

YPAI welcomes you to the

YOUNG PRACTITIONERS SEMINAR

16.30 – 19.15, 16th November 2023 Gaffney Room, Distillery Building, 145-151 Church Street, Dublin 7





MODERATOR FOR PANEL 1

Cathy Smith SC Barrister at Law and Member of the Inner Bar of Ireland

Cathy is a Senior Counsel and Member of the Inner Bar of the Bar of Ireland. She has specialised for many years in the fields of Employment and Equality Law to include Irish and European Law. She has represented clients before the specialist employment bodies and in the Circuit Court, High Court, Court of Appeal, Supreme Court and the Court of Justice of the EU. She also has significant

experience in Commercial, Insolvency and Pensions Law, while in practice at the Bar which has built on her prior commercial and legal experience in Smurfit Kappa, BDO Ireland, IDA Ireland, Coyle Hamilton, Dresdner Bank (New York) and the New South Wales Office of the Attorney General, Sydney Australia. She is a CEDR Certified Mediator and has a busy practice mediating employment and commercial disputes. She is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and sits as arbitrator in financial and banking arbitrations. She is also a member of the Company Law Review Group.

PANEL 1 SPEAKERS:



Mark McCloskey (Debevoise, London)

Mark McCloskey is an associate in Debevoise & Plimpton LLP's International Dispute Resolution Group, resident in the London office. Mr. McCloskey's practice includes contentious and advisory work on a range of

complex international law issues, including in international investment and commercial arbitration, human rights, public international law and commercial litigation. He has advised clients in various industries, including energy and natural resources, infrastructure, aviation, financial services and hospitality, under the ICC, ICSID, LCIA, SIAC and UNCITRAL rules, and before domestic courts.

Daragh Brehony



(Pérez Llorca, Madrid)

Daragh is a senior associate in the Madrid office of Pérez-Llorca, specialising in international arbitration. He regularly advises clients in disputes related to construction, renewable and nonrenewable energies, infrastructure, and industrial manufacturing. He is registered to practice law in Ireland, New York, and

Madrid. Daragh also teaches classes in common law at different universities in Madrid.



Niamh Cleary (Fountain Court Chambers, London)

Niamh Cleary is a barrister at Fountain Court Chambers. Niamh has commercial practice, with a particular emphasis on aviation, insurance and

reinsurance, and professional negligence. She has extensive experience of heavy litigation and complex disputes, both domestic and international, as well as of large scale multi-partly claims. She has also acted in arbitration claims in the UK and in Singapore under a range of procedural rules. She is ranked in the Legal 500 for Aviation, Group Litigation, and Professional Negligence.



Nora Fredstie (White & