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Announces the International Conference

International Arbitration LL.M Alumni Meets Arbitration Practitioners Inaugural Conference – Alumni 2014

PROGRAM

14:45 – 15:00 ***Registration of the participants***

15:00 – 15:15 ***Opening speech***

Flavius A. Baias, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Dean, Faculty of Law, Bucharest University

15:15 – 16:45 ***Section I – Alumni of the International Arbitration LL.M program***

Moderator:

Cristiana Irinel Stoica, PhD, Attorney at Law, „Stoica & Associates” Law Firm, associate lecturer in the International Arbitration LL.M. program, Faculty of Law, Bucharest University

Speakers (2014 Alumni of the International Arbitration LL.M program):

Maria- Ioana Saragea – *“ICSID Awards: Are they absolutely immune from enforcement bars?”*

Alexandru Stănescu - *“International Commercial Arbitration between States”*

Irina Craciun - *“Arbitrability - A national and international review”*

Simona Petre - *“Dispute Resolution in the International Oil and Gas Business”*

Giovanni Pometti - *“Alternative Dispute Resolution in Energy Field”*

Mugurel Mihai Tătaru - *“Standards for granting Interim Measures in International Commercial Arbitration”*

Gabriela Olteanu - *“The Appointment of Arbitrators in Multi-party Arbitration”*

Sevim Gliga - *“Expert Evidence in International Arbitration”*

16:45 – 17:00

Coffee break

17:00 – 18:30

Section II - Guest Speakers on The Role of Experts in International Arbitration

Moderator:

Crenguta Leaua, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Bucharest University of Economics, visiting associate professor in the International Arbitration LL.M. program, Faculty of Law, Bucharest University

Speakers:

Cornelia Bumbăcea, partner, head of Forensic Division, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Romania - *"The role of accountancy experts in arbitration"*

Andrew Grantham, partner, head of EMEA Financial Advisory Services, AlixPartners UK LLP - *"The Added – Value of a Valuation Expert Report in Arbitration"*

Geoff Bewsey, Senior Vice President, Hill International, London, UK – *"Working with technical experts in construction. An expert's view"*

18:30 – 19:00

Questions and answers

DATE

October 1st, 2014, 15:00 – 19:00

VENUE

Faculty of Law, Bucharest University
Amphitheater II "Nicoale Titulescu", ground floor

LANGUAGE

The language of the conference is English. There shall be no translation to Romanian provided.

ATTENDANCE

There is no registration fee to this conference is free. Participants must however register prior to the conference, by sending an email to cristina-elena.pana@drept.unibuc.ro until September 29, 2014, the latest.

Participation is limited to 100 participants, on "first come, first served basis"

About the guest speakers

ANDREW GRANTHAM

Managing Director, Head of Financial Advisory Services for EMEA, ALIX PARTNERS

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Andrew Grantham is an experienced financial and accounting expert with over 18 years experience in financial investigations and as an accounting expert witness. His experience covers many aspects of accounting, valuation and financial matters, including breach of contract and loss of profits claims, minority shareholder and joint venture disputes and claims arising following acquisitions and sales of businesses.

He has given evidence in the High Court, Crown Court and in international arbitrations on a number of occasions. He has given evidence in ICC, UNCITRAL and various ad hoc arbitrations around the world. His work over the last 20 years has included audit, corporate finance due diligence, internal audit and corporate recovery liquidity appraisals.

Prior to joining AlixPartners, Andrew was a director in the Forensic department of KPMG and led their Engineering and Construction team. Previously, he was in the Disputes Analysis and Investigations team with PriceWaterhouseCoopers in London.

Andrew graduated with honours with a BSc degree in mathematics from Nottingham University. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and currently a Governor, Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Treasurer of the Expert Witness Institute. He is also the Money Laundering Reporting Officer for AlixPartners in the UK.

GEOFF J. BEWSEY BSc ICIQB

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Geoff J. Bewsey has over 37 years of experience in engineering and construction, working in design, contracting and consultancy. He has been appointed on numerous occasions as planning and programming expert on disputes in the UK, Europe and the Middle East and has given oral evidence in arbitration on five occasions.

Building on his experience in planning and managing projects, he specialises in programming and analysis of delay and disruption to complex projects. He has developed robust methods for data management and interrogation which enable preparation of comprehensive as-built programmes, progress and productivity analysis and the quantification of delay and disruption in engineering works.

Geoff moved into consultancy in 1999, drawing on his management and commercial experience in construction to assist and advise clients on project management, dispute avoidance and bid management. He has assisted clients to establish record and control systems to enable responsive.

CORNELIA BUMBACEA

Cornelia Bumbacea is a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) in the UK and a member of the Romanian Chamber of Financial Auditors. She is also a member of National Association of Romanian Valuers (ANEVAR/UNEVAR).

She is an Advisory Partner with PWC Romania, with more than 22 years of professional experience with a Big 4 firm. She is the PWC partner directly responsible for Transaction Services, Business Recovery Services and Dispute Analyses & Investigations in Romania. She is also the PWC Private Equity leader for the South East Europe Region.

Over the last 20 years, she has been the engagement partner for more than 300 advisory projects, as well as forensic and dispute resolution projects. Cornelia was the executive responsible for a number of forensic projects, such as: bribery and fraud investigations, FCPA and compliance reviews, corporate intelligence, background searches, transaction related and commercial disputes and expert determinations.

Cornelia also assisted a number of high profile private investors in complex deals /advisory assignments in various sectors, such as: power and utilities sector, media and entertainment sectors, diversified industrial products, consumer goods and retail sector.