

ICC PRAGUE ARBITRATION DAY 2019

**DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES ON ARBITRATION:
IN-HOUSE COUNSEL, ATTORNEYS,
ARBITRATORS AND EXPERTS**

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09:00–09:30	REGISTRATION / REFRESHMENTS	
09:30–09:40	OPENING WORDS BY ORGANIZERS	
09:40–10:00	KEYNOTE SPEECHES Miloš Olík, Chairman at National Committee of the ICC Czech Republic Živa Filipič, Managing Counsel at ICC International Court of Arbitration	
10:00–11:15	PANEL 1	THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY. WHAT HAS ARBITRATION DONE FOR YOU? Michal Čáp Metodi Baykushev; Jörn Schmidt; Michelle Sindler; Petr Skalský
11:15–11:45	COFFEE BREAK	
11:45–13:00	PANEL 2	FOREIGN SUBSTANTIVE LAW IN ARBITRATION: HOW TO ASCERTAIN, HOW TO APPLY Jan Brodec Živa Filipič; Catherine Anne Kunz; Rostislav Pekař; Justyna Szpara
13:00–14:30	LUNCH BREAK	
14:30–15:45	PANEL 3	PRICE ADJUSTMENT EVALUATION IN POST-M&A DISPUTES Sirshar Qureshi Karolína Horáková; Ioana Knoll-Tudor; Amanda Neil; Robert Némec
15:45–16:15	COFFEE BREAK	
16:15–17:30	PANEL 4	TAKING EVIDENCE IN INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION: CEE SPECIFICS René Cienciala Richard Baček; Lisa Beisteiner; Moritz Keller; Lucia Raimanová
From 18:00	EVENING COCKTAILS <i>(Held at the venue – hotel Ambassador Zlata Husa)</i>	

FOREWORD

Dear participants, distinguished speakers and guests,

We would like to welcome you warmly to Prague for the ICC Prague Arbitration Day 2019. This is our second year and we hope that the event will be an even greater success than in 2018, when we had pleasure of hosting more than 100 participants from 18 countries.

As the headline for this year suggests, we will examine arbitration from the different angles which each player has. In-house counsel, attorneys, arbitrators and experts can have different views and needs at various stages of the process.

In addition, to benefit the most from the extensive knowledge and experience of our speakers, we hope you will actively participate in the discussion, and also enjoy our networking breaks, lunch, and the cocktail reception at the end of the day.

We believe that Prague is an excellent venue for international arbitration. We have experienced arbitrators, counsel, as well as interpreters and translators and other support staff here. From our own experience, having arbitration in Prague costs parties much less compared to London, Paris or Vienna.

The Prague Arbitration Day is, however, not the only activity of the Commission on International Arbitration of the ICC Czech Republic. At the end of 2018, we conducted research into users' experience with arbitration and mediation. Some data will be shared with you by Panel 1, and it will be interesting to see the experience and comments users from the Czech Republic had compared to those quoted by various global surveys. Users need a respected and continuously evolving institution, which the ICC certainly is. From a legal point of view, an up to date *lex arbitri* is very important too. This is something which we will keep debating within the local arbitration community – how to adopt a new Arbitration Act, which would ideally be based on the UNCITRAL Model Law.

We are grateful for your continuous support and your decision to spend the whole day with us. We are happy that especially our foreign attendees have travelled to Prague for the conference, and maybe also for a little sightseeing during the coming weekend. In the evening, we look forward to toasting ICC's 100 year anniversary with you, as well as the 20 year anniversary of the ICC Czech Republic.

Enjoy the ICC Prague Arbitration Day 2019 and see you next year at the latest.

Miloš Olík

Chairman at National Committee of the ICC Czech Republic

Dušan Sedláček

Chairman at Commission on International Arbitration of the ICC Czech Republic

MILOŠ OLÍK

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Miloš Olík is the head of the dispute resolution desk at the ROWAN LEGAL law firm. His practice focuses on arbitration proceedings, investment disputes, international commercial arbitration and various forms of alternative dispute resolution (mediation, negotiation).

