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Inaugural Session



Dr. Ismail Selim

Ismail Selim is the Director of the **CRCICA** and Secretary Treasurer of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (**IFCAI**). Dr. Selim is also a board member of the African Arbitration Association (**AfAA**), as well as Vice President of the Cairo Branch of the **CIArb**.

He graduated from Cairo University in 1997 with an LL.B., where he also obtained an LL.M in International Business Law from the I.D.A.I in 1999. He then earned his Master's degree in Public Administration from the E.N.A, in Paris in 2001.

He also earned a Certificate in International Commercial Arbitration from Queen Mary University of London in 2005. In 2007, he accomplished an internship program at the ICC Court of International Arbitration. In 2009, he earned his PhD from Burgundy University (France).

Dr. Selim started off his career at the judiciary, until he joined Zulficar & Partners as Senior Associate in 2009 to December 2012, then promoted to Partner and leading member of the International Arbitration Group at Zulficar and Partners in January 2013 to April 2015.

In May 2015, Dr. Selim joined Nour and Selim in association with Al Tamimi and Company as Partner and Head of Dispute Resolution.

Dr Selim teaches Private International Law at the IDAI since 2011 and has taught Arbitration Law and Private International Law in several Universities in Egypt. He also teaches Comparative International Arbitration Law at the Sorbonne University Middle East Laws LLM in Paris since beginning of 2018 and is a full approved tutor in CIArb Approved Faculty List (AFL) since April 2018.

He has been constantly appointed as Presiding arbitrator, Sole Arbitrator and Co-Arbitrator and has acted as a Counsel in various *ad hoc* and institutional cases under various rules such as CRCICA, Swiss Rules, UNCITRAL, the ICC and the DIFC-LCIA. Dr. Selim provides Expert opinions on Egyptian and Libyan Laws in international proceedings.

He is enrolled on the Court of Arbitration for Sport (**CAS**) panel of arbitrators, December 2017 and Board Member of **Francarbi** as of 1st January 2018.

Dr. Selim was recognized as "Leading Individual" by Legal 500 and has published several articles in learned Egyptian and International journals and regularly speaks in international conferences in the field of arbitration and investment.

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H.E. Dr. Nabil Elaraby

Dr. Nabil Elaraby Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (present). Previously the Secretary General of the League of Arab States July 2011 - 2016, He was appointed Egyptian Minister of Foreign Affairs in March 2011, He served as director of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration from 2008 to 2011. Previously He was a Judge at the International Court of Justice from 2001 until 2006, He was appointed the Permanent Representative to the UN in New York from 1991 to 1999; a member of the International Law Commission of the United Nations from 1994 to 2001; President of the Security Council in 1996; the Permanent Representative to the UN Office at Geneva from 1987 to 1991; he was Legal Adviser and Director in the Legal and Treaties Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1983 to 1987; Head of the Egyptian delegation to the Taba dispute negotiations from 1986-1988; Ambassador to India from 1981 to 1983; and was Egypt's Legal Advisor to the Camp David Middle East peace Conference in 1978.



Judge Mostafa El Bahabety

Judge Elbahabety is currently deputy Minister of Justice for Arbitration and international disputes and head of the Technical secretariat in both, the High Committee for International Arbitration and the Ministerial Committee for Settlement of Investment Contract's Disputes in Egypt. He is a court member of the International court of arbitration at the International Chamber of Commerce since 2005 on behalf Egypt. He is Member of Panel of arbitrators and conciliators of the International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) part of the World Bank. Judge Elbahabety succeeded in the settlement of 27 including 9 ICSID international Arbitration disputes on behalf of the Egyptian government, in addition to representing Egypt in cases held before the ICSID. He presided and was member at numerous arbitration panels in private arbitration disputes. He conducted research and attended many courses and conferences in the field of arbitration. He started off his career as a public prosecutor and promoted to be a chief prosecutor at the supreme public assets prosecution then moved to the judiciary and worked as judge at the court of first instance till he became a chief President at the Cairo court of appeal. Judge Bahabety holds a post graduate degree in Public law, economic and finance from Ain Shams University. Languages: Arabic and English



Judge. Dr. Borhan Amrallah

SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE ARAB UNION OF INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION (AUIA) Doctor of law, Former President of the Cairo Court of Appeal, Member of CRCICA's Advisory Committee; Retired Chief Justice of Cairo High Court of Appeal (EGYPT) ; Justice (ad-hoc) of Appellate Division of COMESA Court of Justice (Lusaka – Zambia) ; visiting law Prof. at Egyptian & Foreign Universities ; Faculty Member of National Center for Judicial Studies (EGYPT) ; Fellow of the Chartered Institute of International Arbitrators (London) ; Member of Comité Francais d'Arbitrage (Paris); Arbitrator : ICC Egyptian & French National Committees, Cairo Regional Center for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA), Court of Arbitration for Sport CAS Lausanne), Gulf Cooperation Council Commercial Arbitration Center (Bahrain) and Dubai International Arbitration Center (UAE). Former: a) Legal & Insurance Affairs Manager of Qatar Petrochemical co (Qatar). b) Justice at Qatar High Court of Appeal. c) Legal Advisor of Ahly Bank (Kuwait). d) Assistant Minister of Justice for International Cooperation & Arbitration (Egypt). e) Chief Justice of Cairo Economic Court.

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Mr. Stefano Azzali

Stefano Azzali is a lawyer graduated at the Genoa University - School of Law. After having practiced in Italy, USA and South Africa, he joined the Milan Chamber of Arbitration, where he acts as Secretary General. Since 2017, Stefano Azzali is also President of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI) and Visiting Professor of Arbitration Law at Bocconi University - School of Law in Milan.

In 2012 he has been Fellow at the Centre for Transnational Litigation and Commercial Law, New York University, School of Law.

He is member of the International Advisory Board at the International Arbitration Center of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber (VIAC) and he is the Italian Delegate designated by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the Uncitral Working Group on Arbitration.

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Author of articles and publications on arbitration, he is member of the panel of arbitrators before various arbitral centers (ICDR, VIAC, CIETAC etc.); he acted as arbitrator in several ad hoc and institutional proceedings (ICC, ICDR, DIS, Swiss Chambers etc).



Ms. Anna Joubin-Bret

Mrs. Anna Joubin-Bret is the Secretary of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law and Director of the Division on International Trade Law in the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations. She has been appointed on 24 November 2017. Prior to her appointment, Mrs. Joubin-Bret was Attorney-at-law and practiced in Paris. She specialized in International Investment Law and Investment Dispute Resolution. She focused on serving as counsel, arbitrator, mediator and conciliator in international investment disputes. She served as arbitrator in several ICSID, UNCITRAL and ICC disputes. Prior to 2011 and for 15 years, Anna was the Senior Legal Adviser for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). In this capacity, she managed the research and advisory work on international investment law issues as well as the technical assistance program on international investment agreements (IIAs). During her tenure, Anna assisted countries and governments in the formulation of investment policies and frameworks and the management of investor-State disputes. Anna has edited and authored seminal research and publications on international investment law, notably the Sequels to UNCTAD IIA Series. She co-edited with Jean Kalicki a book on Reform of Investor-State Dispute Settlement in 2015. She lectures on international investment law in various universities and institutes all over the world. She holds a post-graduate degree (DEA) in Private International Law from the University of Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, a Masters Degree in International Economic Law from University Paris I and in Political Science from Institut d'Etudes Politiques. She has been Legal Counsel in the legal department of the Schneider Group, General Counsel of the KIS Group and Director-Export of Pomagalski S.A. She has been appointed judge at the Commercial Court in Grenoble (France) and was elected Regional Counsellor of the Rhône-Alpes Region in 1998.

