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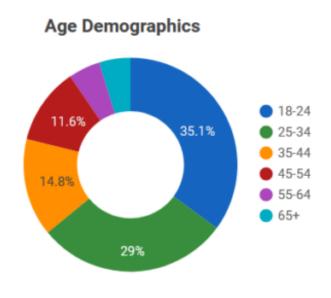
Crina Baltag (Managing Editor) (Stockholm University) · Wednesday, December 25th, 2024

At Kluwer Arbitration Blog, December is the month to thank our readers and collaborators for their readership, contributions, and support. This is also the occasion to praise our excellent editors.

In January 2025, Kluwer Arbitration Blog celebrates **16 years of existence**. The Editorial Board of Blog expanded from two to over forty members, showcasing the generous diversity and excellence of the arbitration community. The Editorial Board is led by Prof Roger Alford–General Editor, Prof Crina Baltag–Managing Editor, and Maria Fanou, Kiran Nasir Gore, Khushboo Shahdadpuri and Anne Wang–Associate Editors. With over 4,850 posts published since the first one on 28 January 2009, the Blog went from a little over 8,000 readers/month to over 150,000 readers/month in December 2024. The readership of the Blog showcases the diversity of the arbitration community, with readers from every corner of the world, from the United States, to India, China, Guatemala, to Uganda, Poland, Brazil, Egypt, Papua New Guinea, Georgia, Fiji, and Jordan.

As we did last year, we continue to raise awareness about the diversity in international arbitration, and we reflect upon the age and language diversity of the Blog's readership.

	Language
1.	English
2.	Chinese
3.	Spanish
4.	French
5.	German
6.	Russian
7.	Portuguese
8.	Italian
9.	Turkish



At Kluwer Arbitration Blog, we are very much aware of the impact that the Blog has in disseminating local, regional, and international developments in arbitration, not only raising

awareness of the advantages, but also of the disadvantages of arbitration, as a dispute resolution mechanism. 2024 continued to offer generous developments for international arbitration: the revision of the IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest in International Arbitration, the decision of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit in NextEra and 9REN v. Spain appeals addressing the recognition and enforcement of ICSID arbitral awards, the reform of Investor-State dispute settlement (ISDS) under the auspices of UNCITRAL Working Group III, the Decision 4A_66/2024 of the Swiss Supreme Court on the applicability of the *Achmea* judgment, the role of Artificial Intelligence in international arbitration, the energy transition and the adoption of the modernized Energy Charter Treaty on 3 December 2024 etc.

As mentioned, this Blog post is also an opportunity to acknowledge and to thank our **Editors**. We are grateful to our Editors for their tremendous work behind each published post, for actively engaging with our arbitration community, and for maintaining the high standards of quality here at Kluwer Arbitration Blog. Over the years, we have had exceptional editors in our team, all of them continuing to be very close to the Blog.

The Blog is also the result of the fruitful collaboration with its publisher, Wolters Kluwer, and the Editorial Board is grateful to Vincent Verschoor, editor and content manager with Wolters Kluwer, for ensuring that we deliver the best final product to our readers. We are also grateful to the permanent contributors and to the affiliates of the Blog, some being with us from the first days of the Kluwer Arbitration Blog.

At the Kluwer Arbitration Blog, we believe that the arbitration community must actively ensure the suitability and legitimacy of arbitration, while advancing necessary reforms and providing for for fruitful discussions.

We would like to thank YOU for all your support, and we send our best wishes for the Festive Season. We wish you an excellent 2025, with peace, health, and joy!

Prof Dr Crina Baltag, Managing Editor, on behalf of the Editorial Board

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