## **India Johnson**

President and Chief Executive Officer American Arbitration Association/ International Center for Dispute Resolution Ms. Johnson is President and CEO of the AAA/ICDR. As Chief Executive Officer, she has responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the organization as well as strategic initiatives and she is a member of the Board of Directors of the American Arbitration Association as well. Ms. Johnson is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA), a member of the Council, the International Federation of Commercial Arbitration Institutions (IFCAI), is on the board of trustees of the Foundation for International Arbitration Advocacy, and is a member of Arbitral Women. Ms. Johnson has participated in numerous organizations and efforts supporting alternative dispute resolution and has assisted various state legislatures, courts and other organizations in learning about or implementing dispute resolution programs. She has made many presentations to business executives, advocates and neutrals regarding arbitration and mediation and has authored articles for both legal and business audiences. Over the years, Ms. Johnson has mediated a number of AAA arbitration cases and other cases to settlement and has also served on volunteer arbitrator panels on non-binding arbitrations of small-claims cases administered by other organizations. Ms. Johnson earned her B.A. from the University of Miami and an M.B.A. from Georgia State University.

#### DAY 1

09:00

## Registration & Morning coffee

10:00

10:10

## Opening & Welcome

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

Cezary Wiśniewski, ICC Poland, Linklaters, Poland

10:10

## **ICC Court Welcome Address**

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

10:20 11:30

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

- 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'

#### **Moderator:**

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

#### **Panellists:**

Christian Borris, Borris Hennecke Kneisel, Germany

Joanna Kisielińska-Garncarek, GESSEL, Poland

Joanna Kolber, Strelia, Belgium

11:30

## Howden M&A Case study

11:50

Drew Naylor, Howden, United Kingdom

Edward Copeman, Howden, United Kingdom

11:50

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

13:00

- 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

13:00

#### Lunch

14:00

14:00

## **Dentons M&A Case study**

14:20

Michał Jochemczak, Dentons, Poland

14:20

15:00

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

Yves Derains, Derains & Gharavi, France

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

- 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 Collage London, United Kingdom/Italy

16:10

### **Treats & Meads**

19:30

#### **Gala Dinner**

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

#### DAY 2

09:00

## **Morning coffee**

10:00

Opening & Welcome

10:05

10:00

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

10:05

## **Special Guest**

10:35

Special Guest's address: The Permanent Court of Arbitration: 125 years of

#### Peace through Justice

Marcin Czepelak, Permanent Court of Arbitration, Netherlands

10:35 10:55

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

Jake Lowther, SCC Arbitration Institute, Sweden

10:55

## **Clifford Chance Case Study**

11:15

11:15 12:45

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

- 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

12:45

## Closing of the conference

12:55

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

...and yes, bubbles and strawberries!!