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International Conference: “FROM ARBITRATION LEGISLATION REFORM TO ENHANCING THE BUSINESS CLIMATE”

Date: 28th and 29th March, 2019

Location: Economic Chamber of Macedonia (Skopje), meeting hall 4, fifth floor

- AGENDA -

DAY 1

THURSDAY, 28TH MARCH, 2019

9:30 - 10:00 Registration

10:00 - 10:25 Welcoming addresses

- **Goran Rafajlovski Ph.D.**, *president, Permanent Court of Arbitration attached to the Economic Chamber of Macedonia*
- **Kocho Angjushev Ph.D.**, *Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of North Macedonia, responsible for economic affairs and coordination with the economic sectors*
- **Renata Deskoska Ph.D.**, *Minister of justice in the Government of the Republic of North Macedonia*
- **H.E. Sybille Suter Tejada**, *Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Embassy of Switzerland in North Macedonia*

10:25 - 11:15 **PANEL I: MODERNIZING THE ARBITRATION LEGISLATION: WHAT IS THE RIGHT DIRECTION?**

- **Pavle Pensa**, Law office “Jadek & Pensa”, Ljubljana, Slovenia - *“What changes are needed to enable technology based arbitration?”*
 - **Ivaylo Dermendjiev Ph.D.**, Law Firm “Simeonov & Dermendjiev Ltd”, Sofia, Bulgaria - *“The public policy and arbitrability reforms in Bulgaria”*
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11:15 - 11:30 Discussion

11:30 - 12:00 Coffee/Tea break

12:00 - 13:10 **PANEL II: REGIONAL ANGLE ON ARBITRATION - WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM OTHERS' SUCCESS STORIES OR MISTAKES?**

- **Elisabetta Silvestri, Ph.D., University of Pavia, Italy** - *“Italy: No Country for Arbitrators?”*
 - **Bartosz Karolczyk, Law office “Domański Zakrzewski Palinka sp.k.”, Warsaw, Poland** - *“Commercial arbitration in Poland: what went wrong or are we just fine?”*
 - **Dragan Psodorov, Law office “Jokovic, Stojanovic & Partners” Belgrade, Serbia** - *“Psychological aspects of regional arbitration”*
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13:10 - 13:25 Discussion

13:25 -14:40 **PANEL III: TRENDS IN ORGANIZING ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS**

- **Boris Porobija, Law office “Porobija & Porobija”, Zagreb, Croatia** - *“Consolidation of Arbitrations - Trends and Challenges”*
 - **Tanja Planinic, “Pestalozzi”, Zurich, Switzerland** - *“Soft law in the organization and conduct of commercial arbitration proceedings - A brief overview of the ICC Note to Parties and Arbitral Tribunals”*
 - **Amanda Neil, “Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer”, Vienna, Austria** - *“Legal tech in arbitration - how is it changing case preparation”*
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14:40 - 15:00 Discussion

15:00 - 16:00 Cocktail Lunch

DAY 2

FRIDAY, 29 MARCH 2019

10:00 - 11:30 **PANEL IV: ARBITRATION AND CONSTRUCTION DISPUTES**

- **Mark Roe, “Pinsent Masons LLP”, London, UK,** *„Efficient management of Construction Arbitration”*
- **Denis Rizaov, Granit AD, Skopje, North Macedonia** - *“Claim Avoidance Principle”*

- **prof.Toni Deskoski, Ph.D., Faculty of Law “Iustinianus Primus”-University “Ss.Cyril and Methodius” Skopje, North Macedonia - “Multi-tier dispute resolution clauses in FIDIC contracts”**
- **Ana Pepeljugoska Ph.D., Law office Pepeljugoski, Skopje, North Macedonia - “The role of the Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) in solving disputes under the FIDIC Red Book”**

11:30 - 11:45 Discussion

11:45 - 12:15 Coffee/Tea break

12:15 - 13:45 **PANEL V: INVESTMENT ARBITRATION - OUTLOOKS**

- **Ilija Mitrov Penushliski, Shearman & Stearling LLP, Paris, France - “What, if anything, can we learn from some recent setting aside decisions about the future of ISDS?”**
- **Alan Uzelac, University of Zagreb, Zagreb, Croatia - “ISDS v. Investment Courts: Why Arbitration is (Still) Preferable”**
- **Ana Stanic, E&A Law Ltd., London, UK - “Implications of Achmea decision on the future of investment treaty arbitration in the EU”**
- **Aleksandar Godzo, Law office Godzo Novakovski Kiceec, Ohrid, North Macedonia - “Structuring of investments, preparation of investment disputes and challenges”**

13:45 - 14:00 Discussion

14:00 - 15:00 Cocktail Lunch
