WEBINAR
COVID-19 IMPACT ON ARBITRATION:
BETWEEN CHALLENGES AND PRACTICALITIES

Wednesday 10 June 2020
12:00 - 1:00 pm (Dubai Time)

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ABOUT THE EVENT

The Webinar will discuss the impact of the Covid-19 on arbitration and particularly, the inevitable challenges faced by arbitration stakeholders and practical considerations to overcome these challenges. The panellists will discuss the most controversial and questioned matters that may arise and will provide guidance to maximize the efficiency of the proceedings during this exceptional period of time.

WEBINAR TOPICS

- The impact of COVID-19 on arbitration: ‘extraordinary’ times or the new ‘normal’?
- Measures to increase efficiency of the proceedings in the circumstances
- Virtual hearings, cyber-protocols and security concerns
- The role and duty of all stakeholders; parties, counsel, arbitrators, witnesses, institutions and support teams

AGENDA

12:00 - 12:05 pm
WELCOME ADDRESS
- Mr. Rashid Shahin, DIAC Director

12:05 - 12:50 pm
PANEL DISCUSSION

THE PANELLISTS:
- Mr. Ahmed Ibrahim (Moderator)
- Mr. Ali Al Aidarous (Speaker)
- Prof. Dr. Georges Affaki (Speaker)

12:50 -1:00 pm
QUESTIONS & ANSWERS
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PLATFORM

Zoom Meetings
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LANGUAGE

English

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Discussion topics will be of particular interest to practicing lawyers, arbitrators, ADR practitioners, litigators, judges, and other ADR experts and users, business people and academics wishing to acquire greater knowledge about the impact of the Covid-19 on Arbitration.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

We recommend that participants share their questions and inquiries in advance to diacevents@dubaichamber.com
WELCOME ADDRESS

Mr. Rashid Shahin  
DIAC Director  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates

THE PANELLISTS

MODERATOR

Mr. Ahmed Ibrahim  
Managing Partner, Fenwick Elliott LLP  
Middle East and Africa, Dubai, UAE

Mr. Ibrahim has represented regional and international high-profile clients in high value disputes, and has advised clients for many years on projects in countries across the MENA region. His expertise includes acting as counsel or arbitrator in disputes across various industries, including healthcare, education, IT, transport, infrastructure, housing, commercial, retail, power, oil and gas, renewable energy, nuclear, mining, water and utilities.

SPEAKERS

Prof. Dr. Georges Affaki  
Partner, AFFAKI  
Paris, France

Dr. Affaki is a Professor of law at the University of Paris II and an Avocat admitted to practice before the Court of Appeal of Paris, France. He is a Chartered Arbitrator, a member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration and of the ICSID Panels of Arbitrators and Mediators. He served as chairman, panel and sole arbitrator in investment and in international commercial arbitral proceedings under the rules of the leading institution.

Mr. Ali AL Aidarous  
Founder and Managing Attorney, Al Aidarous Advocates & Legal Consultants  
Dubai, UAE

Mr AL Aidarous has 30 years’ experience in commercial and corporate matters and has right of audience before the UAE and DIFC Courts. He is an international arbitrator accredited before regional and international arbitration centres like DIAC, ADCCAC, DIFC-LCIA and AGCC Arbitration and ICC Paris. He also acts as a counsel in arbitration matters and regularly provides expert opinions on UAE law issues before international arbitration and foreign courts.