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First Session: Salient Legislative and Case Law Developments Affecting the Role of State Courts in International Arbitration



[Dr. Ahmed Ouerfelli \(Moderator\)](#)

As Legal Advisor in Chief to the three Post-revolution Presidents of the Republic of Tunisia, Ahmed Ouerfelli helped three presidents navigate Tunisia's transition (March 2011- Feb. 2015). A former judge, Ouerfelli had previously served in the public sector for over twenty years. He resigned in September 2014 and joined the Tunisian Bar as an independent lawyer and is now a Senior Partner at 'Ouerfelli Attorneys & Counsels' focusing on arbitration, taxation, corporate, M&A and business law in general. He has authored numerous legal articles and books on subjects ranging from commercial arbitration to sports law. He holds an MA in Private and Business Law from the Faculty of Law and Political Sciences at University of Tunis El Manar.



[Dr. Achille Ngwanza](#)

Doctor in Law and qualified to Paris Bar, Achille Ngwanza teach arbitration law, oil and mining law in various European and African Universities.

Frequently speaker in international conferences and training, he authored numerous publications and co-edited the book named Le contentious extractif (Extractive Disputes in English) published by ICC Publishing in 2015. He focusses his practice on oil and mining contracts, investment transaction and commercial contracts.

He acted as arbitrator, counsel and expert in several arbitral proceedings related extractive industry, commercial matters, construction. He is ICC, CCJA, CENACOM, CP AM, GI CAM and KIAC arbitrator. He is also consultant, expert and trainer for several institution including ALSF, AMDC, APPO, GIZ, UNECA in local content, drafting oil and mining Law, settlement of contractual and transboundary disputes related natural resources He is member of ICC International Court of Arbitration and Mauritius Chamber of Commerce and Industry Arbitration and Mediation Center. He is member of the Dispute Committee of Association of international Petroleum Negotiator (AIPN) and of the International Commercial Arbitration Case Law Subcommittee of International Bar Association (IBA) Arbitration Committee.

He chairs the OHADA Working Group of Comité Français de l'Arbitrage (French Committee of Arbitration).

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Prof. Hadi Slim

Hadi SLIM is a French/Lebanese Law Professor. He studied Law in Lebanon at Saint-Joseph University of Beirut before receiving with highest honors a Ph.D. in Private International Law from the University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas). He has been teaching since 1993 in several French Universities and was admitted to the grade of full Professor in 2004. He holds currently the position of Director of the Master's Program in International Business Law at François-Rabelais University in France and co-director of the LL.M. Program Business Law Arab World and Middle East and the Sorbonne Law School (Paris 1 University).

Professor Hadi SLIM is a member of the French Branch of the International Law Association, the French Committee of Arbitration, the Comparative Law Society, the Executive Board of the Lebanese Review of Arab and International Arbitration, the Editorial Committee of the Journal of Arab Arbitration and Majallat al-Tahkeem al-Aalamiya and was lately appointed to represent Lebanon at UNCITRAL. He is regularly appointed as counsel, arbitrator or expert in international arbitration proceedings and can conduct arbitration in English, French and Arabic. His areas of teaching and research are Civil law, Private International Law, International Business Law, Comparative law, Arbitration Law and Investment Law.



Dr. Omar Aljazy

Dr. Aljazy is the Managing Partner of Aljazy & Co. (Advocates & Legal Consultants) which is a leading Jordanian law firm. He is an International Business Lawyer and has extensive experience in corporate transactions and arbitration law, as well as international transactions including but not limited to; hotels developments; intellectual property; construction disputes; energy, shipping and maritime issues; competition and antitrust matters. Dr. Aljazy published various articles in several reputable journals and periodicals on different arbitration topics. Dr. Aljazy was appointed by Jordan as member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) at the International Court of Justice (ICJ) at the Hague. Also, in 2014 he was elected as the President of the Jordanian Arbitrators' Association.



Dr. Michael W. Bühler

Michael Bühler, a partner of JONES DAY and senior member of its Global Disputes practice, is a seasoned international arbitration lawyer, that has acted in close to 200 arbitrations, predominantly as counsel but also as an arbitrator, under the rules of leading arbitral institutions, such as ICC, ICSID, ICDR, SCC, WIPO, CEPANI, DIS, as well as the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules.

His focus is on complex disputes mainly in the energy and construction sectors, but involving also M&A and corporate transactions, financing arrangements, investment protection, joint ventures, IP rights, and agency and distributorship agreements for clients from the private & public sector from around the world.

Michael was a member of the ICC Court (1997-2009), co-chair of the Task Force of the ICC Commission on Arbitration on the Revision of the 2012 ICC Arbitration Rules (2008-2011), and most recently acted as the lead consultant for the Organization for the Harmonization of Business Law in Africa (OHADA) regarding the reform of its uniform arbitration act and the creation of a uniform mediation act.

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Michael is a member of the Düsseldorf, Paris and New York bars and holds a Ph.D. from the Law School of Geneva University and a LL.M. from the Law School of Columbia University. He is based at JONES DAY's office in Paris.

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Second Session: State Courts and the Enforcement of Interim and Emergency Arbitral Measures



[Prof. Nayla Comair-Obeid \(Moderator\)](#)

"Professor Dr. Nayla Comair-Obeid, founding partner of Obeid Law Firm, heads the firm's dispute resolution practice. Author of *The Law of Business Contracts in the Middle East*, Prof. Comair-Obeid publishes prolifically and is regularly invited to lecture at world-renowned academic institutions where her articles and scholarly publications are often cited as reference works. Throughout her career, Prof. Comair-Obeid has held and continues to hold prominent positions in several major international arbitration institutions. Prof. Comair-Obeid chaired the board of trustees of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) in 2014, she is past-President of the CI Arb for 2017, and in 2018 Prof. Comair-Obeid was appointed as CI Arb Companion. Prof. Comair-Obeid is also a member of the LCIA Court; trustee of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Arbitration; council member of the Institute of World Business Law of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC); and a member of the ICSID panel of arbitrators and conciliators. In August 2018, she was appointed as a member of China's International Commercial Expert Committee of the Supreme People's Court. A specialist in international business law and Islamic and Middle Eastern legislation, Prof. Comair-Obeid regularly serves as counsel or arbitrator in complex international arbitrations conducted in Arabic, French, or English, both ad hoc and under a variety of international arbitration rules. Prof. Comair-Obeid is also often called upon as a legal expert on various aspects of Lebanese law and Middle Eastern legislations in foreign courts and arbitral proceedings. Prof. Comair-Obeid is referred to as "pre-eminent in her field" and a "leading authority in international arbitration" by international legal publications.



