26th World Forum of Mediation Centres
Meet the Officers of the World’s Leading Commercial Mediation Centres

ZURICH SWITZERLAND
Friday, March 8 & Saturday, March 9, 2019
With a welcome evening cocktail on Thursday, March 7

Forum organised by the UIA with the support of the Swiss Chambers’ Arbitration Institution (SCAI), the Swiss Chamber of Commercial Mediation (SCCM), the Swiss Federation of Mediation Associations (SDM-FSM) and the Swiss Bar Association (SAV-FSA)
The World Forum of Mediation Centres was created in 2001. It brings together the best commercial mediation practitioners and ADR centres from around the world, together with managers, academics, teachers, trainers, young practitioners, and all those interested in learning more about mediation.

The Forum takes place every 9 months in different countries around the world. It fosters the exchange of views on the development of ADR, enhancing knowledge, and best practices, giving new ideas, ensuring the best understanding of ADR, and learning from other cultures.

This 26th Forum promises to be again very exceptional because it will be the opportunity to gather experiences, ideas, observations about development of mediation and make comparison to enhance our knowledge and our practice. Do not miss this opportunity to meet with your colleagues, other professions connected to mediation practices, and other cultures.

Zurich is a town to discover, a mediation discovery, a place to have a great Forum.

The various sessions of the Forum will be again stimulating and attractive, bringing together managers interested in the understanding and development of mediation for their companies, experienced and younger mediators, lawyers, academics, judges, students who are our future decision makers.

Do not miss this opportunity to learn and enhance your knowledge and practice about mediation.

The 26th Forum will be an unforgettable international event. Practitioners from the USA, Australia, China, Africa and Europe have already confirmed their participation.

Mark your diaries now, save the dates and make sure to register!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Zurich!
Friday, March 8, 2019

08:30 – 09:00  Registration of Participants
Hotel Krone Unterstrass
Schaffhauserstrasse 1, CH-8006 Zurich, Switzerland

09:00 – 09:30  Welcome and Opening of the Forum
• Issouf BAADHIO, UJA President, Past President of the Burkina Faso Bar, Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso
• Fabienne VAN DER VLEUGEL, President of the UJA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Lawyer at the Meaux and New York Bars, Mediator, VDV Avocats, Serris, France
• Dr. Regine SAUTER, Director of the Zurich Chamber of Commerce, President of the Swiss Chambers’ Arbitration Institution, Member of the Swiss Parliament, Zurich, Switzerland
• Urs HAEGI, President of the Swiss Bar Association (SAV-FSA), Bern, Switzerland

09:30 – 10:45  THE SWISS DISPUTE RESOLUTION LANDSCAPE
This session will enlighten the status of judicial, institutional and ad hoc mediation in Switzerland
Moderator and co-speaker:  • Fabienne VAN DER VLEUGEL, President of the UJA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Lawyer at the Meaux and New York Bars, Mediator, VDV Avocats, Serris, France
Speakers:
• Jean-Christophe BARTH, Co-President of Swiss Chamber of Commercial Mediation, Bern & Geneva, Switzerland
• Andrea STAUBLI, President of the Swiss Federation of Mediation Associations (SOM-FSM), Bern, Switzerland
• Urs WEBER-STECHER, Attorney-at-law, Partner, Wenger & Vieli AG, member of the Arbitration Court of the Swiss Chambers’ Arbitration Institution (SCAI), Zurich, Switzerland
• Roman MANSER, President of the Mediation Commission of the Swiss Bar Association (SAV-FSA), Bern, Switzerland

