The 2019 edition of the Investment Arbitration Masterclass is an interactive training that will guide the participants through the main stages of investment arbitration under the rules of the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC), the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) and the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). The training will also include comprehensive coverage of the complex topic of determination of damages and strategic communication. Upon completion of the training, participants will gain the practical skills and know-how necessary to navigate an investment arbitration process successfully.

Core topics of the training will include:

- Preparation of a request for arbitration and discussions on Procedural Order No 1;
- Investment arbitration practice and procedure under the SCC, including the role of the emergency arbitrator;
- Investment arbitration practice and procedure under the PCA and UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules;
- ICSID arbitration and conciliation rules and their practical application;
- Determination of damages: when to invite economic experts, who from the company should be involved, setting realistic compensation targets in the context of international investment arbitration;
- Strategic communication.

Participants will witness how the different stages of an investment arbitration process work in practice. They will engage in discussions on the assessment of damages and drafting strategic communications. Participants will also benefit from mock exercises, which will allow them to simulate an arbitration process under the guidance of senior legal professionals.

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Knowledge Stream I: Procedural issues

Participants will have the chance to learn, discuss and put into practice the basic stages of a typical investment arbitration process taking into account the particularities of arbitration under the SCC Arbitration Rules (including the role of the emergency arbitrator), UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (with the PCA’s administrative support), as well as ICSID arbitration process.

There will be real-life exercises that will enable the participants to be fully familiar with the main stages of an arbitration process. Senior officials from PCA, SCC, ICSID and renowned senior investment lawyers will be the participants guide throughout this comprehensive masterclass.

Knowledge Stream II: Assessing damages and determining strategic communication priorities

For many practitioners, damages are the most important and least understood area in investment arbitration. Therefore, the fourth day of the training will focus on the complex issues that arise in assessing damages and compensation in the context of international investment arbitration. In addition, some key recommendations on strategic communication in investment disputes will be provided. Participants will have an open discussion with highly experienced damages experts and lawyers, who will also engage participants in a stimulating mock exercise.

Who should attend

This training programme is designed to bring together around 30 participants from governments, associations, private sector and other relevant professions including legal practice and academia. Participants should have a genuine interest in investment arbitration proceedings, although previous experience is not essential. Information on previous trainings is available here.

Registration

Interested candidates are invited to submit the registration form by 30 October 2019. The registration form can be downloaded here. Completed registration forms, or requests for further information should be sent by email to training.programme@encharter.org.

Payment

Participation in the training is free of charge for government officials. The participation fee for candidates from non-government categories is 1000 Euro per participant. This covers the cost of all course materials during the four days, orientation sessions, lunches and coffee breaks. Participants are expected to cover the cost of their accommodation and travel to Brussels.

Teaching and workshop materials will be in English. No interpretation is provided. All materials presented during the Training Programme by instructors constitute the opinions of the instructors themselves and not necessarily the opinion of the Energy Charter Secretariat. The latter cannot be held liable in any ways for the information provided during the course. All materials are subject to copyright regulations and cannot be reproduced in any form without consent. Payment of the registration fee is required in order to secure a place in the training. In the event you are unable to participate and you notify us in writing on or before 30 October 2019, payment will be refunded minus an administrative fee of Euro 500. In case of no show, no refund will be made. The Secretariat reserves the right to change or modify the agenda and instructors participation without prior notice.