[Mr. Duncan Bagshaw](#)

Duncan Bagshaw is a barrister and a member of the international arbitration and Africa groups at Stephenson Harwood. He has extensive experience working on disputes relation to projects in Africa, particularly in the oil and gas, energy and property development sectors. He offers practical commercial advice for clients operating in the region, backed up by powerful written and oral advocacy. Duncan joined Stephenson Harwood after spending three years as the Registrar of the LCIA-MIAC Arbitration Centre in Mauritius. He has been recommended in Chambers and Partners and the Legal 500 directories (in which he is described as "very responsive and engaged throughout") and was named as a leading international arbitration practitioner under 45 in "Who's Who Legal: Future Leaders" in 2017, 2018 and 2019. Duncan is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of a Charitable Trust which supports disadvantaged young adults and elderly people.



[Ms. Caroline Ming](#)

"Trilingual French, German and English, Caroline grew up and studied in Switzerland, in Vienna (Austria) and in Boston (USA). She worked in large Swiss law firms in Geneva (Python & Peter) and Zurich (Bär & Karrer), in the Geneva Administrative Court, in a multinational company (SGS), and then took her career to a new level by acting as Executive Director and General Counsel of the Swiss Chambers' Arbitration Institution (SCAI). Admitted to the New York and Geneva bars, she had among the best teachers in Pierre Tercier in contract law, William Park in arbitration, and Eric Green in mediation. She has then herself spoken at numerous conferences and academic programmes on the role of the in-house counsel in dispute resolution processes and on the efficient use of arbitration and mediation as complementary tools. In her capacity as in-house legal counsel, she has assisted SGS and its affiliates in their contract and claims negotiations and represented them in mediation, commercial and investment arbitration, as well as in litigation in various jurisdictions and under various dispute resolution institutions, notably SCAI, ICC, ICSID and LMAA. Given her strong business and risk management acumen, Caroline has also

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been managing business development projects for the SGS Minerals Business and, in 2013, was promoted to join the SGS Strategic Transformation team to lead a global digitalization project. Caroline is a member of the board of a hotel management group and acts as co-President of the Association of International Business Lawyers in Geneva region (www.aibl.ch). She acted for around 10 years as Country Representative for Switzerland of the Association of Corporate Counsel (www.acc.com) and for 2 years as a Board Member (Treasurer) of the ACC European Chapter."



Judge. Ismail Al Ziady

Judge Al Zaiady was born in 11/1/1952 in Cairo. He obtained a Bachelor of Law, Cairo University in 1974. Joined Public Prosecution and the judiciary in Egypt after graduation and still working as a judge. He is currently a judge in Cairo Court of Appeal (President of the Seventh Commercial Circuit) ranks equally as President of the Court of Appeal. Author of two books: "Real Estate Enforcement", 1997 edition of the Judges Club, Cairo; and "Arbitration and the Judiciary", 2007 edition, Al-Nahda Al Arabia Library, Cairo.



Mr. Kwadwo Sarkodie

Kwadwo Sarkodie is a partner in the construction and engineering practice of the London office of Mayer Brown International LLP. He has substantial experience across a broad range of dispute resolution, with extensive international experience, having advised in relation to projects and disputes in Sub-Saharan Africa, South America, India, Russia and the Middle East. He regularly advises in relation to international arbitrations, including under the ICC, UNCITRAL and LCIA rules. Kwadwo has written extensively regarding dispute resolution and arbitration in Sub-Saharan Africa. He also regularly advises employers, insurers, contractors, subcontractors and consultants in relation to disputes under a variety of forms of construction contract (both standard form and bespoke). He has extensive experience with regard to litigation, mediation and adjudication.



Mr. Tayeb Hassabo

A co-founder and Managing Partner of AZTAN Law Firm. Licensed, practising and legal expert in Sudan since 1989 and in Dubai, UAE since June 1994. Head of Corporate and Business Department in Algharib Law Firm of Dubai, and Head of Corporate and Business Department in Aztan, Sulaf & Associates, South Sudan, and Aztan, Swaleh & Associates, Kenya. Specialized in business laws, corporate matters and domestic and international arbitration. Handled infra-structure transactions, giant agriculture projects, international procurement agreements, telecommunication projects, distribution and agency agreements, acquisition and merger of companies

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Third Session: The Role of State Courts in Ongoing and Post-Arbitral Proceedings



[Sheikha Haya Rashed Al Khalifa \(Moderator\)](#)

Sheikha Haya is the principal and founding partner of Haya Rashed Al Khalifa Law Firm. Sheikha Haya was one of the first two women in Bahrain to practice law when she was admitted as a lawyer in Bahrain in 1979. Prior to setting up her practice, she was the vice chairwoman of the Arbitration (Committee D) in International Bar Association from 1997 to 1999. She was the former counsel at the Bahrain Ministry of State for Legal Affairs as well as a senior attorney at another major Bahraini law firm. She has been admitted to the Court of Cassation and the Constitutional Court of Bahrain and is a member of the Bahrain Bar Association. Sheikha Haya obtained a Bachelor of Law degree from the University of Kuwait in 1974. She has also obtained a Diploma in Civil Rights Private Law from the University of Alexandria, Egypt, in 1986 and a Diploma in Comparative Law from the University of Ain Shams, Egypt, in 1988. The Sheikha has had an illustrious diplomatic career. From 2000 to 2004 she was Bahrain's Ambassador to France and its non-resident Ambassador to Belgium, Switzerland and Spain, becoming the first Bahraini woman Ambassador. She is also Bahrain's permanent delegate to UNESCO, the U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization. She has been the President of the 61st Session of the United Nations General Assembly which closed in September 2007. She is the third woman to hold the position. She is the recipient of several notable awards, the most recent of which include the United Nations Millennium Development Goals Special Award, 2007, in recognition of her work in promoting the set of global anti-poverty targets, the Path to Peace Award 2007, from the Path to Peace Foundation, in recognition of acts of individual leadership in the international community, and the Social Creativity Award, representing appreciation for Arab women, at the Sixth Conference of the Arab Thought Foundation. Sheikha Haya was as ex-member of the World Intellectual Property Organisation Arbitration Committee and ex-member of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) International Court of Arbitration. She is also a member of the Bahrain Supreme Council of Culture, Arts & Literature and the former Vice-President of the Bahrain Bar Association. She has been appointed in 2008 to chair the Consumer Advisory Group of the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority, Bahrain Chair Person of the Board of BCDR since 2010 to date. Elected chairperson of the world Heritage Committee 2018 and Member of the Board of Trustees of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration, CRCICA



[Judge Mostafa El Bahabety](#)

Judge Elbahabety is currently deputy Minister of Justice for Arbitration and international disputes and head of the Technical secretariat in both, the High Committee for International Arbitration and the Ministerial Committee for Settlement of Investment Contract's Disputes in Egypt. He is a court member of the International court of arbitration at the International Chamber of Commerce since 2005 on behalf of Egypt. He is Member of Panel of arbitrators and conciliators of the International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) part of the World Bank. Judge Elbahabety succeeded in the settlement of many international Arbitration disputes on behalf of the Egyptian government, in addition to representing Egypt in cases held before the ICSID. He presided and was member at numerous arbitration panels in private arbitration disputes. He conducted a lot of research and attended many courses and conferences in the field of arbitration. He started his career as a public prosecutor and promoted to be a chief prosecutor at the supreme public assets prosecution then moved to the judiciary and worked as judge at the court of first instance till he became a chief justice at the court of appeals. Judge Bahabety holds a post graduate degree in Public law, economic and finance from Ain Shams University. Languages: Arabic and English

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-Head of Arbitration Office – Ministry of Justice

-Date of Appointment in the Judicial Authority: By virtue of the presidential decree issued on 6/2/1999.