Miloš has extensive experience in arbitration proceedings under the rules of different institutions, for instance the International Chamber of Commerce in Paris (ICC), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), the Swedish Chamber of Commerce (SCC), the Arbitration court attached to the Czech Chamber of Commerce and the Agricultural Chamber of the Czech Republic, the Court of Arbitration of the Slovak Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the rules of the UN Commission on International Law (UNCITRAL). In this field he has led legal teams representing countries in investment disputes and multinational corporations in international commercial arbitration.

Miloš has worked as an arbitrator in over 150 arbitrations and is listed as an arbitrator with the Arbitration court attached to the Czech Chamber of Commerce and the Agricultural Chamber of the Czech Republic and the world's leading institutions (CIETAC, LCIA, VIAC, HKIAC). He is the Chairman of the Council of Arbitrators of Football Association of the Czech Republic and is a member of many professional associations and organizations. He is active in those fields dealing with alternative dispute resolution in the framework of the International Chamber of Commerce.

Miloš has been listed in an independent publication Who's Who Legal: Arbitration – Future Leaders 2019, based on a survey among clients and lawyers around the globe. Miloš has been also highly ranked by Chambers and Partners – He is listed in between ranked experts in Dispute Resolution area in Global Guide and between "Arbitration Counsels" and Most in Demand Arbitrators" in Europe Guide.

He is the author or co-author of many publications, such as Commentaries on the Law on Arbitration Proceedings and Enforcement of Arbitral Awards (1st and 2nd edition), Commentary on the New York Convention, an addition to prestigious chapters covering the Czech Republic in the ICCA Handbook of Commercial Arbitration, Commentaries on the Mediation Law and prestigious chapter focused on Czech Republic in ICCA Handbook on Commercial Arbitration.



DUŠAN SEDLÁČEK

**Chairman at Commission on International Arbitration
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Dušan Sedláček is an attorney-at-law and a partner at HAVEL & PARTNERS law firm (Prague), a registered mediator, and an arbitrator. He specialises in litigation and arbitration focusing on disputes arising from complex transactions and other complicated cases, further on mediation in commercial matters, and on insolvency proceedings and corporate restructurings. He is recommended as a leading Czech expert on dispute resolution and insolvency by the international publications Chambers and Partners and Legal 500. Dušan Sedláček is also a leading expert in contractual law and co-authored the commentary on this area for the Czech Civil Code. He has extensive experience with disputes concerning financial transactions, engineering, construction as well as transportation, protection of cross-border investments, and proceedings concerning annulment of arbitral awards, recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards, or out-of-court settlements. For example, in international investment arbitration (ICSID), he represented a major Slovak bank in a dispute concerning the restructuring of the Greek state debt. He is an alumnus of the Faculty of Law at Charles University in Prague (Master of Laws, 1997).



MODERATOR

MICHAL ČÁP

**Senior Associate at ROWAN LEGAL
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Michal Čáp is a senior associate / attorney-at-law (2012) working with ROWAN LEGAL. Michal specialises in the field of international arbitration and dispute resolution. He successfully completed his LLM (Arbitration & Dispute Resolution) at the University of Hong Kong (2014). He acquired his first master's degree (Mgr.) in the Faculty of Law at Charles University in Prague (2009). Michal is also a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb) and is also the Vice-Chair of the CIArb's European Branch (since 2018). Michal Čáp has been listed in the Arbitration Future Leaders 2017 to 2019 ranking, jointly organised by Who's Who Legal and GAR (Global Arbitration Review). Michal is included in the list of arbitrators of VIAC (Vienna), and he is a member of the Council of Arbitrators of the Football Association of the Czech Republic (he has served already as a sole arbitrator and also a chair of the tribunal). Michal previously gained experience in offshore jurisdictions. He has also been a trainee in international arbitral institutions (HKIAC, ICC – both in Hong Kong). Last but not least, Michal publishes and lectures on the topic of international arbitration and dispute resolution.



