



International Arbitration Certified Program

WEEK 1: Fundamentals of International Arbitration

Opening session (April 29th):

- speech of the Director of the Research and Strategic Studies Center, LAF.
- Speech of the Dean of the Faculty of Law, Political and Administrative Sciences at the Lebanese University/International Arbitrator, Dr. Habib Kazzi.
- Speech of the Secretary General of the LAMC/International Arbitrator, Me. Rayan Kouatly. (15 min)
- Speech of His Excellency the Lebanese Minister of Justice, Mr. Adel Nassar (30 min)

Session 1: The Legal Concept of Arbitration, Fundamental Features, Regulatory Framework and Neighboring Methods of Dispute Resolution. (**April 29**th)

Lecturers: Chebib Mokalled (PhD /Judge / International Arbitrator) & Samer Abdallah (Professor of Law, Lebanese University / ADR Expert).

Session 2: Domestic Arbitration v. International Arbitration (**April 30**th)
Lecturer: Marie-Line Karam, Professor of Law, Lebanese University / Accredited Arbitrator, CEDRAC EU.

WEEK 2: The International Commercial Arbitration Landscape

Session 3: International Commercial Arbitration v. International Investment Arbitration. (May 5th)

Lecturer: Rayanne Assaf (PhD Private Law, Arbitration, Pantheon Assas University/Attorney at Law) & Nayiri Boghossian (Nayiri Boghossian International Arbitrator/Counsel)

Session 4: Ad-hoc v. Institutional Arbitration (May 8th)

Lecturer: Christelle Matta (Lawyer, Beirut Bar Association / International Arbitrator)

WEEK 3: The International Arbitrator

Session 5: Role, Educational Background and Know-How (May 13th)

Lecturer: Fathi Fahouri, Professor of law, Petra University - Jordan /International Lawyer - Jordan Bar Association / International Arbitrator

Session 6: Arbitrator's Rights and Obligations (May 15th)

Lecturer: Zeina Obeid (Partner, Obeid & Partners / International arbitrator)

WEEK 4: Ethical Skills

Session 7: Independence and impartiality of the Arbitrator (May 20th)

Lecturer: Rami Smayra, Partner at Smayra Law Office / International Arbitrator)

Session 8: Fighting corruption in Arbitration (May 22nd)

<u>Lecturer:</u> Abed Al Aziz Al Nahfawi, Lawyer, Riyadh Bar Association - KSA / Prima Law Consultation company -Riyadh / International Arbitrator

WEEK 5: The choice of International Arbitration

Session 9: The Arbitral Seat (May 27th)

Lecturer: Charbel Moarbes, Managing Partner, Moarbes LLP / New York, Paris and Beirut Bar Associations, International Arbitrator)

Session 10: Multi-tiered Clauses (May 29th)

Lecturer: Georges Boustany, Senior Associate, Clifford Chance Riyadh / International Arbitrator

WEEK 6: The Arbitration Agreement

Session 11: Content and validity of the Arbitration Agreement in Comparative Law (**June 3**rd) Lecturer: Tala Zein (PHD, assistant Dean at the faculty of law and political science at BAU)

Session 12: Drafting the International Arbitration Agreement (**June 5**th)

Lecturer: Walid Kassir, Professor of Law at St. Joseph University Law School / Attorney at Law/Legal Advisor, Founding Partner, Kassir Law Center (Beirut) / International Arbitrator

WEEK 7: The Arbitral Tribunal

Session 13: Constitution and challenge of the arbitral tribunal (June 10th)

Lecturer: Ali Rahal. Professor of Law, Lebanese University / Founding Partner, Rahal Law Firm / International arbitrator

Session 14: The commencement of the arbitral proceedings - Practice Exercise (**June 12**th) Lecturer: Ezzeddine Baassiri, Founding Partner, Baassiri Law Firm / International Arbitrator

WEEK 8: The Arbitral Proceedings

Session 15: The conduct of the arbitral proceedings (the taking of evidence, hearings....) (**June 17**th)

Lecturer: Jean-Yves Gontier, Professor of Law / Lawyer, Paris Bar Association / Accredited Arbitrator, Chartered Court of Arbitration- New York

Session 16: Emergency arbitration (June 19th)

Lecturer: Jean-Yves Gontier, Professor of Law / Lawyer, Paris Bar Association / Accredited Arbitrator, Chartered Court of Arbitration- New York

WEEK 9: Procedural Issues

Session 17: Interim Measures (June 24th)

Lecturer: Rana Kahwaji, Partner, Alem & Associates / International Arbitrator

Session 18: Complex proceedings and multi-party issues (making procedural orders) (**June 25**th)

Lecturer: Zouhdi Yakan, Partner, Law House-Abu Dhabi / International arbitrator (via Zoom)

WEEK 10: The Arbitral Award

Session 19: Typology and efficiency of arbitral award (**First of July**)
Lecturer: Charbel Moubarak, International Arbitrator-Consultant Engineer

Session 20: Writing the Award - Practice Exercise (July 3rd)

Lecturer: Chebib Mokalled (PhD /Judge / International Arbitrator) & Rania El Khoury (Lecturer, Saint Joseph University / Partner, Abou Jaoude & Associates / International Arbitrator)

WEEK 11: Challenge and Enforcement of the Arbitral Award

Session 21: The enforcement of the foreign arbitral award (July 8th)

<u>Lecturer:</u> Khaled Akacha, Judge, International Arbitrator, Head of the International Arbitral Court-Jordan

Session 22: The challenge of the award (July 10th)

<u>Lecturer:</u> Habib Mezher, PhD / Judge, President of the Commercial Court of Appeal-Beirut, Lebanon

WEEK 12: Arbitration in Specific Sectors

Session 23: Arbitration in banking disputes (**July 15**th)

Lecturer: Dr. Anis Oueidat/ Director of Legal Affairs Department - Union of Arab Banks & Me. Mazen Ghosn/ partner, Alem & Associates / International Arbitrator

Session 24: Construction Arbitration (July 17th)

Lecturer: Mr. Mohammad Said Fatha/ international arbitrator / Consultant Engineer

WEEK 13: Trends in Arbitration

Session 25: Online Arbitration (July 22nd)

Lecturer: Myriam Eid, Head of Arbitration & ADR, Rashed Raja Al-Marri Law Office (Qatar)/ International Arbitration Lecturer (via Zoom)

Session 26: Third-party funding (July 24th)

Lecturer: Habib Kazzi, Dean, Faculty of Law and Political Science - Lebanese University / Senior Legal Consultant & Lawyer, Paris Bar Association / International Arbitrator

Written Exam: A practical case (4 hour) (July 29th)