-Place of Residence: Madinet Al Sheikh Zayed – Al Eskan Al Hadaeky – Giza.

Academic Qualifications:

-Bachelor of Laws, Cairo University.

-Post Graduate Diploma, Private Law, Faculty of Law, Cairo University.

-Post Graduate Diploma, Judicial Sciences, Faculty of Law, Cairo University – Grade: Good.

-Post Graduate Diploma, Administrative Sciences, Faculty of Law, Cairo University – Grade: Good.

-PHD in the field of International Commercial Arbitration – Grade: Very Good.

Training:

-English Language and Computer Training, British Council in Cairo.

-Training Session entitled “The Practical Problems in Economic Disputes”, National Center for Social and Criminal Research during the period from 15/11/2009 to 25/11/2009.

-Participated in drafting the executive regulation of the Biosafety Law in cooperation with the Ministry of Environment during the period from 26/8/2008 to 28/8/2008.

-Participated in several training sessions related to international criminal judiciary and human rights (The Project of Supporting Abilities in the Field of Human Rights)

-Participated in discussions related to managing the electoral process in Egypt and Arab countries.

-Participated in several conferences related to arbitration under the auspices of the ICC Permanent Court of Arbitration, The Cairo Regional Center for International Commercial Arbitration, and Arab Lawyers Union.

-Member of Economics and Legislation Society.

-Member of the International Law Society.

Experiences in the Judicial Field:

1-Partial Courts and Misdemeanors, handled civil claims, tax evasion claims, direct misdemeanors for refusing the execution of enforceable judgements.

2-Preliminary Courts and Taxation, handled claims for damages, civil contracts, income tax claims, corporate tax claims, tax challenges before preliminary courts.

3-Member of the Technical Bureau of the President of the State Lawsuits Authority, advised in several important cases and obtained a Thank You and Appreciation Certificate.

4-Member of the Department of Values and High Values Courts, and Arbitration; Handled cases for the Custodies Liquidation Body of the Ministry of Finance and the Illicit Gains Body of the Ministry of Justice.

5-Handled important domestic arbitrations (compulsory arbitrations), for example represented the Egyptian government in the arbitration case Onex v. Egypt related to an international arbitration, we obtained an award in favor of the Egyptian government and I was honored by the Egyptian government.

6-Arbitrator in several domestic arbitrations (compulsory and voluntary), and a decree from H.E. Minister of Justice had been issued to approve my appointments as an arbitrator.

7-Member of the Technical Secretariat of the Ministerial Committee for Settlement of Investment Disputes by virtue of the Prime Minister’s decree No. 1810 of 2016.

8-Currently seconded to the Ministry of Justice as “Head of Arbitration office”.

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[Prof. Nassib Ziadé](#)

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Dr. Amr Abbas

Dr. Amr A. Abbas is a Partner and Head of the Arbitration Department at Matouk Bassiouny. Dr. Abbas is also a staff member at the Faculty of Law Cairo University, where he teaches Economic Legislations, and is the academic supervisor of the Faculty's Moot Arbitration. He is also an adjunct professor at the Law & Economics LLM program between Hamburg University and Cairo University. Dr. Abbas acted as a chairman, sole arbitrator and co-arbitrator in CRCICA and ADCCAC arbitrations as well as legal expert in investment treaty arbitration. Prior to joining Matouk Bassiouny, he has worked with White and Case LLP and the World Bank in Washington DC, as well as, Sharkawy & Sarhan and Ibrachy & Dermakar law firms in Cairo. Dr. Abbas has also acted as a legal adviser to the Egyptian Competition Authority and advised the Ministry of Petroleum on the draft natural gas law.

EDUCATION

- University of London, Queen Mary College, Centre for Commercial Law Studies, PhD, Ibrahim Shehata Scholar, London, UK
- The George Washington University Law School, LL.M., Thomas Burgenthal Scholar, Washington DC
- Cairo University, Faculty of Law, LL.M., Cairo, Egypt
- Cairo University, Faculty of Law, English Section, LL.B. with distinguished honors as the highest ranking LLB candidate in the English Section Cairo, Egypt.

REPRESENTATIVE LEGAL MATTERS

Representing a major European manufacturer in an ICSID Arbitration against a North African State and successfully settling the dispute. Successfully representing a major Gulf private equity corporation in an ICC arbitration and obtaining an award of more than USD 60 million plus costs. Successfully representing a major Gulf private equity corporation in an arbitral dispute against an Egyptian prominent business tycoon in a dispute relating to a deadlock between shareholders in a major steel company and obtaining an award of USD 6 million plus several million Egyptian pounds as well as interest and arbitration costs.

Advising a major European oil & gas corporation in several CRCICA and ICSID arbitrations.

Representing a major telecommunication company in CRCICA arbitration relating to telecommunication law and interconnection agreement. Representing a major company in CRCICA arbitration against a cement manufacturer regarding an Agreement for Technical Management, Operation and Maintenance.

Representing a major European Hotel chain in CRCICA Arbitration relating to termination of hotel management agreement. Successfully representing a State in an ICC arbitration concerning the construction of airport and termination of a concession agreement. Representing a State in an ICSID dispute relating to concession agreement.

Advising and successfully representing exporters of polypropylene in the safeguard investigations on imports to Egypt. Advising and successfully representing a mining company in litigation concerning the annulment of its concession.



Ms. Rabab Yasseen

Partner with the Geneva Law Firm Mentha, Ms Yasseen also serves as a Deputy Judge to the Civil Courts in Geneva, Switzerland. She previously held positions in major Law Firms, as General Legal Counsel to the University of Geneva and as a Consultant to the WTO/ITC. She has been acting as Counsel Arbitrator (Sole / Chair / co-Arbitrator) in various arbitration proceedings under ICC, CCIG, Swiss Rules, UNCC, UNCITRAL, CRCICA, DIAC, and CAS Rules with cases mainly relating to environmental, banking, pharmaceutical, energy, franchise, sport, sport sponsorships and construction issues. **She was a Member of the Ad Hoc Division of CAS for Sport Games of the XXXI Olympiad – the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.** She was a member of several panels and associations, including the ICC Arbitration Commission where she was an active member of the task forces on the “Revision of the ICC Rules of Arbitration, and on the “Emergency Arbitrator proceedings”, as well as the IBA task force drafting the Investor-State mediation Rules”. She is also a member of the ILA where she sits on the Committees on International Arbitration as well as Islamic and International Law. Ms Yasseen is a regular delegate to the UNCITRAL Commission and Working Group II & III sessions, on Transparency in treaty-based Investor-State arbitration, the enforcement of settlement agreements She has co-authored both the ITC Contractual and Incorporated Joint Venture Model Agreements and their User's Guide, published in the UNCTAD/WTO Trade Law Series, Geneva in 2004 and 2005. Ms Yasseen holds degrees in Law, History and Literature from the University of Geneva, as well as an LL.M. in International Business Law from King' College, London. She is admitted to the Geneva Bar and as a Solicitor to the Supreme Court (England & Wales).

