

2nd International Summer School on Arbitration

24-28 June 2024 - Baku, Azerbaijan



Day 1

24.06.2023

09:30-10:00 Registration

10:00-11:30 Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak

Opening lecture: aim of the program, International arbitration, International Dispute Settlement and Legal Concept of Arbitration, history, Arbitration institutions and regimes, characteristics

11:30-11:45 Break

11:45-13:00 Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak

Regulatory framework of arbitration, fundamental rights and principles, importance of place of arbitration and applicable law

13:00-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-15:30 Dr. Doğan Gültutan

Confidentiality and Transparency

15:30-15:45 Break

15:45-17:15 Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak

Arbitral proceedings Part I: establishment and organization of an arbitral tribunal Appointment of arbitrators, impartiality-independence, challenge, removal and replacement

Day 2

25.06.2024

09:00-10:30 Dr. Ömer-Faruk Kafali

Arbitral proceedings. Part II: Powers, duties and jurisdiction of the tribunal

10:30-10:45 Break

10:45-11:45 Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak

Provisional Measures

11:45-12:00 Break

12:00-13:00 Dr. Doğan Gültutan - Dr. Can Eken

Emergency and expedited arbitration

13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 Dr. Doğan Gültutan - Dr. Can Eken

Applicable procedural law, State courts and assistance

15:30-15:45 Break

15:45-17:15 Okan Demirkan (Online Lecture)

Arbitration agreement, autonomy, validity and interpretation, drafting, Arbitrability, Confidentiality, Defective Arbitration Clauses, non-signatories, Multiparty Arbitrations

Day 3

26.06.2024

09:00-10:15 Turgut Aycan Özcan

Arbitral proceedings. Part I : Preparation for the Hearings: Pre-Hearing Conference, Chronology of Key Events, Hearing Bundles

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:30 Turgut Aycan Özcan

Arbitral proceedings. Part I: Preparation for the Hearings: Opening Statements, Preparing the Fact and Expert Witnesses for Cross Examination, preparation of cross-examination questions

11:30-11:45 Break

11:45-13:00 Turgut Aycan Özcan

Arbitral proceedings. Part II: Arbitration Hearings: Opening Statement, Direct Examination, Cross Examination, Redirect Examination, Oral and Written Closing Arguments

13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:15 Dr. Ömer-Faruk Kafali

Arbitral Award

15:15-15:30 Break

15:30-17:00 Dr. Ömer-Faruk Kafali

Arbitration Costs

Day 4

27.06.2024

09:00-10:15 Dr. Can Eken

Set-Aside

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:45 Dr. Can Eken
Set-Aside II

11:45-12:00 Break

12:00-13:00 Dr. Can Eken

Set-Aside III

13:00-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-15:15 Toghrul Guluzada

Recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards

15:15-15:30 Break

15:30-16:30 Toghrul Guluzada

Recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards II

16:30-16:40 Short Break

16:40-17:30 Toghrul Guluzada

Recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards III

Day 5

28.06.2024

09:00-10:15 Assoc. Prof. Dr. A. Eda Manav Özdemir
Investment Arbitration: Introduction

10:15-10:30 Break

10:30-11:45 Assoc. Prof. Dr. A. Eda Manav Özdemir
Investment Arbitration: Legal Framework

11:45-12:00 Break

12:00-13:00 Assoc. Prof. Dr. A. Eda Manav Özdemir
Investment Arbitration: Procedure

13:00-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-15:15 Asst. Prof. Dr. Najiba Mustafayeva
Investment Arbitration: Practice

15:15-15:30 Break

15:30-16:30 Asst. Prof. Dr. Najiba Mustafayeva
State-State Arbitration

16:30-16:40 Short Break

16:40-17:30 Asst. Prof. Dr. Najiba Mustafayeva
State-State Arbitration

17:30-18:00 Closing remarks & Certification ceremony

Trainers

Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak

Ali Yesilirmak is a professor at Ibn Haldun University School of Law and a visiting lecturer at the School of International Arbitration, CCLS, Queen Mary College; University of Landon. He has served as an arbitrator and counsel in several ad hac and institutional arbitrations. He is a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration and of the Court of Arbitration at the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce Arbitration Court (ITOTAM). He was an of counsel to Esin Attorney Partnership an affiliate of Baker & McKenzie Istanbul (2011-2014); and to Birsell Law Office 2001-2005. He was seconded to Herbert Smith Landon (2000-2001). Ali holds an LLB from Dokuz Eylul University, an LL.M. from the University of Texas at Austin and a Ph.D. from CCLS, Queen Mary, University of Landon. He was a member of the Committee attached to the Ministry of Justice and entrusted with the drafting the new Code of Civil Procedure (2011), of the Law on Conciliation in respect of Civil Matters (2011) and its Regulation (2012), and of the Law on Istanbul Arbitration Centre. He published various books and articles on arbitration, litigation, mediation, execution, and bankruptcy. He is a general editor on international dispute resolution series in which six books have been published in Turkish. He was awarded Schmitthoff scholarship; did internships at the International Chamber of Commerce and the American Arbitration Association, was a research assistant to HE Judge Professor Dr. Cari Baudenbacher of the EFTA Court. He is fluent in Turkish and English.