SPEAKERS – BIOS

METODI BAYKUSHEV

**Secretary General at ICC Bulgaria
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Metodi Baykushev is managing partner at Dimitrov, Petrov & Co., Head of the Dispute Resolution Practice Group. He is an expert in commercial disputes resolution, international arbitration and state court litigation with international elements and has extensive experience in the areas of commercial contracts, international sales, debt collection, insolvency proceedings, medical malpractice, public procurement, and construction law. He has over 12 years of experience in advising and representing major companies from various industries in court and arbitration disputes, DAB procedures under the FIDIC Books and administrative procedures. Metodi is a member of the KRIB Court of Arbitration, DRBF, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR, Secretary General of ICC-Bulgaria. He is also an assistant professor in Business Law at the American University in Bulgaria.



JÖRN SCHMIDT

**Head of Commercial Litigation at NOKIA
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Jörn Schmidt is Nokia's global head of commercial litigation and is based in Munich, Germany. In this capacity, he is overseeing all major commercial legal disputes of the Nokia group, including international arbitration proceedings, court litigation as well as ADR procedures. In this capacity, Jörn resolved a long lasting dispute with a partner in the Middle East in a 100+ MEUR ICC arbitration, won a multi-million ICC arbitration against a Central Asian state company, settled several critical disputes (aggregate dispute value around EUR 500 mil.) as negotiator or supervisor and turned a copyright infringement dispute into a sales cooperation with an R&D subcontractor.

Before assuming his current role, Jörn served Nokia, Nokia Siemens Networks and Siemens AG in various legal management positions such as heading the regional legal team in Europe & Latin America as well as advising his clients in M&A, transformation and structured finance projects. Jörn started his legal career as an associate in the Munich office of SKW Schwarz.



MICHELLE SINDLER

**Alternate Court Member at ICC International Court of Arbitration
Independent Arbitrator
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Michelle Sindler is an internationally regarded arbitrator working in Australia, the Asia-Pacific and in Europe. She has almost 30 years' experience at partner level in international dispute resolution with major law firms in Australia, Switzerland and the UK and has acted as counsel and arbitrator in international arbitrations under both common law and civil law regimes under various arbitral rules and ad hoc. Michelle regularly publishes and lectures on arbitration and ADR topics and has also been the secretary-general of Australia's arbitral institution ACICA. Michelle works in English, French, Italian and Czech. Since July 2018, Michelle is the alternate member for the Czech Republic on the ICC International Court of Arbitration.



PETR SKALSKÝ

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Petr Skalský is a headquarters lawyer (in-house) at Metrostav a.s. He focuses mainly on legal support of the Metrostav Group international business, which includes legal matters stretching from establishment of suitable legal entities in various target countries to private and public construction and employment law, public tenders, negotiation with investors and trade disputes. Previously, he practised real estate and construction law as an attorney with a major Czech law firm, and before that with an Austrian Prague-based law firm.

Petr earned his law degree in 2003 and an International Area Studies degree in 2005 at Charles University in Prague, and also studied in Richmond, Virginia. Other than law, he likes to play music on his bass guitar.



JAN BRODEC

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Jan Brodec is an arbitrator, expert witness in questions relating to foreign law, partner at the law firm BRODEC & PARTNERS s.r.o. and a senior lecturer at Charles University, Faculty of Law, Private International Law.

