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COLLOQUIUM

Actors in International Investment Law: Beyond Claimants, Respondents and Arbitrators

Paris, 26-27 September 2019

CALL FOR PAPERS

The University Paris II Panthéon-Assas is hosting, in the context of the *Investment Law Initiative*, a *Colloquium* on ‘**Actors in International Investment Law: Beyond Claimants, Respondents and Arbitrators**’, which will take place on 26 and 27 September 2019, in Paris, France.

The *Colloquium* is jointly organized by the CERSA, research centre of the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) and of the University Paris II Panthéon-Assas (France); the University of Zaragoza (Spain) and its Faculty of Law; the Athens Public International Law Center (Athens PIL) of the National and Kapodistrian University of

Athens Faculty of Law (Greece). These academic and research institutions joined forces in 2016 and established the *Investment Law Initiative*, an international collaboration aimed at strengthening research and systemic analysis of international investment law. The *Colloquium* is convened by Dr Katia Fach Gómez (University of Zaragoza, Faculty of Law), Dr Anastasios Gourgourinis (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Faculty of Law; Athens PIL), and Dr Catharine Titi (CNRS-CERSA, University Paris II Panthéon-Assas).

In addition to invited speakers, the programme will select speakers on the basis of submissions in response to this call for papers.

***Colloquium* theme**

This year's *Colloquium* focuses on actors in international investment law beyond claimants, respondents, and arbitrators. Panels will explore particular actors. Potential topics are presented below.

Topic 1. Arbitral Institutions and Appointing Authorities
(Including expert witnesses and tribunal secretaries)

Topic 2. Counsel

Topic 3. Third-Party Funding

Topic 4. Public Participation
(Including civil society, *amici curiae*, transparency in investment negotiations)

Topic 5. Scrutiny by Public Institutions
(Including screening of FDI on grounds of national security and government screening of concluded IIAs)

Topic 6. National Governments and Treaty Negotiators

Topic 7. Investment Promotion Agencies and Political Risk Insurance

Topic 8. The European Union

Topic 9. International Organisations (Excluding the EU)

Topic 10. Academics

Topic 11. National Courts

Topic 12: The Investor's Home State

Topic 13: Other Investors (Beyond the Claimant Investor)

Topic 14: Other Tribunals (Including influence of existing case law)

Guidelines for Submission

Authors are invited to submit by **31 March 2019** an abstract (of an original paper) which is neither published nor accepted for publication when the *Colloquium* takes place. Papers will

be selected on the basis of their originality and innovative character and their relevance to the topic.

Only one abstract will be considered per author. Abstracts must not exceed **800 words** and must be submitted by email to agourg@law.uoa.gr; cathy_titi@hotmail.com; and katiachgomez@gmail.com.

Please include the following information with the abstract:

- The topic for which the abstract is submitted.
- The author's name and affiliation and contact details
- A short CV, including a list of relevant publications

Timeline

- The deadline for the submission of abstracts is **31 March 2019**.
- Successful applicants will be informed by **30 April 2019**.
- The deadline for draft paper submissions (3,000 words) is **31 July 2019**.
- The *Colloquium* takes place on **26-27 September 2019**.
- The deadline for final paper submission for the publication will be **1 November 2019**.

Finances

Selected speakers must register for the *Colloquium* and will be eligible for a reduced registration fee. Registration fees will contribute to the organisation of the event, including notably coffee breaks, lunches and the *Colloquium* gala dinner, which will take place on Thursday, 26 September 2019. The *Investment Law Initiative* cannot cover travel and accommodation expenses.

Publication

The organization of *Colloquium* will publish selected high-quality papers in an edited volume Special Issue of the Springer *European Yearbook on International Economic Law*. More information about the publication will be provided around the time of the *Colloquium*.

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