Dr. Najiba Mustafayeva

Dr. Najiba Mustafayeva is an Assistant Professor at the Ibn Haldun University (Türkiye) and Adjunct Professor at the ADA University (Azerbaijan), as well as Deputy Director of Heydar Aliyev Center for Eurasian Studies of Ibn Haldun University (Türkiye). She holds a master's degree in International and European Law from the University of Amsterdam (Netherlands) with the specialization in International Trade and Investment Law, and Ph.D. degree in Law from Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO University). She started her career at the office of the Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman), worked at the Center for Strategic Studies, International Committee of the Red Cross, Baku State University, SME Development Agency of the Republic Azerbaijan as a head of International Cooperation Department and Institute of Education of the Republic of Azerbaijan as a Deputy Director. She provides consultancy services on business and human rights, human rights due diligence issues for companies in Azerbaijan, Russia, Poland and Netherlands. She is author of 2 books and more than 20 articles and opeds, published in Azerbaijan, Türkiye, United States, Russia, Moldova, Greece and Poland.

Dr. Doğan Gültutan

Doğan Gültutan is a Senior Associate and Solicitor-Advocate (Higher Courts Civil Proceedings) in the Baker McKenzie Dispute Resolution team based in London. Doğan acts for and against states and state bodies, with particular experience in the energy sector and large infrastructure projects. He also often advises investors on treaty planning, and leveraging international protections in the context of government interference. Doğan is dual qualified (England & Wales and Turkey) and has over twelve years' experience before the English and Turkish courts and arbitral tribunals. Doğan relocated from Baker McKenzie Istanbul and joined the London team in 2016. Doğan recently completed his PhD student at City, University of London, where he focused his research on moral damages under international investment law. His thesis was very recently published by Kluwer Law International as part of its International Arbitration Law Library series. Doğan is also a Lecturer in Law at City, University of London and has taught / teaches undergraduate and graduate students on International Economic Law, Contract Law, Equity and Trusts Law, Public Law, Legal Skills and English Legal System.

Dr. Can Eken

Dr Eken currently serves as an assistant professor at Durham Law School. He is a triple-qualified lawyer, admitted in California, Turkey, and England and Wales. He is also a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He was a visiting scholar at Stanford University and the Max Planck Institute in Luxembourg for Procedural Law.

He has authored numerous publications on international commercial arbitration, investment law, third-party funding, and online dispute resolution. He is the recipient of the 2021 Postgraduate Research Output Award from the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He is also a finalist of the 2021 Asian Law Junior Faculty Workshop from the National University of Singapore as well as the 2019 UNSW Herbert Smith Freehills China International Business and Economic Law (CIBEL) Global Network PhD Scholar Prize in Sydney, Australia.

Dr Eken is regularly invited to speak in international conferences and offer consultancy services to law firms on international arbitration as well as law matters in California and Turkey. Among his professional activities, he has lectured in various jurisdictions including Turkey, Hong Kong, India, Uzbekistan, and Kazakhstan. He has acted as a peer reviewer in several journals, including Asia Pacific Law Review. He has served on the Executive Secretariat of the Asia Pacific FDI Network and the panel of arbitrators at the Shanghai International Arbitration Centre and Thailand Arbitration Centre.

Prior to joining the faculty at Durham, Dr Eken was a practising lawyer in Turkey following a brief stint as a research assistant. He completed a PhD degree at the Faculty of Law at the Chinese University of Hong Kong. He also completed the two LLM degrees, one from the London School of Economics and Political Science and another from Dokuz Eylul University, where he also obtained a bachelor's degree in law with high honours.

Okan Demirkan

Okan Demirkan is a prominent legal professional, currently serving as a partner at Kolcuođlu Demirkan Koçaklı, a leading law firm in Turkey. He heads the firm's dispute resolution, energy and infrastructure, and ethics and compliance practices. With an extensive career spanning over two decades, Okan is recognized for his profound expertise in arbitration, litigation, and regulatory matters, particularly in the energy sector.