10:45 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00  ARB – MED – ARB
Med-Arb is good, but the new Arb-Med-Arb or AMA may be better! Alternative/amicable dispute resolution has recently added a very important concept to give some teeth to its structure and provide for outcomes in order to fully resolve disputes in a fair, cost effective and timely efficient manner. How does it work? Who is/are the neutral(s), can it/should it be the same person? With what kind of specific rules/opting out? What kind of clause needs to be used and which kind of process: institutional or Ad Hoc? Should it be reserved to commercial disputes or can it also be applied to a.o. family, labor, inheritance or investor state matters? The session will be interactive, extremely practical and related to experiences already performed with AMA processes.
Moderator and speaker:  • Birgit SAMBETH GLASNER, President of the UJA Swiss National Committee, Vice President of the Swiss Bar, LL.M., Altenburger LTD Legal, International Accredited Mediator, Geneva, Switzerland
Speakers:
• Professor Dr. Renate DENDORFER-DITGES, Attorney and Mediator, DITGES, Bonn, Germany
• Anne-Karin GRILL, Attorney-at-Law and Mediator, Vavrovsky Heine Marth Rechtsanwälte GmbH, Member of the Board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb/Aut), Vienna, Austria
• Alexander VON ZIEGLER, Attorney-at-Law and Mediator SKWM/SAV/CEDR, Partner at Schellenberg Wittmer Ltd, Professor at the University of Zurich, Zurich, Switzerland

12:00 – 13:00  ENHANCE YOUR MEDIATION SKILLS THROUGH A LEARNING EXPERIENCE
This interactive and skill-based session, with participation from the audience, will create a true “learning experience” enabling you to do a better job while serving as mediator.
Moderator and speaker:  • Jeff ABRAMS, Full-time Attorney/Mediator, Houston, TX, USA
Speaker:
• Additional Speaker to be confirmed

13:00 – 14:30  Lunch

14:30 – 15:30  THE SINGAPORE CONVENTION: OPPORTUNITY OR THREAT FOR COMMERCIAL MEDIATION?
Working Group II of the United Nations Commission on International Trade (UNCITRAL) has approved a Convention aimed at the enforceability of mediated settlement agreements, to be executed by various states in August 2019. Many practitioners have welcomed the Convention as a new day in the acceptance of mediation as a reliable and enforceable instrument for international commercial dispute resolution. Others have voiced concern that the Convention undermines, or even contradicts, generally accepted mediation practices. This panel will explain the Convention’s provisions, walk through the anticipated commercial advantages, and “red-flag” some concerns.
Moderator and speaker:  • F. Peter PHILLIPS, Business Conflict Management, Distinguished Adjunct Professor at New York Law School, Montclair, NJ, USA
Speakers:
• Katarzyna PRZYLUSSKA-CISZEWSKA, Advocate and mediator, Warsaw, Poland
• Stefano PAVLETIĆ, Business consultant, Mediator and Arbitrator, Studio Pavletić, Milan, Italy

15:30 – 15:45  Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:45  SCAI NEW SWISS RULES OF COMMERCIAL MEDIATION 2019
This session will be THE opportunity to be informed about the NEW 2019 SWISS RULES OF COMMERCIAL MEDIATION and to ask questions.
Moderator and speaker:  • Caroline MING, Executive Director & General Counsel, Swiss Chambers’ Arbitration Institution (SCAI), Geneva, Switzerland
Speaker:
• Kirstin DODGE, J.D., Counsel, Attorney-at-law, Homburger AG, Zurich, Switzerland

16:45 – 17:45  DISPUTE PREVENTION IN THE SPOTLIGHT
“Melius prevenire quam curare”, also the ancient Romans suggested that a timely action helps to avoid bigger problems at a later date. There is a growing emphasis on the use of dispute management techniques at an early stage to reduce the risk of being involved in long and complex factual conflicts. How and when to use specific ADR tools for that purpose and what are the best contractual environments in which dispute prevention might be most effective are relevant issues, as well as to understand how the parties require their relationship to be regulated and whether the prevention is always better than the cure.
Moderator and speaker:  • Stefano PAVLETIĆ, Business consultant, Mediator and Arbitrator, Studio Pavletić, Milan, Italy
Speakers:
• Monique VAN DE GRIENDT, Director Dialogue BV, Bussum, The Netherlands
• Diana PARAGUACUTO-MAHÉO, Lawyer at Paris, Madrid and New York Bars, Foley Hoag, Paris, France

20:00  Optionnal Dinner
LIMMATOF Restaurant
Limmatstrasse 217, CH-8005 Zurich
Will mediation become obligatory? Should it? Why? Where is it already so? Is this “good” or “bad”? What are the advantages, if any, to requiring mediation? Is this not contrary to mediation, itself? This session will give the audience an international view of the matter, and the Swiss approach to mandatory mediation clauses in contracts will be detailed and studied.