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THE ROLE OF STATE COURTS IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION

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Fourth Session: The Role of State and Regional Courts in Investment Arbitration



Dr. Karim Hafez (Moderator)

Dr. Hafez is an independent arbitrator specializing in investor-state, international and complex commercial disputes spanning the economic spectrum. He is also regularly called upon to act as expert on the laws of the Arab Middle East before national courts and arbitral tribunals. He does not ordinarily accept counsel appointments. Dr. Hafez has handled cases under most major arbitration rules, including ICSID, ICC, LCIA, AAA, ICDR, DIAC, DIFC/LCIA, LMAA, PCA, LAC, ADCCAC, IICRA, CRCICA, and UNCITRAL – and in most fields of economic activity, including construction, infrastructure, investment, energy, defense, technology, pharmaceuticals, media, broadcasting, telecom, banking, finance, real estate, hospitality, sports, insurance and re-insurance, distributorship and franchises, as well as corporate and joint venture disputes. Formerly, as head of the law firm Hafez, he was regularly instructed as counsel by states, corporations and private investors, Dr. Hafez is regularly acknowledged by industry publications as a leading international arbitration lawyer. He has received recognition in Who's Who of International Arbitration and in the Global Arbitration Review's 45 Under 45. Legal 500 says "Karim Hafez is one of the most knowledgeable and skilled lawyers around... his grasp of the law and strategies are second-to-none"; Chambers and Partners calls him "brilliant ... English-educated, very precise, knowledgeable, well-spoken and generally impressive. Dr. Hafez was educated in Cairo, Cambridge, and Harvard. His PhD, from Cambridge University, is for a dissertation entitled 'Complex Arbitration.' He is fluent in Arabic, English, and French.



Prof. Dr. Mohamed S. Abdel Wahab

Chair of Private International Law Department and Professor of International Arbitration at the Faculty of Law (Cairo University), Founding Partner and Head of the International Arbitration Group at Zulficar & Partners Law Firm, Vice-President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, Vice-President of the IBA Arbitration Committee, Court Member of the LCIA, Member of the CRCICA Advisory Committee, Fellow of the National Centre for Technology and Dispute Resolution at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA. President of the CI Arb's Cairo branch, Member of the CI Arb's Practice and Standards Committee, Member of the CI Arb's Board of Management, Member of the ICDR/AAA International Advisory Committee, Member of the SIAC's African User's Council, Member of the ICCA and the ICCA-QMUL Third Party Funding Task Force, and Member of IBA Investment Arbitration Committee. Holds a number of academic visiting posts in the UK and the USA and is an Associate Member of the Centre for Private International Law at Aberdeen University. Prof. Dr. Abdel Wahab has appeared in cases under the auspices of the AAA, AAA-BCDR, CRCICA, DIAC, DIFC-LCIA, ICC, ICSID, LCIA, LMAA, SCC, SIAC, as well as ad hoc UNCITRAL proceedings. Throughout his appointments as arbitrator, counsel, or expert, Prof. Dr. Abdel Wahab acted in multi-hundred million dollars cases in the telecommunications, construction, oil and gas, investment, hotel management, transport, insurance, and financial sectors. He has also acted in mega disputes involving State and State-owned entities from different countries. Accredited Mediator at the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution ("CEDR"), and holds over fifty-five prizes for academic achievement, and is regularly published in learned international journals. He has been nominated, in two successive years, for the GAR Award for Best Arbitration Speech in 2013 and 2014. In 2018, he received the Swiss Arbitration Association's International Arbitration Global Advocacy Prize, and in 2017 he was voted the Best Legal Practitioner in Egypt by the LAW Magazine. He also features in AFRICA's 100 list of African arbitration practitioners by I-ARB (Africa) and was selected by Africa Arbitration as the African Personality of the Month (June 2018). Recognized as one of the world's leading arbitration specialists, he features in Who's Who Legal: Arbitration and features in the GAR Global Guide for Future Leaders in International Arbitration (2018). The Chambers & Partners Global (2018) ranks him as the STAR individual in Egypt for Dispute Resolution (Arbitration) and states that: "Sources consistently identify Mohamed Abdel Wahab as 'the leading arbitration practitioner in Egypt', adding that he is 'very thorough, very knowledgeable and very personable'". The Legal 500 (2018) stated "'Deep thinker' Mohamed Abdel Wahab has 'a remarkable intellect' and 'impressive advocacy skills'".

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Dr. Karim A. Youssef

"Dr. Karim A. Youssef is the managing partner and head of international arbitration and international law practices at Youssef & Partners, a GAR 100 ranked firm in Cairo, Egypt. His practice focuses on commercial arbitration, investment treaty arbitration and international law.

Karim has acted as counsel, party-appointed or presiding arbitrator in over 103 international arbitrations under a variety of rules, including the ICC, CRCICA, DIAC, LCIA, UNCITRAL, SCC and ICSID. He has also acted in ad hoc arbitrations governed by national laws. Karim represents regional and international clients in high-profile local and regional disputes and large-value claims, across a wide array of industries and key sectors.

Highlights of Karim's counsel work include representing investors in investment treaty claims, including in *Cementos La Union SA & Aridos Jativa SLU v. the Arab Republic of Egypt* and, previously, representing the CBC Channel in commercial claims against Egyptian satirist Bassem Youssef.

Karim also acts as counsel or arbitrator in some of the largest commercial claims arising from the Arab Spring, including in disputes concerning the post-2011 unwinding of Mubarak-era privatization transactions.

His distinctions include, inter alia, Chambers Global (Band 1, dispute resolution – Egypt, 2018); Who's Who Legal: Arbitration (2018); Legal 500 Lead Individual: Arbitration (Egypt) and Arbitration Law Experts (Egypt). Legal 500 (2018) says: "Karim Youssef at Youssef & Partners Attorneys is a leading light in international arbitration and excels in investment treaty matters."

Karim is author of *Consent in Context: Fulfilling the Promise of International Arbitration, Multiparty, Multi-contract and Non-contract Arbitration* (West, 2009–2012; preface by Jan Paulsson), as well as many other articles.

Karim was educated at Yale Law School (where received LL.M. and J.S.D. degrees), the University of Paris and the University of Cairo."