Okan's journey in the legal field began with an LL.B. from the University of Sussex, followed by further specialization in international arbitration and energy law. He has been instrumental in advising and representing numerous international and domestic clients in complex arbitration and litigation cases. His notable contributions include significant involvement in major pipeline projects such as the Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan (BTC) and the Trans-Anatolian Natural Gas Pipeline (TANAP), where his strategic legal guidance was pivotal. In addition to his work in dispute resolution, Okan is a globally recognized thought leader in energy law. He has been consistently acknowledged by Who's Who Legal as a "Global Elite Thought Leader" in the energy sector, highlighting his unparalleled expertise and influence. His role often extends beyond advocacy to include serving as an arbitrator in high-stakes disputes under the rules of leading arbitration institutions like the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the Istanbul Arbitration Center (ISTAC).

Turgut Aycan Özcan

Turgut Aycan Özcan is the founding partner of Özcan Legal. Özcan has been dealing with international arbitration for more than 10 years. His main practice areas are International Investment & Commercial Arbitration, Public International Law and Energy Law. Until today, he has represented many Turkish investors in their ICSID arbitration cases filed against several Central Asia and Middle East countries. On the other hand, Özcan was also involved in the teams representing sovereign states before ICSID. Before establishing Özcan Legal, Turgut Aycan Özcan has managed the legal team representing the Republic of Türkiye in two major ICSID arbitration cases, which were concluded in favour of the Republic. Mr. Özcan also acts as a counsel in some international commercial arbitration cases before ICC and other arbitration institutions with respect to construction and energy disputes. He is also serving as an arbitrator in several international commercial arbitral proceedings. Özcan is in the arbitrators panel of Energy Disputes Arbitration Center (EDAC) as well. Turgut Aycan Özcan is recognized by Who's Who Legal as one of the Arbitration Future Leaders for 2023 in Türkiye.

Toghrul Guluzada

Toghrul Guluzada is an international lawyer and attorney at law, specialized in the field of corporate/investment, commercial as well as international arbitration law. He serves as the Head of Legal Department at Azerbaijan Industrial Corporation (AIC) OJSC and is a Member (Arbitrator) at the Landon Court of International Arbitration (LCIA). Mr Guluzada is also a Direct Member of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and contributes his expertise to multiple ICC commissions. Mr Guluzada holds LL.M degrees from Ghent University in Belgium and Riga Graduate School of Law in Latvia. He is currently pursuing a PhD in International Investment/Arbitration Law and Company Law at Leiden University, Netherlands. Additionally, he has completed prestigious educational programs at the Cologne Arbitration Academy and Harvard Law School. Mr Guluzada is fluent in Azerbaijani, English, French, Russian, and Turkish. He has provided legal advice and drafted laws for projects supported by the EU and Asian Development Bank (ADB). As an Adjunct Lecturer, Mr Guluzada shares his expertise in international law, commercial law, and corporate law with students at various universities in Azerbaijan.

Dr. Ömer-Faruk Kafali

Ömer-Faruk Kafali has received his bachelor degree in law in 2016 with an "Honorary Degree". He completed the Master of Private Law Program at the Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences of İstanbul Şehir University with the thesis "Arbitral Decisions and Final Awards in Arbitration". Between 2017-2019, he worked as a Research Assistant at İstanbul Şehir University School of Law, Civil Procedural Law and Execution-Bankruptcy Law Department. Since October 2019, he is working at İbn Haldun University School of Law, at the Civil Procedural Law and Execution-Bankruptcy Law Department and Dispute Resolution Center. Dr. Kafali completed his Ph.D. on Private Law at the School of Graduate Studies. Mr. Kafali participated at multiple Moot Court Competitions as a team member. Since 2017 he is coaching various teams from different universities for national and international law competitions. Mr. Kafali was a Visiting scholar at Max Planck Institute for International Procedural Law (Luxembourg) until between May 2022-March 2023. Mr. Kafali acts as arbitrator, arbitral secretary and of counsel in various national and international arbitration cases. He is also a Mediator at the Turkish Ministry of Justice. He speaks German and Turkish (native), English (advanced) and French (beginner).

Assoc. Prof. Dr. A. Eda Manav Özdemir

Ms Manav Özdemir graduated with honors from Başkent University Faculty of Law in 2001. In 2002, she started to work as a research assistant in the Department of Labor and Social Security Law at the same university. She received the title of doctor of law in 2009. She became a judge in 2010, and after completing her internship, she was appointed as a judge in 2012. In October 2017, she received the title of associate professor in the field of Labor and Social Security Law. She has published two scientific books, many articles and gave presentations in the field of labor and social security law, and published articles, books and communiques in the field of arbitration. She is currently working as the Head of International Arbitration and Alternative Solutions Department at the Presidency of the Directorate of Administrative Affairs, General Directorate of Law and Legislation.