Moderator: • Jeff ABRAMS, Full-time Attorney/Mediator, Houston, TX, USA
Speakers:
• Catherine LECLERCQ, Attorney, Mediator, Member of the Paris Bar Council, Armand Avocats, Expert nearby the European Bar Council, Paris, France
• Pasquale ORRICO, Arlenghi Agostini Avvocati, Mediator at InMediazione ADR, Milan, Italy
• Katarzyna PRZYLSUKA-CISZEWSKA, Advocate, Certified Mediator of RICS and ADR Group in London, President of the Mediation Center by the Polish Bar Council, Warsaw, Poland
• Julia JUNG, Attorney at Law, LL.M., Mediator SAV/FSA, Associate with Bär & Karrer AG, Zurich, Switzerland

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00 RECENT DEVELOPMENT OF MEDIATION AND ADAPTATION TO MODERN AND CURRENT NEEDS:

IP mediation – Administrative mediation – Financial services mediation: “The new Mediation Organism under the Swiss Financial Institutions Act”

Moderator and speaker: • Cezary ROGULA, Attorney-at-Law (Polish Bar), Accredited Mediator, Joint Ph.D. Candidate, Adw. Cezary Rogula Law & Mediation Office, Krakow, Poland

Speaker:
• Jennifer LYGREN, Internal Auditor, Mediator, Geneva, Switzerland

12:00 – 13:00 EXPERTISE AND MEDIATION

Expertise of many kinds is needed throughout mediation. How can we connect judicial expertise with judicial/ad hoc mediation? How an independent attorney invited in a mediation process can help the mediator and the (non-represented) parties? What are the various steps to be taken for being well prepared and have credible figures to discuss in mediation process. The speakers of this session will evoke those various subject matters and study them with a pragmatic viewpoint.

Moderator and speaker: • Fabienne VAN DER VLEUGEL, President of the UIA World Forum of Mediation Centres, Lawyer at the Meaux and New York Bars, Mediator, VDV Avocats, Serris, France

Speakers:
• Laurent HIRSCH, Attorney at Law, Chair of the ADR Committee of the Geneva Bar Association, Geneva, Switzerland
• Bruno P. GOMART, Senior Adviser Contract Management, MAREEX Consulting SA, Lausanne, Switzerland

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 15:30 ECONOMICAL AND MARKETING CONCEPTS APPLIED TO MEDIATION

Mediation process seen (or considered) upon economical and marketing concepts: demand and product/service.
- About demand, what are the real expectations? How mediation could encounter them? Is judicial mediation a compromise between justice and bargaining?
- About the product/service: why a so-called “win/win” solution seems difficult to sell to opponents?
- Is there a market of mediation? What does it look like?

Moderator and speaker: • Gérard KUYPER, President at bMediation, ALTERYS Law & Mediation, partner, Brussels, Belgium
Speakers:
• David LUTRAN, Lawyer, Mediator, Lutran & Associés, Paris, France
• Thiurugendam BC, Advocate and Mediator, Honorary Director, Bangalore International Mediation, Arbtration and Conciliation Centre, Bangalore, India

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:45 USERS OF MEDIATION

This session gives the floor to enterprises. A unique opportunity to understand how business leaders consider mediation, and to be described the concrete field vision.

Moderator: • Jean MARGUERAT, Florie Legale SA, Geneva, Switzerland
Speakers:
• Torsten BARTSCH, Associate General Counsel, Law, Security and Public Policy/Legal Services Division, Caterpillar Sarl, Geneva, Switzerland
• Laurent DEVELLE, Of Counsel, Attorney at Law, Avocat à la Cour de Paris, Florie Legale SA, Geneva, Switzerland
• Franz WIEHLER, Mediator, Co-Founder of the Group-internal Conflict Management Network and Partner Operational Audit, Siemens AG, Erlangen, Germany

16:45 – 17:45 DISPUTES WITH CHINESE PARTIES: CAN MEDIATION BE A GAME CHANGER?