Jan acts as a member of the Commission on International Commercial Arbitration (ICC Czech Republic). Jan is listed as an arbitrator with several domestic and international arbitration institutions such as the Arbitration Court attached to the Czech Chamber of Commerce and the Agricultural Chamber of the Czech Republic and at the Czech Commodity Exchange Arbitration Court, Council of Arbitrators of the Football Association of the Czech Republic and the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC). On top of that he is a court-appointed expert in matters related to foreign law. Jan is a partner of the law firm BRODEC & PARTNERS s.r.o. He holds an LL.M. in European Private International and Corporate Law from the University of Konstanz, Faculty of Law, in Germany. Jan obtained his Ph.D. at Charles University, (Prague, Czech Republic) Faculty of Law, where he is currently acting as senior lecturer and senior researcher focusing mainly on International Business Law, International Arbitration and International Insolvency Law.



ŽIVA FILIPIČ

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As managing counsel of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, Živa oversees and coordinates the work of the ICC Court Secretariat's case management teams in Paris, New York, Hong Kong, São Paulo and Singapore. She previously acted as counsel in charge of the case management team dealing predominantly with cases from the Eastern Mediterranean and the Gulf regions, which followed her work in the Eastern European and North American case management teams.

Prior to joining ICC, she worked as an associate on the Banking and Finance team at Schoenherr Rechtsanwälte Attorneys at Law in Vienna, and as legal counsel at the Bank of Slovenia. She is a qualified Slovenian lawyer and holds an LL.M. in International Business and Commercial Law from King's College London (KCL).



CATHERINE ANNE KUNZ

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Catherine Anne Kunz is a counsel at LALIVE in Geneva, Switzerland. Catherine is dual-qualified in Switzerland and in England and Wales (solicitor) and specialises in international arbitration, in particular in the energy, telecommunications and construction sectors.

Catherine is a member of the editorial board of the *ASA Bulletin*, the Swiss Arbitration Association's journal, is currently co-chair of the Swiss Arbitration Association's below 40 group (ASA below 40) and is also active as regional representative (Europe) for the LCIA Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG). Catherine has been listed in Who's Who Legal: Arbitration – Future Leaders in 2017, 2018 and 2019.



ROSTISLAV PEKAŘ

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Rostislav Pekař is a partner in the Paris and Prague offices of Squire Patton Boggs and co-head of its global investment arbitration practice. He specialises in international and domestic dispute resolution, with a focus on commercial and investment arbitration and complex litigation. He has advised in more than 50 international arbitration matters before the ICC, ICSID, VIAC and SCC, as well as in ad hoc arbitrations. Rostislav has been listed as a leading individual for dispute resolution in all major international legal guides. He is fluent in Czech, English, French and Polish and has a good working knowledge of Russian, Spanish, Croatian and Serbian.



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Justyna Szpara is a partner at Łaszczyk & Partners and head of the firm's Dispute Resolution Practice Group. She specialises in arbitration and litigation. She is also vice president of ICC Poland, president of the Arbitration Commission of ICC Poland and a fellow member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Justyna is a listed arbitrator for Poland's largest court of arbitration – the Court of Arbitration at the Polish Chamber of Commerce and Lewiatan Court of Arbitration. Her experience includes counseling in high profile domestic and international arbitrations and litigations as well as post-arbitration litigations and being an arbitrator or presiding arbitrator in more than 70 proceedings. She has also advised in investment arbitrations. Justyna is recommended among leading individuals in numerous rankings.



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Sirshar leads PwC's Dispute Advisory Centre of Excellence for CEE/CIS. He has specialised in forensic services for over 22 years and his experience covers many aspects of accounting and financial matters, including loss of profits claims, construction claims, claims arising following acquisitions and sales of businesses.

Sirshar has prepared many expert reports for local arbitrations and courts and for international arbitration assignments, and regularly testifies in international arbitration cases. He has been instructed to act as an expert on behalf of claimants, respondents, the prosecutor's office and for tribunals; has been involved in commercial and investor / state disputes and in criminal proceedings; and has been asked to act as an expert determinant on Share Purchase Agreement disputes.



