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## Institute for Transnational Arbitration: Call for Papers for 2d Annual Winter Forum, Miami, Jan. 24-25, 2013

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The Executive Committee and Academic Council of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration (ITA) are proud to announce that the second annual ITA Winter Forum will take place in Miami on January 24-25, 2013. Building on its successful launch in 2012, the Winter Forum will provide a unique opportunity for the exploration of scholarly papers and probing debate with a practical slant of topical issues in international arbitration.

The first half of the Winter Forum will showcase two works-in-progress, encompassing presentations by authors, commentary by internationally recognized academics and practitioners, and interactive discussion among all participants. Our objective is to integrate the unique insights of academics and practitioners, encourage cross-collaboration, and promote the evolution of international arbitration during a time of global transition. After a conversation over lunch with renowned authority Gary Born, chair of the International Arbitration Practice Group of WilmerHale, the Winter Forum will feature a Tylney-Hall-style discussion forum, before concluding with a select year-in-review of noteworthy events in international arbitration.

### Possible Topics for Works-In-Progress

With this backdrop, we now initiate a call for works-in-progress. Keeping in mind ITA's stated objective to provide "leading educational and professional activities for legal counsel, arbitrators, business executives, government officials, academics and other professionals through programs that examine, critique and seek to improve the practice and study of international arbitration and provide opportunities to enhance the arbitration community," we encourage authors to consider a broad variety of topics. Possible topics might include exploration of:

- Emerging issues of substantive law in international commercial arbitration or international investment law;
- Consideration of procedural issues, including issues related to arbitrator selection and challenge, evidentiary considerations, preliminary measures, concurrent proceedings, and enforcement and review;
- The relationship between international commercial arbitration and investment law, as well as between these two pillars and other branches of law, such as intellectual property and environmental law;
- The recent jurisprudence of national courts related to international arbitration, either domestic or comparative, and the implications for basic concepts of jurisdiction, arbitrator competence and

independence;

- Innovative research methodologies for the exploration and consideration of international arbitration and transnational dispute resolution;
- The interactions among arbitrators, scholars, practitioners, government officials and civil society groups active in international arbitration; and
- The consideration of international arbitration's commercial impact, including implications of cost, the net value of arbitration and the opportunities to build sustainable dispute resolution into international business and investment.

We encourage the submission of works-in-progress from both scholars and practitioners, whether established or emerging. The Winter Forum seeks to integrate the diacritical insights and perspectives of both academics and practitioners across all levels – with distinction being the common criterion – as reflected by the rich offerings of the chosen works-in-progress of the first Winter Forum by The Honorable Charles N. Brower & Charles B. Rosenberg, The Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal; Irene M. Ten Cate, Visiting Assistant Professor, Marquette University Law School; and Charles C. Correll, Jr. & Ryan J. Szczepanik, King & Spalding LLP, San Francisco.

### **Paper Submission and Selection**

All proposals must be submitted by September 1, 2012, via email to ITAWinterForum2013@gmail.com in accordance with the following conventions. First, proposals should be made in a Word document that is no longer than 1,000 words. Second, your cover email should indicate your affiliated institution, your contact details and whether your paper has been submitted or accepted for publication elsewhere. In evaluating proposals, please note that priority will be given to unpublished papers and works-in-progress. Every paper proposal will be reviewed on a blind basis by at least two members of the Selection Committee (identified below).

We anticipate announcing the selected papers by October 1, 2012. Authors selected for the Winter Forum must be prepared to circulate a substantially complete draft of their paper no later than December 20, 2012.

While ITA cannot reimburse all travel expenses, selected authors will receive a waiver of the conference fee for the Winter Forum and two nights' accommodation in Miami.

### **Paper Publication**

Papers and commentary from previous scholarly events from the Academic Council have been published in the World Arbitration and Mediation Review (WAMR). While not required, there will be an opportunity to publish final versions of the works-in-progress selected for the Winter Forum in WAMR as well.

### **Enquiries**

Please submit enquiries to either of the ITA Winter Forum 2013 Co-Chairs, Joseph Matthews (Joseph@colson.com) or Jarrod Wong (jwong@pacific.edu).

### **2013 ITA Winter Forum Selection Committee**

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