France, India, Italy, Kenya, Korea, Nigeria, Pakistan, South Africa, South Korea, Singapore, Rwanda, Spain, Switzerland, Tanzania, Turkey, Uganda, USA, Zambia

The Anniversary will be celebrated by a conference where the international Arbitration community will gather in Kigali to discuss the hot topics shaping the future of international Arbitration in one of the major African Arbitral institutions. Furthermore, the event will be an opportunity to share the role of courts in support of Arbitration in Rwanda where none of KIAC Awards has never been set aside.

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**TOPICS INCLUDE:**

- Disclosure in International Arbitration: Current trends.
- Joinder and Multiparty Arbitration: Comparative perspectives.
- The Revised 2020 IBA Rules of Evidence in international arbitration and its Commentary.
- The virtual hearing Protocols: What Practitioners need to know.
- The Past, Present and Future of Kigali International Arbitration Centre
- The Dispute Resolution options under Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AFCTA).
- Presenting damages in construction arbitration
- Valuing energy in arbitration disputes
- Enforcing an arbitral award set aside at the seat
- The 2022 revised ICSID Rules and Regulations

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Speakers will include eminent international arbitration practitioners & scholars from across the globe (for more details about speakers visit the link http://kiac10anniversary.org.rw).

Some Confirmed speakers include:

- **His Lordship Dr. Faustin Ntezilyayo**, The Chief Justice of Rwanda (Chief Guest)
- **Dr. Emmanuel Ugirashebuja**, Minister of Justice & Attorney General (Rwanda)
- **Prof. Mohamed Abdel Wahab**, Keynote Speaker (Egypt)
- **Hon. Isaiah Bozimo**, Attorney General & Commissioner for Justice (Delta State/Nigeria)
- **Mr. Faustin K. Mbundu**, Chairman-BoD, MTN Rwanda (Rwanda)
- **Mr. Moise Nkundabarashi**, President-Rwanda Bar Association (Rwanda)
- **Prof. Emilia Onyema**, SOAS-University of London (UK)
- **Dr. Ismail Selim**, Director of CRCICA (Egypt)
- **Mr. Victor Mugabe**, Secretary General, KIAC (Rwanda)
- **Christophe Adebayo Ojo**, SAN, International Arbitrator (Nigeria)
- **Mr. Thomas Kendra**, Partner, Hogan Lovells (Paris-France)
- **Prof. Datuk Sundra Rajoo**, President of Council-AIADR (Malaysia)
- **Ms. Aissatou Diop**, Legal Counsel-ICSID (Washington DC-USA)
- **Mr. Thierry Ngoga**, Partner, Legal Line Partners (Rwanda)
- **Mr. Babatunde Ogunseitan**, International Arbitrator
- **Ms. Nakasamba Banda Chanda**, Partner, A.M. Wood & Co. (Zambia)
- **Ms. Olusola Adegbionmire**, Senior Managing Partner, Sola Ajijola & Co (Nigeria)
- **Dr. Jimmy Koddo**, International Arbitrator (Benin)
- **Mr. Julien Kavaruganda**, Senior Partner, KS & P (Rwanda)
- **Ms. Elodie Dulac**, Partner, King & Spalding (Singapore)
- **Prof. Ike Ehiriibe**, International Arbitrator (Nigeria & UK)
- **Dr. Achille Ngwanza**, Managing Partner, Jus Africa (Cameroon)
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- **Mr. Tarik Mossadek**, Advocate-Mossadek Law Firm & Partners (Morocco)
- **Mr. Alexandre Vagenheim**, Impact&Global Relations-JUS MUNDI (Paris-France)
- **Mr. Abayomi Okubote**, Executive Director-Africa Arbitration Academy (Nigeria)
- **Mr. Anish Wadia**, International Arbitrator (India)

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PROGRAMME

Wednesday 28th September 2022
Arrival on international delegates
15.00 - 20.00: Registration
18.30 - 20.00: Welcome & Networking Reception
   Welcome Speech

DAY 1
Thursday 29th September 2022
8.00 - 9.00: Registration
9.00 - 10.00: Opening Ceremony
   - Introductory & Welcome speeches
   - Keynote addresses speech
   - Guest of Honor’s Opening address
10.00 - 10.20: Coffee Break
10.20 - 11.30: The Past, Present and Future of KIAC.

KIAC was launched in 2012, as one of the leading Arbitral institution with currently more than 200 arbitration cases out of which 40% are international cases. This panel will discuss how KIAC influence the practice of international commercial arbitration, the 1958 New York Convention, the role of Rwandan Courts and the lessons learnt from the past which may guide the future perspectives.