Chinese culture is known for being non-confrontative and seeking face-saving solutions. Yet, the dispute landscape in Asia has been changing and Chinese parties do not hesitate anymore to make use of litigation or arbitration to defend their commercial interests. Is commercial mediation maybe the way to reconcile Chinese traditions and modern dispute resolution? Or is it just wishful thinking?

Moderator and speaker: • Clarisse VON WUNSCHHEIM, Attorney-at-law, Partner and Head of China Desk at Altenburger Ltd legal+tax, CEDR Mediator, Zurich, Switzerland

Speaker:
• Wang FANG, Deputy Secretary-general of China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT)/China Chamber of International Commerce (CCOIC) Mediation Center, Beijing, China

17:45 – 18:15 NEW FROM THE CENTERS

Announcement of the 27th UIA World Forum of Mediation Centres.

20:00 Optional Dinner

Restaurant eCHO at Zurich Marriott Hotel
Neumuehlequai 42, CH-8006 Zurich

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CH-8006 Zurich, Switzerland
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REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fees for the Forum are:

- € 340 until February 8, 2019 included
- € 390 from February 9, 2019 onwards

Fees include:

- Attendance at all working sessions
- Welcome cocktail on Thursday, March 7
- Lunches on March 8 & 9
- Forum documentation
- Coffee breaks on March 8 & 9

The dinners on Friday, March 8 and Saturday, March 9 are optional and at additional charge.

Please note that the number of places at the forum is limited. The organisers reserve the right to refuse registrations in the event of excess applications.

In order for your name to appear in the list of participants, which will be distributed during the Forum, your registration form must be received by February 21 at the latest. An updated electronic list will be sent by email to all the participants after the Forum.

LANGUAGE

The working language will be English.

HOTEL RESERVATION

A limited number of rooms has been pre-booked at a preferential rate. Reservations should be made directly through the hotel. Credit card details must be given in order to secure your reservation. Please note that the number of rooms is limited. We recommend that you proceed with your reservations as soon as possible.

HOTEL

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RATES

| Single Room Premium | CHF 170.00 |
| Double Room Premium Single use | CHF 220.00 |
| Double Room Premium Double use | CHF 240.00 |
| Breakfast and taxes included | |
| City Tax NOT included @ CHF 2.50/pers./night | |

Please download the hotel reservation form from our Website: www.uianet.org
CANCELLATION AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

CANCELLATION CONDITIONS

All cancellations will be subject to a 50% deduction and will have to be sent in writing, to be received by the Union Internationale des Avocats no later than February 8, 2019. No refund will be made for cancellations received after this date.

VISAS

Anyone who requires a visa invitation letter in order to attend the Forum should register and pay their registration fees no later than February 8, 2019 to ensure there is enough time to obtain a visa.

All cancellations will be refunded in full, minus €50 to cover administrative costs, provided that the UIA has received the registration documents and total registration fees no later than February 8, 2019.

If you register after this date, only 50% of the amount paid minus €50 to cover administrative costs will be refunded for cancellations due to visa refusals.

All cancellations due to a visa refusal must be sent in writing and reach the UIA before the Forum. Cancellations must be accompanied by a proof of visa refusal.

If your visa is issued after the Forum date or if you do not have proof of visa refusal, you will not be entitled to a refund.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

All registrations received by the Union Internationale des Avocats (UIA) along with the full payment of fees corresponding to the events selected will be confirmed in writing.

The UIA reserves the right to cancel or postpone the Forum to a later date, change the Forum venue and/or programme, make any corrections or modifications in the information published in the Forum programme and cancel any invitation to participate in the Forum, at any time and at their entire discretion, without having to provide any reasons for the same.

Neither the UIA, nor any of its managers, employees, agents, members or representatives shall be held responsible for any loss or damage, of any nature, suffered (directly or indirectly) by a delegate, accompanying person or a third party following any cancellations, changes, postponements or modifications.