KAROLÍNA HORÁKOVÁ

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Karolína Horáková has been an attorney-at-law since 1994. She was an associate at Weil, Gotshal & Manges from 1993, and partner from 1999. Karolína graduated from the Charles University Faculty of Law, and Pace University New York (BA). She is a member of the arbitration commission of the International Chamber of Commerce International Court of Arbitration in Paris (ICAICC), and arbitrator of the Arbitration Court attached to the Czech Economic Chamber and the Czech Agricultural Chamber in Prague. She teaches financial law at the Charles University Faculty of Law in Prague. Karolína is regularly mentioned by prestigious publications monitoring the Czech legal market as a leading expert on dispute resolution. She speaks English and Russian.



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Amanda specialises in international commercial and investment arbitration focusing on financial, corporate, commercial, telecommunications, energy and major projects matters.

She acts both in proceedings conducted under the rules of the major arbitration institutions and in ad hoc proceedings. She has also gained considerable experience as a tribunal secretary and acts as arbitrator.

Prior to developing her expertise in dispute resolution, Amanda spent many years as a transaction lawyer acting in finance and corporate matters.

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He obtained a Master's degree (Mgr.) in law from the Faculty of Law at Charles University in Prague in 1995. Between 2005 and 2007 Robert completed an International Practice Diploma Program at the College of Law of England and Wales and received an International Practice Diploma in Corporate Law, M&A, Capital Markets and Loans. In 2009 he completed his postgraduate studies and obtained a Master of Laws degree (LL.M.) in US and Global Business Law from Suffolk University Law School in Boston, Massachusetts (US).

Robert is an attorney-at-law and vice-president of the Czech Bar Association. He is an arbitrator of the Exchange Court of Arbitration at the Prague Stock Exchange, and the Arbitration Court attached to the Economic Chamber of the Czech Republic and Agricultural Chamber of the Czech Republic. He was also recently named an arbitrator of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC). He is a member of the International Bar Association.



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She advises and represents clients in international commercial and investment proceedings and complex cross-border transactions and she acts as arbitrator. Before joining Jeantet, she practised in GIDE's Warsaw and Budapest offices for 8 years and acted as consultant for the WTO and UNCTAD.

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Richard Baček has been working since 2009 for Siemens as General Counsel for Czechia, later he held the same position for Slovakia and Romania. Prior to 2009, Richard worked in international law firms in Prague specializing in M&A, Corporate, Litigation and Public Procurement. Since 2007, Richard has been a member of the Appeal Committee of the Czech National Bank and since 2013 he has been chairing the Disciplinary Committee of the Czech Football Association (League Football Association).



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Lisa Beisteiner is a partner at zeiler.partners and an expert in national and international dispute resolution, with a strong focus on international arbitration and litigation. She regularly sits as an arbitrator in proceedings under the VIAC and ICC Rules and frequently acts as counsel, representing clients in arbitration proceedings as well as before the Austrian courts. She advises clients in all industries with a recent focus in the fields of energy, competition, construction, international trade, consumer goods and telecommunications. Drawing upon her extensive expertise, she also advises foreign and national parties in drafting complex contracts and in negotiating settlements. Lisa Beisteiner regularly lectures at international conferences and has authored numerous publications in her field.



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Moritz Keller is an arbitration partner in the Frankfurt office of Clifford Chance. He represents clients in commercial arbitration proceedings and investment arbitration proceedings.

Moritz acts for individuals, companies and corporates, the public sector and states in arbitration proceedings under the ICSID, ICC, UNCITRAL, DIS, Austrian Chamber and many other arbitration rules. Moritz regularly handles matters in both public international law and a variety of domestic laws. In addition to his German background, Moritz is intimately aware of the intricacies of the CEE, CIS and Austrian markets as, before joining Clifford Chance, he acted as head of a leading international arbitration practice in Vienna, Austria. Many of his proceedings hence have a focus on Germany, Austria, Switzerland and the CEE or CIS region.

