



## **A one day symposium on international commercial arbitration**

**presented by  
the LCIA Latin American and Caribbean Users' Council  
and the LCIA North American Users' Council**



**Saturday 1 March 2008**

**The Four Seasons Hotel – Mexico City**

## INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION

An effective system of arbitration, whether pursuant to commercial contracts or investment treaties, has long been recognised as a vital element in the promotion of trade, foreign investment and, ultimately, international relations. Panels of eminent and experienced international arbitration practitioners will give brief presentations on the most important areas of international commercial arbitration, critical to establishing and maintaining an arbitration-friendly environment, in which the international business community may have confidence. There will be particular emphasis on the Americas.

Following the presentations, delegates are invited, and encouraged, to participate in discussions of the issues raised and to debate topics of their own, which they will be asked to submit in advance.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Arbitrators, in-house counsel, practitioners, academics and members of the local and international business community interested in, and affected by, current developments and best practice in the field of international arbitration, particularly as it relates to Latin and North America and the Caribbean.

### IF YOU WISH TO ATTEND

Please complete the registration form and send by fax to the LCIA Conference and Membership office +44 (0) 20 7936 7009. Numbers will be restricted to preserve the effectiveness of the format and early registration is therefore recommended.

### CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

For delegates from countries where CPD / CLE is mandatory, the LCIA will be pleased to provide a conference certificate of attendance which, subject to the exact CPD / CLE requirements, may be used to obtain the equivalent accreditation in your jurisdiction. This symposium qualifies for 5 hours CPD / CLE.

### SYMPOSIUM DOCUMENTS

Participants will collect their folder and name badge from the registration desk at the symposium venue.

### ACCOMMODATION

We have a number of rooms on hold at the Four Seasons Mexico for the nights of 29 February and 1 March, for single or double occupancy, from US\$205 per night. The room charges are subject to all applicable taxes at the time of the event. An accommodation form will accompany our letter confirming your delegate place.

### REGISTRATION FEE AND PAYMENT

The delegate's registration fee is **US\$495.00/£250.00**, and covers:

- symposium documentation
- the working sessions
- tea/coffee breaks
- lunch
- cocktail reception

Payment may be made by the following methods:

- credit or debit card
- bank transfer

If paying by bank transfer, please instruct your bank to make the transfer 'free of charges to LCIA' and to quote your name and 'Mexico Symposium'.

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### SYMPOSIUM VENUE

#### The Four Seasons

Paseo de la Reforma #500, Colonia Juárez  
México, D.F., Mexico 06600

09.00 - 09.40 **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**

09.40 - 09.45 **WELCOME**

David W Rivkin Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, New York  
President, LCIA North American Users' Council

09.45 - 11.00 **SESSION A: GETTING THE BASICS RIGHT**

**The agreement to arbitrate; the type of arbitration; rules; seat**

Introductory remarks by session Chairs:

Prof José Maria Abascal Councillor, LCIA Latin American and Caribbean Users' Council  
Member, LCIA Court

Sandra Morelli Legal Director, The Colombian Coffee Growers' Federation, Bogotá  
Councillor, LCIA Latin American and Caribbean Users' Council

Open forum discussions

11.00 - 11.30 **COFFEE/TEA**

11.30 - 12.45 **SESSION B: THE TRIBUNAL**

**Training, selection and appointment of arbitrators; conflicts of interest; challenges**

Introductory remarks by session Chairs:

Abby Cohen Smutny White & Case LLP, Washington DC  
Dr Claus von Wobeser von Wobeser y Sierra SC, Mexico DF  
Councillor, LCIA North American Users' Council

Open forum discussions

12.45 - 14.15 **LUNCH**

14.15 - 15.30 **SESSION C: PRACTICAL GUIDANCE IN CONDUCTING AN ARBITRATION**

**Avoiding delays and how to do things better**

Introductory remarks by session Chairs:

Henri C Alvarez Fasken Martineau, Vancouver  
Vice President, LCIA North American Users' Council  
Member, LCIA Court

Dyalá Jiménez Figueres Carey y Cia, Santiago

Open forum discussions

15.30 - 16.00 **COFFEE/TEA**

16.00 - 17.15 **SESSION D: JUDICIAL INTERVENTION AND THE ROLE OF LOCAL COURTS**

**Support, not interference; interim measures; challenges and enforcement of Awards**

Introductory remarks by session Chairs:

Gilberto Giusti Pinheiro Neto, São Paulo  
Member, LCIA Court

Lawrence S Schaner Jenner & Block LLP, Chicago  
Secretary, LCIA North American Users' Council

Open forum discussions

17.15 **CLOSING REMARKS**

Adrian Winstanley Director General, LCIA

followed by **COCKTAIL RECEPTION**

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## Cocktail reception – Saturday 1 March 2008

I shall be attending the reception: Yes/No (*delete as applicable*)

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