



Association Suisse de l'Arbitrage
Schweiz. Vereinigung für Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit
Associazione Svizzera per l'Arbitrato
Swiss Arbitration Association

ASA Annual Conference

Friday, 2 February

**Expert Evidence: Conflicting Assumptions and
How to Handle them in Arbitration**

preceded by the first

ASA Gala Dinner

and

2018 ASA Advocacy Prize Giving Ceremony

Thursday, 1 February

Zurich, Switzerland



ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Conference Topic

The Use of Experts in International Arbitration – Conflicting Assumptions and Expectations

The conference will explore various aspects relating to the presentation of expert evidence and specifically address the issue of conflicting assumptions and expectations that parties may have and how an arbitral tribunal could deal with them.

Schedule at a Glance, 2 February 2018

08:00	COFFEE & REGISTRATION
09:00	CONFERENCE
13:00	LUNCH
14:00	CONFERENCE

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

9:00 – 9:10	WELCOME ADDRESS AND INTRODUCTION TO THE CONFERENCE TOPIC	Sébastien Besson Lévy Kaufmann-Kohler, Geneva Harold Frey Lenz & Staehelin, Zurich
9:10 – 10:20	PANEL 1 – CONFLICTING ASSUMPTIONS AND EXPECTATIONS ON THE ROLE OF EXPERT EVIDENCE IN ARBITRATION	MODERATION: Michael E. Schneider LALIVE, Geneva
	The general role of experts and the scope of expert evidence	SPEAKERS:
	Duties of the expert to the Tribunal (and-) or to the client	Christopher Harris 3VB, London
	Power and duty to investigate the facts	Dr. Christopher Boog Schellenberg Wittmer, Zurich
	Ethical duties of experts and those interacting with them	James Nicholson FTI Consulting, Inc., Paris
10:20 – 10:45	Coffee Break	



10:45 – 13:00	PANEL 2 – INSTRUCTING EXPERTS	MODERATION: Markus Wirth Homburger, Zurich SPEAKERS: Eda Cerrahoglu Balsen Cerrahoglu, Istanbul Michael Young Quinn Emanuel, Paris Doug Hall Smith & Williamson LLP, London
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:15	PANEL 3 – MANAGING EXPERTS DURING THE ARBITRAL PROCEEDINGS	MODERATION: Wolfgang Peter Peter & Partners, Geneva SPEAKERS: Amanda Lees Simmons & Simmons, Singapore Karsten Kristoffersen Bruun & Hjejle, Copenhagen Bernhard Berger Kellerhals Carrard, Bern
15:15 – 15:45	Coffee Break	
15:45 – 17:00	PANEL 4 – THE ASSESSMENT OF EXPERT EVIDENCE	MODERATION: Natalie L. Reid Debevoise & Plimpton LLP, New York SPEAKERS : Mélanie van Leeuwen Derains & Gharavi, Paris Prof. Pierre Tercier Fribourg Sophie Nappert 3VB, London
17:00 – 17:10	CLOSING REMARKS	Elliott Geisinger ASA President, Schellenberg Wittmer Ltd., Geneva



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ABOUT THE GALA DINNER

For the first time in 2018, ASA will hold a gala dinner the evening before the conference. The dinner will take place at 18:00 on Thursday 1 February at the Zunfthaus zur Saffran, Zurich. It will include a welcome drinks reception, three course meal with accompanying wine, followed by tea and coffee and the ASA Advocacy Prize Giving Ceremony.

The Advocacy Prize seeks to recognise counsel who, through their exceptional talents in advocacy, significantly contribute to the promotion of effective resolution of international commercial disputes through arbitration. Past recipients of the prize include Raed Fathallah, Melissa Magliana, Philippe Pinsolle and Franz T. Schwarz.

Schedule at a Glance

18:00	WELCOME DRINKS RECEPTION
19:00	DINNER
21:00	ASA ADVOCACY PRIZE-GIVING CEREMONY
22:30	END