Judge Khaled Fathi

Current Occupation: President at the Cairo Court of Appeal, Commercial Circuit No. 62

Academic History :Bachelor of Law, Faculty of Law, Ain Shams University, 1985

Postgraduate Diploma in Public Law, Faculty of Law, Ain Shams University, 2011

Postgraduate Diploma in International Public Law, Faculty of Law Ain Shams University, 2012

(These two diplomas are equivalent to a MA degree)

Courses: Public Prosecution Training Course, held at the National Center for Judicial Studies, 1994

Training Course for judges, at the National Center for Judicial Studies, 1997

Participation in more than 15 courses and training programs held by the National Center for Judicial Studies in partnership with several international institutes and centers related to commercial cases, judicial system development, management of civil suit, and intellectual property rights.

Previous occupations:

Assistant Public Prosecutor, Public Prosecution

Public Prosecutor, Public Prosecution

Senior class Public Prosecutor, Public Prosecution

Judge at First Instance Courts

Chief Justice of Court (Class B)

Chief Justice of Court (Class A)

Judge at the Court of Appeal

Deputy of the Chief Justice at the Courts of Appeal - President at the Courts of Appeal

Experience:

- Worked at the commercial circuits of the Primary and Appeal Courts as of 1/10/1997 until now.

- Delegated to work at the Technical Office of the Court of Cassation (Commercial and Taxes Group) as of 1/10/2003 until 30/9/2011

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Mr. Alexander J. Marcopoulos

"Alexander Marcopoulos is a Counsel in Shearman & Sterling LLP's International Arbitration practice group in Paris. Mr. Marcopoulos has represented States and private companies in international investment arbitrations under the auspices of the ICSID and UNCITRAL rules, as well as companies in commercial and maritime arbitrations under the auspices of the ICC and LMAA rules. He specializes in disputes arising from construction projects as well as general maritime and shipbuilding disputes.

Mr. Marcopoulos is a graduate of Tulane Law School in New Orleans, Louisiana (J.D.) with a specialization in maritime law, and of New York University in New York (B.A.). He is a member of the New York State Bar. Mr. Marcopoulos is a national of Greece and the United States and he speaks Greek and English."

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Fifth Session: Celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the New York Convention: A Stable and Innovative Pro-Enforcement Instrument of Foreign Arbitral Awards



Prof. Bernardo M. Cremades (Moderator)

BERNARDO M. CREMADES, PhD, FCI Arb, is founding partner of the firm 'B. Cremades y Asociados' in Madrid and a pioneer in the field of international arbitration. His experience centres on international commercial arbitration and investment disputes. Doctor Cremades has participated in some of Spain's most important M&A transactions. He also acts as an arbitrator in domestic and international disputes, including both commercial arbitration and investment protection. He is a member of many professional and international arbitration institutions and is a frequent speaker at international arbitration conferences around the world.



Dr. Emilia Onyema

Dr Emilia Onyema is a Reader (Associate Professor) in International Commercial Law at SOAS, University of London. She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators; qualified to practice law in Nigeria; a non-practising Solicitor in England; and the Alternate Tribunal Secretary of the Commonwealth Secretariat Arbitral Tribunal (London). She is listed on various arbitrator-selection panels including OHADA CCJA, Asian International Arbitration Centre, Kuala Lumpur, Kigali IAC, LCIA and the Abu Dhabi CCAC. She is a member of the court of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce International Arbitration Centre (LACIAC), and member of the Advisory Committee of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA). She has acted as arbitrator under the rules of Kigali IAC and Abu Dhabi CCAC. She convenes the "SOAS Arbitration in Africa" conference series. She has published widely in arbitration related issues and her latest book published by Kluwer Law International is an edited collection on, Rethinking the Role of African National Courts in Arbitration (2018).



Judge Nabil Omran

Judicial Experience

Presiding Judge, 2nd Commercial Circuit, Egyptian Court of Cassation (Cairo, Egypt; September 2017 – Present). Deputy Chief Justice, Egyptian Court of Cassation (Cairo, Egypt; October 2002 – Present). Chief of the General Prosecution before the Court of Cassation, Egyptian Court of Cassation (Cairo, Egypt; July 2015 – July 2017). Deputy Chief Justice (on secondment), Abu Dhabi Court of Cassation (Abu Dhabi, UAE; October 2008 – Present). Counselor, Egyptian Court of Cassation (Cairo, Egypt; October 1999 – September 2002). Counselor, Cairo Court of Appeal (Cairo, Egypt; October 1998 – September 1999). District Attorney, Kuwaiti Public Prosecution Office (Kuwait City, Kuwait; July 1993 – September 1998). Member, Legislation Department of the Ministry of Justice (Cairo, Egypt; October 1992 - July 1993). Appointed as a district attorney, Egyptian Public Prosecution Office (Cairo, Egypt; July 1978). Arbitral Appointments and Experience Appointed as Chairman and party-appointed Arbitrator in several institutional and ad hoc arbitrations since 1999 till present. He was a member of the legislation department at the Ministry of Justice, and a member of the preparatory committee of the draft Egyptian Arbitration law.

Scholarships

Fellow, George Mason University (Virginia, USA; October 1982 – October 1983). Conferences and Seminars Delegate, 244th Session of the Annual Salzburg Seminar on American Law and Legal Institutions, Salzburg Seminar (Salzburg, Austria; July – August 1985). Delegate, Administration of Justice and Constitutional Rights Seminar, organized by the International Law Institute (Washington, D.C., USA; April – May 1987). Delegate, Training Workshop for Arab and African Arbitrators, organized by the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (Cairo, Egypt; 6 – 12 December 1989). Lecturer, The Interim Training for the Afghan Judiciary, organized by the International Development Law Organization (Kabul, Afghanistan; August – September 2003). Speaker, Third Symposium of Arab Judges, organized by the League of Arab States (Cairo, Egypt; 19 February 2004). Lecturer, Training Workshop on The Independence of the Judiciary, organized by International Institute of Higher Studies in Criminal Sciences (Cairo, Egypt and Siracusa, Italy; 2006 – 2007). Lecturer, Training Workshop on the Independence of the Prosecution Office, Women's Rights, Prisoners' Rights and Victims' Rights During Investigation and Post-Trial Litigation, organized by United Nations Development Program (Amman, Jordan and Sana'a, Yemen; 2006 – 2008). Speaker, New York Convention Roadshow, organized by the International Council for Commercial Arbitration and the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (Cairo, Egypt; May 2016).

Publications

Nabil Omran, "The need for ministerial approval for arbitral agreements in Egyptian administrative contracts", World Journal of Arbitration, issue 31-32, July 2016, pp. 651-673. Nabil Omran, "Arbitration Agreement," 2 ABU DHABI JUD. AFF. REV. 32-36 (July 2012). Nabil Omran, The Legal System for Cross Border Insolvency: A Comparative Study (Abu Dhabi Judicial Department, 1st ed. 2013). Nabil Omran, The Egyptian Penal Code and Its Explanatory Notes (Egyptian Ministry of Justice, April 1993). Nabil Omran, "Federal Courts in the United States of America," JUDGES' REV. (July 1987). Several Articles and Search Papers presented to the said conferences.