While regularly representing clients in post-M&A disputes, clients also often reach out to Moritz because of his in-depth knowledge of the energy (gas, renewables, electricity), infrastructure, construction and banking sectors. He has also been instructed repeatedly in the pharmaceutical and consumer goods industries. Many of Moritz's cases are of a high-profile, sector-defining nature. Moritz is a member of a number of arbitration institutions and sits on the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR as well as the ICC Commission on Energy and the Environment. He is also an accredited mediator on the Energy Community Panel of Mediators. Moritz is part of the faculty of the University of Passau (Germany), where he regularly lectures on matters of investment arbitration and EU law. He frequently publishes and lectures on a variety of subjects within his expertise.



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Lucia is a solicitor-advocate of England & Wales and a counsel in Allen & Overy's International Arbitration Group. Before relocating to Bratislava in June 2016 to lead the firm's arbitration practice within Central and Eastern Europe, Lucia practised with the firm for ten years in London, Hong Kong and Moscow. Lucia has extensive experience in international commercial and investment treaty arbitration under all the major arbitration rules, spanning numerous jurisdictions and sectors. She also sits as arbitrator.

Lucia has been repeatedly named by Who's Who Legal as a Future Leader in International Arbitration and is ranked by the Legal 500 among next generation lawyers (Band 1).



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The ICC is – and has been throughout its long existence – a steadfast rallying point for those who believe that strengthening commercial ties among nations is good not only for business but also for global living standards. The ICC was founded in 1919. Today, it represents 6.5 million companies and associations in more than 130 countries. The ICC Czech Republic has been providing its services for 20 years (since 1999). Its wide portfolio of activities includes international conferences, territorial workshops and seminars, professional courses and consulting services. The ICC Czech Republic also cooperates with various international institutions and arranges meetings with foreign trade partners.



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The International Court of Arbitration is the world's leading arbitral institution. Since 1923, it has administered over 24,000 cases and has helped resolve difficulties in international commercial and business disputes to support trade and investment.

The Court provides parties with a flexible and neutral setting for dispute resolution. It offers confidentiality and extraordinary freedom for parties to choose the framework for how and where they want to resolve their dispute. While the dispute itself is resolved by independent arbitrators, the Court supervises the process from beginning to end, increasing the quality of the process and enforceability of the awards.

Members of the ICC Court are appointed by the ICC World Council on the proposal of national committees and groups. To date, the Court has 180 appointed members from over 100 jurisdictions. The Court members' diverse professional, legal and cultural background brings richness to the Court's daily work and decision-making process.

The Court's Secretariat, headed by a Secretary General, comprises a permanent staff of more than 80 lawyers and administrative staff of 37 different nationalities who speak as many languages.

The Secretariat is divided into case-management teams, seven based in Paris, one in Hong Kong, one in New York, one in São Paulo and another one in Singapore.



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ROWAN LEGAL is one of the leading Czech and Slovak law firms, was founded in 1990 and can now offer clients over 27 years of experience. Its clients include the largest national and international corporations and public institutions, to which the firm provides comprehensive legal support in key projects.



ROWAN LEGAL is particularly recognized for expertise in IT and media, dispute resolution (litigation and arbitration), telecommunications, privacy and data protection, corporate law and commercial law, intellectual property and competition (including public procurement).

ROWAN LEGAL is regularly highly ranked by prestigious international and national legal directories for its TMT and IT law practice, dispute resolution and public procurement.

Thanks to its long-term presence in the international market for legal services, ROWAN LEGAL has become an exclusive member of MULTILAW for the Czech Republic and Slovakia. MULTILAW has been ranked among top 10 global networks by The Chambers Global Guide 2018.

