

Training on 'Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration: China and Bangladesh'

Jointly organized by

**Bangladesh International Arbitration Centre (BIAC) & Kunming Economic Development Zone
International Commercial Arbitration Service Center (KICASC)**

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**Venue: Jingkai Stylistic Centre Hotel,
Kunming Economic and Technology Development Zone (KETDZ), East Kunming, China**

Bangladesh International Arbitration Centre (BIAC) & Kunming Economic Development Zone International Commercial Arbitration Service Center (KICASC) will be conducting the Introduction to International Commercial Arbitration Course in Kunming, China on 22 and 26 April 2019.

BIAC's Profile

BIAC is Bangladesh's first and only Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) institution. It is registered as a not-for-profit organization and commenced operation in April 2011. International Chamber of Commerce-Bangladesh (ICC-B), the World Business Organization and two prominent business Chambers of Bangladesh, namely, Dhaka Chamber of Commerce & Industry (DCCI) and Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce & Industry (MCCI), Dhaka are sponsors of BIAC. BIAC's core activities include providing facilities for arbitration and mediation and organizing training and awareness programmes. It published its Arbitration and Mediation Rules in 2011 and 2014 respectively. BIAC has a Panel of Arbitrators and List of Mediators. Apart from facilitating arbitration and mediation, BIAC has got recognition by signing co-operation agreements with 14 international ADR centres for excellence in the region and 23 Banks, corporate and financial institutions, NGO and Universities, law firms in Bangladesh. The Chairman of the BIAC Board is Mr. Mahbubur Rahman, who is also President of ICC-B while the Chief Executive Officer is Mr. Muhammad A. (Rume) Ali.

KICASC's Profile

Kunming Economic Development Zone International Commercial Arbitration Service Center (KICASC) was formally established in December 2017. The service center is positioned as an international legal service platform for "going out and introducing" Southeast Asian countries to South Asia. Its main functions include providing internationally renowned commercial arbitration institutions with arbitrator information and cross-border investment promotion policies for Chinese and foreign enterprises, organizations and individuals, as well as notice of friction warning information; organize legal seminars on international commercial arbitration, international legal knowledge training, and research on commercial arbitration topics; organize mediation of international commercial disputes; organize international business cooperation and exchanges. In order to carry out the important deployment of the "Kunming Regional International Center for Urban Construction Implementation (2017-2030)", focusing on the "Belt and Road", improve the ability of public legal services, promote internationalization, facilitation, and legalization, Kunming Economic Development Zone Management Committee has established the first international commercial arbitration service center in the country.

At present, the service center has obtained connection with the Hong Kong International Arbitration Center (HKIAC) of China, the Milan Arbitration Institute of Italy, the Indian Bar Association, and other legal organizations of countries such as Myanmar and Laos. According to Ms. Zhang Jingmei, Director of the Kunming Economic Development Bureau and the Legal Affairs Bureau, the service center plans to invite some internationally renowned arbitration institution or related legal institution to hold an event in Kunming every year to improve the KICASC.

The aim of the training

China is the top source of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) for Bangladesh. A large chunk of the Chinese FDI came to the power sector. Kunming Economic Development Zone International Commercial Arbitration Service Center (KICASC) is willing to work to develop the commercial arbitration service that will be required by the Chinese companies investing in Bangladesh's infrastructure development, energy, shipbuilding, pharmaceuticals, agro-processing, light engineering, jute, ICT, tourism, fisheries, footwear and ready-made garment, steel sector and marine sector.

The aim of the training is to provide an understanding of the general principles of international (i.e. non-domestic) arbitration and its relationship to other dispute resolution processes. The course will provide

candidates with an introduction to the legal frame work of, and good practice and procedure in, international arbitration in their jurisdictions. Undergoing the training Bangladeshi participants will have better understanding and deeper access to Chinese ADR laws and practices which they can utilize while engaged in arbitration or related dispute resolution methods in their career life.

It is necessary for the organization to know about the recent business development, logistics and international trade finance to run the business smoothly. Knowing alternative dispute resolution plays a vital part of doing business. Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) is a common way of resolving civil and commercial disputes around the world. ADR methods, such as Mediation and Arbitration are growing forms of dispute resolution means in Bangladesh.

Who should Attend

Representatives from Business Chambers , Bankers, Lawyers, Judges, Arbitrators, Mediators, Policy makers, Government officials, Faculty members of Universities, corporate executives, students interested in a career in ADR. It will also be valuable to officials especially who are involved in procurement, HR, Sales, Risk Management and law department, officials working with Chinese companies in Bangladesh, practitioners who wish to become an Members of KICASC and Interested participants who want to learn about International Arbitration,

Training Materials: Course folder with materials will be provided to candidates on the first day of the training.

Participant Information

Title: (Mr. / Dr. / Mrs. / Ms. / Miss).....*Full Name (Block letter as in Passport)

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*Passport no..... * DOB: * Date of issue: * Expiry date.....

Educational Status Professional Qualification (if any)

Company Position

Address

Phone: Office..... *Mobile E-mail

Date

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Signature of the participant

- ***Please return the completed Registration Form by Monday 25 March, 2019***
- ***Photocopy / scanned copy will be accepted.***
- ***For enquiries, please contact: Ms. Mahbuba Rahman, Senior Counsel, Cell: 01716413842***

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