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Prof. Philippe Leboulanger

Founding Partner, Leboulanger & Associés, France

Philippe Leboulanger, founding partner of Leboulanger & Associés, is an Attorney called to the Paris and Athens Bars. Doctor of Laws (Private International Law), LLM Private Law, LLM Comparative Law, LLM Criminal Law, Mr. Leboulanger is lecturer on International Arbitration at Panthéon-Assas University (Paris II) and former Chairman (2010-2012) of the French Arbitration Committee (CFA). His specialisations include international business law, litigation and international arbitration. He has appeared as Counsel, and has been appointed as Co-Arbitrator, Sole Arbitrator and Chairman of Arbitral Tribunals in numerous international arbitrations (ICC, UNCITRAL, ICSID, CRCICA, DIAC, LCIA, CCJA – OHADA, Ad Hoc) concerning State Contracts, Construction, Sales, Distribution, Investments, Oil and Gas, Transfer of Technology, Joint-Ventures, etc. He is a member of various Panels including the ICC (French Committee); CRCICA (Vice-President, Advisory Committee, Member of the Board of Trustees); DIAC (Member of the Board of Trustees); London Court of International Arbitration; ICC Institute of World Business Law. Lecturer and visiting professor at various universities in Paris, Cairo and Bucharest, Mr. Leboulanger is the author of “Les contrats entre Etats et entreprises étrangères” and has written numerous articles and notes on international arbitration. He has spoken at various conferences and seminars in the UK, Europe, Africa, India, North and South America and the Middle East."



Mr. Thomas Snider

"Thomas R. Snider is a Partner and the Head of Arbitration at Al Tamimi & Co. in Dubai. He has represented corporate entities and sovereign states in a wide range of matters involving international arbitration and other forms of cross-border dispute resolution, including state-to-state arbitration, international commercial arbitration, international investment disputes, and U.S. court litigation. Mr. Snider has represented parties in arbitrations administered by the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA), International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), Dubai International Financial Centre-London Court of International Arbitration (DIFC-LCIA), Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), Netherlands Arbitration Institute (NAI), Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC), and American Arbitration Association (AAA). These arbitrations have involved disputes in a range of industries, including energy, mining, hospitality, automobile manufacturing, telecommunications, and luxury consumer goods, as well as shareholder and joint-venture disputes. From 2001 to 2009, Mr. Snider was a member of the legal team representing the Government of Ethiopia before the Eritrea-Ethiopia Claims Commission, an international arbitral tribunal that adjudicated claims for loss, damage, and injury arising during an international armed conflict. In this context, he worked as a resident attorney in Addis Ababa from 2002 to 2004. Mr. Snider frequently speaks and writes on topics involving international law and dispute resolution. His publications include *Litigating War: Mass Civil Injury and the Eritrea-Ethiopia Claims Commission* (Oxford University Press, 2013) (with Murphy and Kidane). Before relocating to Dubai, he was a Professorial Lecturer in Law at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. Mr. Snider has been recognized twice in *Who's Who Legal's Future Leaders – Arbitration*, a listing of the world's leading international arbitration practitioners under the age of 45. He is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and is a member of the American Society of International Law and the International Bar Association. He is also a member of the Roster of Arbitrators of the Arbitration Institute at the Addis Ababa Chamber of Commerce and Sectoral Associations, the Panel of Neutrals of the Lagos Court of Arbitration, and the Panel of International Arbitrators of the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board. Mr. Snider received his B.A. from the University of Notre Dame and his J.D. from Harvard Law School. He is a U.S. national."

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Sixth Session: State Courts and the Sovereign Immunity against Enforcement of Arbitral Awards



Dr. Nagla Nassar (Moderator)

Dr. Nagla Nassar is Senior Partner at NassarLaw which was established in 1885. Before joining NassarLaw she was Senior partner at a leading Egyptian Law firm which she joined upon her return from the World Bank where she was with the ICSID Secretariat. She graduated from Cairo University and Trinity College where she got her M. Litt and has an LL.M from Harvard University as well as a PhD from Geneva University and the Diploma of The Hague Academy in Private International Law. She has several publications relating to arbitration practice. She has practiced in several jurisdictions and is a member of several bars and arbitration forums including being a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators with many years of experience both as an arbitrator and counsel in institutional and ad hoc arbitration. She acted as counsel in many major disputes in different fields serving both multinationals and Egyptian entities. Also, Dr. Nassar is appointed frequently as an arbitrator and has chaired many tribunals.



Dr. Sally El Sawah

Dr Sally EL SAWAH is a Qualified Lawyer in France & Egypt and a Registered European Lawyer in England and Wales. She is in independent practice and specialises in international arbitration and cross-border litigation. Prior to that, she was working as Senior Counsel at a leading arbitration law firm in Paris where she was handling a wide range of interesting and complex international arbitration and litigation cases.

Dr El Sawah regularly acts as Counsel, Administrative Secretary and Arbitrator in numerous ad hoc and institutional arbitration cases under the auspices of the LCIA, ICC, ICSID, CRCICA, French-Arab Chamber of Commerce, DIAC, CCJA/OHADA, etc.

In addition to her arbitration experience, Dr El Sawah regularly advises and appears as Counsel before Courts, in cases involving States, State Entities, State-owned companies, major multinational companies in the Middle East, Europe, Africa and Asia, in particular for the Enforcement and annulment proceedings of arbitral awards as well as Injunctions and Interim Relief.

Her leading book on State and International Organisations Immunities is "The Reference" for all the specialists on this question. She is the author of many academic articles on International arbitration and State immunities and participates as a speaker and lecturer in international conferences and workshops.

Dr EL SAWAH holds BAs from Cairo and Sorbonne Universities and an LL.M and a PhD from the Sorbonne.

Her working languages are Arabic, English and French.

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Mr. Craig Tevendale

Craig Tevendale is Head of Herbert Smith Freehills' International Arbitration group in London. He has broad experience of international arbitration under all of the leading institutional rules, as well as in ad hoc arbitration. Craig has broad experience across a range of industry sectors and is recognised as a leading practitioner in the energy and projects field.

Craig has many years of contentious experience in international disputes work across a range of jurisdictions. North Africa and the Middle East are areas of particular specialism: Craig has a First Class Honours degree in Arabic, and is often instructed on matters relating to the region, including cases governed by the laws of Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Oman, the UAE, Iraq, Jordan, Iran, Libya, Algeria and Morocco. He is also frequently nominated as arbitrator by parties and institutions in the MENA region.

Craig is a member of The Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration's advisory committee. He is also a member of the ICC's UK National Committee. He frequently publishes on arbitration and energy law, and lectures at the University of London on upstream oil and gas disputes. He is author of the chapter 'Enforcement of awards' in the leading textbook 'Arbitration in England' (Kluwer), and is often instructed in enforcement matters, including actions to enforce Cairo-seated awards in London.



Prof. Paul Lefebvre

Admitted to the Bar in 1985, Paul LEFEBVRE is one of the twenty lawyers of the Belgian Supreme Court (Cour de cassation / Hof van Cassatie) and one of the four founding partners of the law firm HANOTIAU & VAN DEN BERG which was set up in 2001 and is widely recognized as leader in the field of commercial arbitration and litigation. HANOTIAU & VAN DEN BERG won the Belgian legal Award winner of the year both in 2006 and 2007 in the field of ADR & Arbitration. Furthermore, HANOTIAU & VAN DEN BERG is the only law firm from the Benelux to have been included in the GAR 30, the Global Arbitration Review list of the 30 best arbitration practices worldwide, which was released in December 2008.

