

# Bartłomiej Woźniak

Bartłomiej Woźniak is a member of GESSEL's M&A practice. He advises on complex corporate merger and acquisition processes, including LBO and MBO transactions. He works with private equity and venture capital funds as well as with strategic investors. Before joining GESSEL, he gained professional experience at a leading international law firm. During his studies, Bartłomiej contributed to the Legal Clinic of the Warsaw University and the Property Law Clinic of the Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights. Graduate of the Faculty of Law and Administration at the University of Warsaw (2013); also completed a degree in finance and accountancy at the Warsaw School of Economics and courses at the Centre for American Law Studies operated by the University of Warsaw in co-operation with the University of Florida. Currently a doctoral student at the European Legal Tradition Department of the Faculty of Law and Administration of the University of Warsaw. Author of publications and speaker at conferences devoted, among other topics, to harmonization of private law.

## DAY 1

09:00

### Registration & Morning coffee

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### Opening & Welcome

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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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Michał Jochemczak, Dentons, Poland

Dominika Karsznia, ValueMind, Poland

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## Lunch

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## **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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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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