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Venue

The Biltmore Tbilisi Hotel
Tbilisi, Georgia

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Programme

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- 09:30-10:00 **Coffee / registration**
- 10:00-10:15 **Welcome & Introductions**
- Nick Gvinadze, Managing Partner, Gvinadze & Partners LLC, Tbilisi; Chair, ICC Georgia Arbitration & ADR Commission
 - Eric Wenz, Attorney Advisor, Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP), Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington D.C.
- 10:15-10:35 **Keynote Address**
- Alexander G. Fessas, Secretary General, ICC International Court of Arbitration; Director, ICC Dispute Resolution Services
- 10:35-11:35 **Panel I – A Century of Excellence: The Impact and Key Benefits of ICC Arbitration Rules**
- Jirayr Habibian, Managing Partner, Matouk Bassiouny, Abu Dhabi; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
 - Crenguta Leaua, Founding Partner, LEAUA DAMCALI DEACONU PAUNESCU, Bucharest; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR
 - Sergii Melnyk, Lawyer, De Gaulle Fleurance, Paris
 - Marily Paralika, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Paris; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
 - Małgorzata Surdek-Janicka, SURDEK Arbitration, Warsaw; Vice-President, ICC International Court of Arbitration
(Moderator)
- 11:35-12:00 **Coffee break**
- 12:00-13:00 **Panel II – Arbitration and ADR: Competing Methods or Complementary Solutions?**
- Helene Gogadze, Special Counsel, Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP, Washington D.C.; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR
 - Samantha Nataf, Partner, De Gaulle Fleurance, Paris; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
 - Patricia Shaughnessy, Associate Professor, Law Faculty, University of Stockholm; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration
 - Sophie Tkemaladze, Arbitrator, Assistant Professor, Director of Center for Effective Communication and Leadership, New Vision University, Boston / Tbilisi; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR
 - Ketevan Betaneli, Senior Knowledge Lawyer, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Paris; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration (Moderator)

13:00-14:30	Lunch
14:30-15:45	<p>Panel III - Latest Developments and Challenges in the Region: An Overview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natalia Alenkina, Associate Professor, American University of Central Asia, Bishkek; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration • Giorgi Batlidze, Partner, BLC Law Office, Tbilisi; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR • Renata Berzanskiene, General Counsel, Orlen Lietuva, Vilnius; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration • Tinatin Gugunava, General Counsel, Pepsi Georgia, Tbilisi; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR • Hayk Hovhannisyan, Managing Partner, HAP Law Firm, Yerevan; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR • Triinu Hiob, Partner and Head of Dispute Resolution, NJORD, Tallinn; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration (Moderator)
15:45-16:10	Coffee break
16:10-17:25	<p>Panel IV - Energy and Infrastructure Disputes in the Middle Corridor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firuza Bobokulova, Partner, My Lawyer Law Firm, Tashkent; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration • Aigoul Kenjebayeva, Partner, Dentons, Almaty; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration • Kamalia Mehtiyeva, Professor, Université Paris-Est Créteil (UPEC), Paris; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR • Candan Yasan Tepetas, Assistant Professor, Istanbul Bilgi University, Istanbul; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR • Daduna Kokhreidze, General Counsel & Manager for Legal and Contract Services, International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) • Nata Ghibradze, Counsel, Hogan Lovells, Munich; Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR (Moderator)
17:25-17:30	<p>Closing remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nick Gvinadze, Managing Partner, Gvinadze & Partners LLC, Tbilisi; Chair, ICC Georgia Arbitration & ADR Commission
19:30	Cocktail Reception to Celebrate Publication of the Georgian Version of the ICC Arbitration and Mediation Rules

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