Paul LEFEBVRE acted as Chairman and arbitrator in several CEPINA arbitrations and ad hoc arbitrations.

Paul LEFEBVRE was assisting professor of Professor Eddy WYMEERSCH and is actually Professor at the Ichech in Brussels in International Commercial Law and Dispute Resolution.

In relation with arbitration his main publications are about the public policy factor in arbitration in B-Arbitra, 2014, as well as the motivation of arbitral awards in Proces & Bewijs, 2015 and the control of the arbitral award by the state judges in the light of public policy in JT Luxembourgeois, 2016. Together with Me C. LAHAYE, he published in 2017 an article "EU Data Protection and the Conflicts of Laws : The Usual "Bag of Tricks" or a Fight against the Evasion of Law" in IADC Defense Counsel Journal 2017, Volume 84, N° 3. In 2018 he wrote with Me D. DE MEULEMEESTER an article entitled "The New York Convention : An Autopsy of Its structure and Modus Operandi" which was published in Maxi Scherer (ed.), Journal Of International Arbitration, Volume 35, Issue 4.

In addition, he is a member of the IADC. He was nominated President of the International Committee from July 2016 until July 2018. He is a regular speaker at IADC- conferences at the regional and annual meetings as well as at the AIA and ABAS.

Paul LEFEBVRE is fluent in English, French and Dutch.

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Prof. Alexandra A.K. Meise

Alexandra (Xander) A.K. Meise is a Partner in MSK’s Washington, DC office, where she represents and advises sovereign governments, state-owned enterprises (SOEs), and private entities in the prevention and resolution of international private and public law disputes. This work has included representing parties before international investment and commercial arbitration panels and U.S. courts, as well as in negotiations between sovereign States and/or with international organizations, NGOs, and private entities. In addition, she has advised governments and multinational corporations on best practices for adhering to international human rights norms and corporate social responsibility standards, and has counseled governments on investment and sustainable development-related legal reforms.

Xander incorporates into her practice her experience work on five continents, including service to an international political development organization, the U.S. State Department, and international criminal tribunals. With a keen interest in sustainable development and natural resources, Xander has counseled clients in numerous extractive sector-related disputes, including matters involving contracts for the exploration, exploitation, and/or sale of natural resources. For example, recently she successfully represented a sovereign in a U.S. court challenge to enforcement of an international commercial arbitration award in an oil & gas concession-contract dispute. Applying the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards, the trial court ruled in favor of the sovereign, holding, inter alia, that to recognize and enforce the arbitration award, which called for the sovereign to specifically perform particular acts with regards to its natural resources, would be a “severe affront to ... sovereignty” and anathema to U.S. public policy.

An experienced lecturer, Xander has trained government officials, practitioners, business leaders, students, and civil society leaders on a host of subjects related to international arbitration, international litigation, public international law and international humanitarian law, and human rights. Xander is also an Adjunct Professor of International Human Rights Law at Georgetown University Law Center, a Fellow of the Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment (a joint center of Columbia Law School and the Earth Institute at Columbia University), and a Political Partner of the Truman National Security Project.

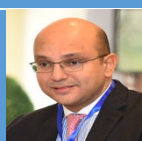
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Inaugural Session



Dr. Ismail Selim

Ismail Selim is the Director of the **CRCICA** and Secretary Treasurer of the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (**IFCAI**). Dr. Selim is also a board member of the African Arbitration Association (**AfAA**), as well as Vice President of the Cairo Branch of the **CIArb**.

He graduated from Cairo University in 1997 with an LL.B., where he also obtained an LL.M in International Business Law from the I.D.A.I in 1999. He then earned his Master's degree in Public Administration from the E.N.A, in Paris in 2001.

He also earned a Certificate in International Commercial Arbitration from Queen Mary University of London in 2005. In 2007, he accomplished an internship program at the ICC Court of International Arbitration. In 2009, he earned his PhD from Burgundy University (France).

Dr. Selim started off his career at the judiciary, until he joined Zulficar & Partners as Senior Associate in 2009 to December 2012, then promoted to Partner and leading member of the International Arbitration Group at Zulficar and Partners in January 2013 to April 2015.

In May 2015, Dr. Selim joined Nour and Selim in association with Al Tamimi and Company as Partner and Head of Dispute Resolution.

Dr Selim teaches Private International Law at the IDAI since 2011 and has taught Arbitration Law and Private International Law in several Universities in Egypt. He also teaches Comparative International Arbitration Law at the Sorbonne University Middle East Laws LLM in Paris since beginning of 2018 and is a full approved tutor in CIArb Approved Faculty List (AFL) since April 2018.

He has been constantly appointed as Presiding arbitrator, Sole Arbitrator and Co-Arbitrator and has acted as a Counsel in various *ad hoc* and institutional cases under various rules such as CRCICA, Swiss Rules, UNCITRAL, the ICC and the DIFC-LCIA. Dr. Selim provides Expert opinions on Egyptian and Libyan Laws in international proceedings.

He is enrolled on the Court of Arbitration for Sport (**CAS**) panel of arbitrators, December 2017 and Board Member of **Francarbi** as of 1st January 2018.

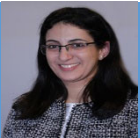
Dr. Selim was recognized as "Leading Individual" by Legal 500 and has published several articles in learned Egyptian and International journals and regularly speaks in international conferences in the field of arbitration and investment.

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Ms. Anna Joubin-Bret

Mrs. Anna Joubin-Bret is the Secretary of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law and Director of the Division on International Trade Law in the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations. She has been appointed on 24 November 2017. Prior to her appointment, Mrs. Joubin-Bret was Attorney-at-law and practiced in Paris. She specialized in International Investment Law and Investment Dispute Resolution. She focused on serving as counsel, arbitrator, mediator and conciliator in international investment disputes. She served as arbitrator in several ICSID, UNCITRAL and ICC disputes. Prior to 2011 and for 15 years, Anna was the Senior Legal Adviser for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). In this capacity, she managed the research and advisory work on international investment law issues as well as the technical assistance program on international investment agreements (IIAs). During her tenure, Anna assisted countries and governments in the formulation of investment policies and frameworks and the management of investor-State disputes. Anna has edited and authored seminal research and publications on international investment law, notably the Sequels to UNCTAD IIA Series. She co-edited with Jean Kalicki a book on Reform of Investor-State Dispute Settlement in 2015. She lectures on international investment law in various universities and institutes all over the world. She holds a post-graduate degree (DEA) in Private International Law from the University of Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, a Master's Degree in International Economic Law from University Paris I and in Political Science from Institut d'Etudes Politiques. She has been Legal Counsel in the legal department of the Schneider Group, General Counsel of the KIS Group and Director-Export of Pomagalski S.A. She has been appointed judge at the Commercial Court in Grenoble (France) and was elected Regional Counsellor of the Rhône-Alpes Region in 1998.



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