

# Catherine Green

Catherine is the Executive Director of the New Zealand International Arbitration Centre (**NZIAC**) as well as its related domestic registry services which cover a full spectrum of commercial, building and construction, and family and relationship disputes. She also has her own private practice as an arbitrator, adjudicator, and mediator taking appointments with respect to both commercial and construction disputes. Prior to specialising in the design and delivery of private dispute resolution processes, Catherine practiced as a commercial litigator both onshore and offshore in New Zealand, London, and the Cayman Islands, gaining extensive experience in a wide range of matters, involving fraud, insolvency, contractual, financial services, tax avoidance and regulatory issues. These matters have included, among others, acting for liquidators of a Madoff-affected investment fund in relation to its investment and related large-scale litigation claims arising from the Madoff fraud, advising in relation to Royal Commission, Serious Fraud Office, and Securities Commission Inquiries, and acting for clients on a variety of commercial disputes across the globe covering the Asia-Pacific, Europe, the Middle East, the Americas, the Caribbean, and Africa. Catherine writes and presents frequently on a wide range of matters relating to private dispute resolution practice. Catherine graduated with both a BA and an LLB from the University of Auckland and also holds both Graduate and Postgraduate Diplomas in Business Studies and Administration specialising in dispute resolution. She is a current Masters of Law candidate (international law).

## DAY 1

09:00

### Registration & Morning coffee

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### Opening & Welcome

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10:10

Beata Gessel-Kalinowska vel Kalisz, Conference Chair, GESSEL, Poland

Cezary Wiśniewski, ICC Poland, Linklaters, Poland

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### ICC Court Welcome Address

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Alexander G. Fessas, ICC International Court of Arbitration, France

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### Session I: Hot topics in M&A arbitration

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- Impact of impecunious party on arbitration agreement
- Post M&A ESG disputes - sources; is the arbitration a fitting forum?

- Interim relief around M&A: emergency arbitrators limiting state courts?
- W&I Insurance: procedural challenges in arbitration dealing with ‘insurance towers’
- Share Transfer Agreement + Shareholders’ Agreement + Accession Agreement – How does Cour d’appel de Paris interpret the parties’ agreement to arbitrate in the case of multiple arbitration clauses.

**Moderator:**

Alicja Zielińska-Eisen, YAAF, Queritius, Poland/Germany

**Panellists:**

Christian Borris, Borris Hennecke Kneisel, Germany

Joanna Kisielińska-Garncarek, GESSEL, Poland

Joanna Kolber, Strelia, Belgium

Dr. Ioana Knoll-Tudor, Addleshaw Goddard, France

Annet van Hooft, van Hooft , France

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## Coffee break

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## Howden M&A Case study: Insuring Known Legal Risks in M&A Transactions

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Drew Naylor, Howden, United Kingdom

Edward Copeman, Howden, United Kingdom

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## Session II: Dialogue between counsel on legal nature of M&A award

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- Price adjustment made by the tribunal
- Is the award declaratory or constitutive and what are its practical effects?
- Interests computation

**Moderator:**

Mary Mitsi, Queen Mary University of London, United Kingdom/Greece

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## Dentons M&A Case study: From the transaction closing party to the post closing hangover

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14:00

Michał Jochemczak, Dentons, Poland

Dominika Karsznia, ValueMind, Poland

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## Lunch

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15:00

15:00

## Keynote speech: The paradigm of arbitration - yesterday, today and tomorrow - Yves Derains in conversation with Beata Gessel

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Yves Derains, Derains & Gharavi, France

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## Session III: Voice of reason or hired gun? The independence and impartiality of party-appointed experts in M&A disputes

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- The difference between party-appointed and tribunal-appointed experts
- The role of geography
- The role of soft laws
- Expectations of the parties and the tribunal

### Moderator:

Mark Kantor, , USA

### Panellists:

Folashade Alli SAN, Folashade Alli and Associates, Nigeria

Luminita Popa, Suciu Popa, Romania

Alexander Demuth, , Germany

Renato Nazzini, King's College London, United Kingdom/Italy

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## Gala Dinner

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Venue - Look Up! Skyliner building, 67 Prosta Street (upon separate registration)

## DAY 2

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## Morning coffee

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## Opening & Welcome

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Beata Gessel-Kalinowska vel Kalisz, Conference Chair, GESSEL, Poland

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## Special Guest

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**Special Guest's address: The Permanent Court of Arbitration: 125 years of Peace through Justice**

Marcin Czepelak, Permanent Court of Arbitration, Netherlands

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## Presentation: M&A Arbitration in Wartime under the SCC Rules

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Jake Lowther, SCC Arbitration Institute, Sweden

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## Clifford Chance Case Study: Is it a case for an expert or arbitrator? Financial disputes under M&A contracts

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Adelina Prokop, Clifford Chance, Poland

Moritz Keller, Clifford Chance, Germany

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## Session: M&A Arbitration in Wartime - Breaking up is never easy

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12:45

- M&A disputes risks when exiting high-risk jurisdictions
- Case studies from jurisdictions in the Middle East, Eastern Europe and Africa

**Moderator:**

Bartosz Krużewski, Clifford Chance, Poland

**Panellists:**

Timur Bondaryev, Arzinger, Ukraine

Joshua Kelly, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, United Kingdom

Steven Finizio, Wilmer Hale, United Kingdom/USA

Jacob Enoch, M. Firon&Co. Advocates, Israel

Judith Mulholland, Baker McKenzie, UK

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## **Closing of the conference**

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12:50

Beata Gessel-Kalinowska vel Kalisz, Conference Chair, GESSEL, Poland

**...and yes, bubbles and strawberries!!**

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14:00

## **ICC YAAF: Decoding the ESG: Passing Buzzword or Future Frontier for Dispute Lawyers?**

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