11.30 - 12.00: Discussion
12.00 - 12.40: Disclosure in International Arbitration: Current Trends

This panel will address the past and current practice of arbitral institutions with respect to arbitrator(s) and prospective arbitrator(s)’ disclosure. The panel will assess (using court decisions) whether there is current consequences caused by failure to make such disclosures leading to propose some modification of the existing Arbitral institution’s practices.

12.40 - 13.00: Discussion
13.00 - 14.00: Lunch

BREAK OUT SESSION ONE

14.00-14.30: The Revised 2020 IBA Rules of Evidence in international arbitration and its Commentary.

In December 2020, the International Bar Association (“IBA”) adopted a revised third edition of its Rules on the Taking of Evidence in International Arbitration (the “2020 IBA Rules”), which supersede the 2010 version currently in force (the “2010 IBA Rules”). Unless otherwise agreed, the 2020 IBA Rules will apply to all arbitrations in which the parties agree to apply the IBA Rules after 17 December 2020. This panel will discuss the aim, the scope of the revised rules as well as the key changes to inform the arbitration practitioners.

14.30 - 14.50: Discussion

BREAK OUT SESSION TWO

14.00-14.30: The Dispute Resolution options under Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (AFCTA).

This panel composed of trade experts and arbitrator will discuss the different steps (
options) under the AFCTA Agreement and Protocol in relation to the dispute resolution mechanisms with much focus on the rights and obligations of State Parties under AfCFTA Agreement, the place of arbitration under the mechanism and what Arbitration practitioners need to anticipate.

14.30 - 14.50: Discussion
15.00 - 15.40: BREAK OUT SESSIONS (SECOND ROUND)

BREAK OUT SESSION ONE:


Virtual hearing was popular during COVID 19 time. The different protocols establishing guidelines for arbitrators, parties and counsel to consider when preparing for and attending a virtual hearing, this panel will discuss the learning of the use of virtual hearing, its limitation and whether practitioners can anticipate ‘the status quo’ in the post COVID 19.

15:40 - 16.00: Discussion
16.00 - 16.20: Health Break

BREAK OUT SESSION TWO:

15.00 - 15.40: Joinder and Multiparty Arbitration: Comparative perspectives

This panel will address issues such as who are the proper parties to arbitration, consent to arbitrate; joinder of parties and consolidation of arbitral proceedings; arbitral procedures where multiple parties are involved. A Mock case on multiparty or multi contract Arbitration will follow aiming to meet the practical needs of practitioners. The legal counsel will plead a situation of jurisdictional issues in multiparty case under institutional arbitration rules

15:40 - 16.00: Discussion
16.00 - 16.20: Day one wrap up
16.20 - 16.40: Health Break & end of the day
19.00 - 22.00: Gala dinner

DAY 2

Friday 30th September 2022
8.30 - 9.00: Registration

This panel will discuss the aim, the scope of the revised rules and regulations as well as the key changes to inform the investment arbitration

9.40 - 10.00: Discussion
10.00 - 10.30: The Battle of the Titans- Enforcing an arbitral award set aside at the seat (YES Or NO)

There is contrasting positions taken by a number of pro-arbitration jurisdictions in relation to the enforcement of awards that have been set aside by the courts of the seat. Scholars and practitioners are divided. The session will discuss the two contrasting positions.

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10.30 - 10.45: Discussion
10.45 – 11.00: Health Break

11.00 – 11.30: Presenting damages in construction arbitration

The panel composed of arbitrators and Quantum experts will share the technical issues from theory to practice of the arbitral process such as legal standards, approaches in their evaluation and calculation of damages in construction disputes.

11.30 - 11.45: Discussion
11.45 – 12.15: Valuing energy in arbitration disputes

The price of energy keeps changing and can both give rise to disputes and determine damages. This panel will tackle pricing and valuation issues that arise in international commercial arbitration disputes including: recent developments and current trends in gas price reviews; price how fluctuations in oil prices can impact damages.

12.15 - 12.30: Discussion
12.30 – 12.40: Conclusion
12.40 – 14.00: Lunch
End of the Conference
LOGISTICS NOTE

Registration Fees

Early bird: $250 or FRW 250,000 for registration by 05th September 2022
Standard fee: $325 or FRW 325,000 from 06th September 2022

The fee covers all conference activities including Networking reception, workshop materials, lunches, coffee/tea breaks and a dinner on Thursday 29th and Friday 30th September 2022. Travel and hotel expenses are not included.

Accompanying Person Fee: $100 or FRW 100,000
Accompanying person fees covers the access to the Gala dinner only on Thursday 29th September 2022
The accompanying person fee does not include or allow access to working sessions and their related logistics.