The UIA strongly advises participants to subscribe to modifiable and/or refundable services, as well as to take out a cancellation insurance.

Neither the UIA, nor any of its managers, employees, agents, members or representatives shall be held responsible for any loss or damage, of any nature whatever, suffered (directly or indirectly) by a delegate or accompanying person, except in case of death or personal injury due to gross negligence by the UIA.

The contractual relations between the UIA and each participant (delegate or accompanying person) in relation to the Forum are subject to French law and jurisdiction, to the exclusion of any other law. Paris is the city of jurisdiction.

FORMALITIES

It is the responsibility of participants to ensure compliance with police, customs and health formalities for their journey. Participants unable to take part in the Forum because of their inability to take a flight or any other means of transportation due to being unable to provide the documents required (passport, visa, vaccination certificate, etc.) cannot claim any reimbursement.

FORCE MAJEURE

“Force majeure” means any events external to the parties, of both an unforeseeable and insurmountable nature that prevents either the client or the participants, or the agency or service providers involved in organising the Forum, from executing all or part of the obligations provided for in the present agreement. By express agreement, such will be the case in the event of a strike affecting the means of transport, hotel staff, air traffic controllers, an insurrection, a riot or any prohibition whatsoever decreed by governmental or public authorities.

It is expressly agreed that for the parties, a case of force majeure would suspend the execution of their reciprocal obligations. At the same time, each of the parties shall bear the burden of all the expenses incumbent upon them, resulting from the case of force majeure.

HEALTH

The organisers decline any responsibility in case of any health problems existing prior to the seminar that may lead to complications or be aggravated during the entire period of the stay: pregnancy, cardio-vascular problems, any allergies, special diets, any disorders under treatment and not yet consolidated on the day the Forum starts, psychic or mental or depressive illness, etc. (Non exhaustive list).

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The personal data that you communicate to us shall be processed by the International Association of Lawyers (UIA – Union Internationale des Avocats), with its registered office at 20 rue Drouot, 75009 Paris [Tel: +33 1 44 88 55 66 - Fax: +33 1 44 88 55 77 - privacy@uianet.org], in accordance with Act No. 78-17 of January 6, 1978 relating to data, files and freedoms and Regulation No. 2016/679 on data protection, as of its entry into force on May 25, 2018. Your data will be managed by UIA’s General Services, Events and Accounts Section:

• For the purpose of administering your registration for the event and your on-site access to the event;
• In order to pay for the selected services - your bank details will be deleted after receipt of your payment;
• In order to communicate information messages from UIA.

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Data relating to your participation in the event shall be stored for a period of 10 years. We are obliged to archive billing data until the end of the period required for our tax and accounting obligations, i.e. for 7 full tax years. We shall store your contact information to keep you informed until you ask us to stop. You have the right to access your data and have it corrected if necessary. You may object to any processing of your data undertaken by us for the purposes of our legitimate interests. If you wish for more information, or to lodge a complaint, please contact CNIL (French Data Protection Authority).
Register online at: www.uianet.org

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FORUM SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

Please indicate below whether you plan to attend the following events included in the cost of your registration.

- Welcome Cocktail – Thursday, March 7
- Lunch – Friday, March 8
- Lunch – Saturday, March 9

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

(not included in the registration fees)

- Optional Dinner – Friday, March 8
  • Please book ________ person(s) for the dinner
  € 90 x ___ / pers ______________

- Optional Dinner – Saturday, March 9
  • Please book ________ person(s) for the dinner
  € 95 x ___ / pers ______________

Total (C) € ______________

TOTAL

TOTAL (A) – Registration Fees € ______________
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I, the undersigned, confirm having read and accepted the cancellation policy and the general terms and conditions given on page 6 of the registration programme. My registration will only be taken into account after receipt of my payment.

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The undersigned acknowledges having been informed of the processing of the personal data contained in this form by UIA, as detailed on page 6 of the registration programme.

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  IBAN: FR76 3000 3033 9200 0503 4165 164
  Kindly attach a copy of your bank transfer order to your registration form

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  ○ Mastercard
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Date: ___________ / ___________ / ___________ Signature: ________________________________