ALLEN & OVERY – ARBITRATION PRACTICE

Allen & Overy is recognised as one of the world's leading international arbitration practices. The firm can act as counsel in international arbitrations under any legal system, anywhere in the world. Allen & Overy has experience in conducting arbitration proceedings under all of the major institutional and procedural rules, including the AAA, HKIAC, ICC, ICSID, LCIA, SCC, SIAC and UNCITRAL rules. In addition, it has substantial regional and industry-based institutional experience, such as with CEPANI, CIETAC, DIS, FIAC, GAFTA, KLRCA, NAI, WIPO, CAS and UNCLOS, as well as with the Vienna, Milan and Hungarian Chambers of Commerce Rules.

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HAVEL & PARTNERS, with offices in Prague, Brno and Bratislava and contact points in Olomouc and Ostrava, has a team of almost 200 lawyers, more than 100 associates and 500 employees, including employees of the affiliated collection agency Cash Collectors. It is the largest independent law firm in Central Europe.

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HAVEL & PARTNERS has the largest team of dispute settlement attorneys in the Czech Republic and Slovakia and the most successful and comprehensive legal practice on the local market. The firm provides extensive expertise in all types of proceedings and most business areas.

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We are a local law firm with more than 20 years of domestic and international experience. Our clientele typically consists of medium and large Czech and international enterprises representing the full spectrum of industry, commerce and services. We also advise private clients and businesses equally. We are proud of our many long-term engagements, which prove the excellent level of our services.



Our main areas of expertise include arbitration, business law, company and corporate law, competition law, criminal law, intellectual property, international private law, labour law, litigation, real estate law and tax law. We regularly act as counsels and sit as arbitrators. Our lawyers are fluent in Czech, English, German and Russian with a working knowledge of Spanish. Our main professional memberships include AEA International, CIArb, DiS, International Bar Association, ICC Czech Republic and the Swiss Arbitration Association.

PRK PARTNERS

PRK Partners is a leading law firm and holder of significant international and national awards. The firm has been active on the market for twenty-five years now, and has become a full service law firm with offices in Prague, Bratislava and Ostrava. The firm's specialised teams of legal practitioners and tax advisors provide services to the largest global corporations, as well as to local companies.



PRK Partners has extensive experience in representing clients in domestic and also international arbitration under different rules. It is familiar with disputes in this area from both perspectives – as legal advisors, but also as arbitrators – the leading partners of the firm's team are recognised and frequently sought-after arbitrators of local and foreign arbitration bodies.

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CEE/CIS DISPUTE ADVISORY CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

PwC Czech Republic is a member of the worldwide network of firms employing over 250 thousand people in 158 countries. We in PwC strive to build trust and find solutions to important issues within the entire society. We provide high-quality auditing, tax, legal and consultancy services. The PwC CEE/CIS Dispute Advisory Centre of Excellence is located in Prague, Czech Republic, and comprises forensic specialists with extensive experience in resolving complex matters in dispute. Our strength comes from combining our forensic accounting, valuation, economics, tax and technology expertise with a global network of industry specialists, enabling us to tailor our services to our clients' specific needs and to provide complex solutions to all matters in dispute. The purpose of the Centre is to coordinate efforts of the partners and teams across the CEE and CIS region, and globally, to ensure a consistent high quality of dispute related services.



CLIFFORD CHANCE

Clifford Chance is one of the world's pre-eminent law firms, with significant depth and range of resources across five continents. As a single, fully integrated, global partnership, the firm prides itself on its approachable, collegial and team-based way of working.



GLOBAL ARBITRATION PRACTICE

Clifford Chance has built a global structure across its network of 33 offices, housing a cross-jurisdictional team of arbitration experts spread across all major arbitration centres. The team includes the Chair of the LCIA Board, and a former Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration and Director of ICC Dispute Resolution Services, who drafted the 2012 ICC Rules of Arbitration. Clifford Chance offers a closely integrated team of arbitration specialists combining local knowledge with global expertise. Arbitrations are increasingly more customized to specific industry sectors. Clients come to our team for the additional knowledge provided by our sector-specific experts.

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