Registration and Payment for the conference will close on 20th September 2022

YOU CAN PAY THROUGH:

Debit or Credit card https://kiac.org.rw/pop.php;
Or Bank Transfer
Bank and Bank Account:
I&M Bank Rwanda Ltd 25042751002 (US Dollar)
for Kigali International Arbitration Centre (KIAC);
Swift Code: IMRWRWRW
Correspondent Bank:
ING BELGIUM, Swift Code: BBRUBEBB or CITIBANK NY SWIFT code: CITIUS33

For participants located in Rwanda, payment can be made in Rwandan Francs on the Bank details below:
Bank and Bank Account: I&M Bank Rwanda Ltd, 25042751001 (FRW)
Beneficiary: Kigali International Arbitration Centre (KIAC);

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Or Return the registration form to:
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Tel: +250 788316736
PO BOX 695 Kigali, Rwanda
Registration will be confirmed upon receipt of the registration form and registration fees.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION

Participants are responsible for making their own travel arrangements and hotel reservations. Hotel reservation can be made through any of the below Hotels which are nearby the conference venue. As they will be distributed on a “first-come, first-served” basis, we recommend that you make your reservation ASAP.

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To ease logistical burdens to the participants, KIAC has reached out to the nearby hotels and negotiated the discounted accommodation prices for the participants to the KIAC 10th Anniversary Conference.

The negotiated hotels, prices and contacts are as follow:

• **Radisson Blu Hotel & Convention Centre**
  (Conference venue):
  Standard single Room: **$150** per night (Breakfast Inclusive)
  Standard Double Room: **$180** per night (Breakfast Inclusive)

  **NB.** The Price is **Airport Pick up/Transfer exclusive**

  **Contact:** Ms. Natasha Kamikazi:
  natasha.kamikazi@radissonblu.com
  or Mr. Desire Mutangana:
  desiree.mutangana@radissonblu.com

• **Lemigo Hotel** 100m from the conference venue
  Standard single Room: **$100** per night (Breakfast Inclusive)
  Standard Double Room: **$130** per night (Breakfast Inclusive)
  Deluxe Room (Single Occupancy): **$120** (Breakfast Inclusive)
  Deluxe Room (Double Occupancy): **$150** (Breakfast Inclusive)

  **NB.** The Price is **Airport Pick up/Transfer inclusive**

  **Contact:** reservation@lemigohotel.com,
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• Grazia Apartments,
100m from the conference venue
Standard single Room: $90 per night (Breakfast Inclusive)
Superior Double Room: $120 per night (Breakfast Inclusive)
Twin Bedroom: $140 (Breakfast Inclusive)
Apartment (1 Bedroom with kitchen): $140 (Breakfast Inclusive)
Apartment (1 Bedroom without kitchen): $130 (Breakfast Inclusive)

NB. The Price is Airport Pick up/Transfer inclusive

Contact: graziaparts@gmail.com;
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Please remember to mention that you are booking your accommodation to attend the KIAC 10th Anniversary Conference scheduled for 29th & 30th September 2022 and copy in KIAC Secretariat through info@kiac.org.rw, for follow up and assistance if need be.
VISA TO RWANDA

Rwanda has an open visa policy where all nationalities get visas on arrival. Citizens from the African Union Member States, the Commonwealth, La Francophonie enjoy visa fees waiver for a stay of 30 days. The Visa fees are waived for EAC Citizens for a stay of 6 months. The rest of the visitors pay $50 visa fees upon arrival.

CANCELLATION POLICY

50% of the registration fee will be refunded if notice of cancellation is received in writing before 15th September 2022. Cancellations after this date are not refundable.

Subject to agreement from KIAC prior to the event, the registration may be transferred to another person from the same company or organization at no extra charge. Updated registration information will be required.

Please note that KIAC Services reserves the right to cancel this event or to make minor alterations to the content and timing of the Program or to the identity of the speakers. In the unlikely event of cancellation, delegates will be offered a full refund.

KIAC Services will not, however, be held responsible for any related expense incurred by the participant.
The event will provide a golden marketing opportunity to showcase your products and services to delegates, giving therefore a critical step to maximizing your visibility and networking with arbitration professionals and other high-ranking dignitaries from different parts of the world. Each sponsor and partner will have a tailor-made profile on the KIAC social media platforms and will feature in the event branding materials, based on the sponsorship tiers.

It will be in your institution/company’s interest to be associated with this event through sponsorship. Whereby all information about wholly sponsorship packages are illustrated in below table.

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Please indicate if you wish to receive such information:

Yes                                          No

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Rwanda has got various tourism attractions, that interest thousands of tourists, to come and explore the beauty of the country namely, beautiful lakes, breathtaking national parks, canopy walkways, Ethnographic museums, and other refreshing places that you can explore though https://www.visitrwanda.com/tourism/

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