



Arzinger gathered young legal practitioners to discuss the importance of evidences in international arbitration at the ICC Young Arbitrators Forum in Kiev

On 14 November 2012 the Young Arbitrators Forum (YAF) of the International Chamber of Commerce held its first Kiev event on “Understanding the value of evidence in international arbitration” hosted by the Arzinger Law Office.

The event was an ideal platform for young legal practitioners to exchange ideas on international arbitration and expand the network of their contacts in the region.

The Kiev YAF gathered over 60 international arbitration practitioners from Ukraine, CIS countries and the European Union.

Gary Born, Partner, Chair of International Arbitration Practice Group, Wilmer Hale (London, UK) was a special guest and keynote speaker at the Forum. He has undoubtedly been one of the world’s leading experts in the field of international arbitration for the past 15 years and the best lawyer practicing arbitration in London. In exclusivity for the Kiev YAF participants, he conducted an interview session to give the audience a unique opportunity to ask the top-level star questions on international arbitration.

The YAF conference was opened by Alina Leoveanu, Deputy Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration (Paris, France) and Markian Malskyy, Partner, Head of Arzinger’s West Ukrainian Branch, Head of Alternative Dispute Resolution (Arbitration) Desk at Arzinger. They welcomed the Forum participants and noted the urgency and growing popularity of international arbitration in settling disputes.

The speakers at the YAF were Francesca Albert, Of Counsel, Herbert Smith LLP (Moscow, Russia); Volodymyr Yaremko, Associate, Arzinger (Lviv, Ukraine); Alina Leoveanu, Deputy Counsel, Deputy Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration (Paris, France) as well as Karl Pörnbacher, Partner, Hogan Lovells LLP (Munich, Germany). The event was moderated by Markian Klyuchkovskyy, Partner at Egorov Puginsky Afanasiev and Partners (Kyiv, Ukraine).

The YAF focused, in particular, on the following topics:

- Cultural diversity in evidence presentation
- Document production: an irreplaceable tool in capable hands
- Importance of documentary and electronic evidence: these are facts that win cases
- Successful direct and cross-examination or how to make it as easy as it is in the movies
- Role of party and tribunal-appointed experts in arbitration: modern answers to old issues

During the event, participants actively asked questions to the speakers sharing their experiences and opinions, and suggested new topics for discussion.

At the end of the YAF, the ICC representative thanked all the participants for the active discussion and fresh ideas and expressed their gratitude to Arzinger for the assistance in organizing this event in Kiev.

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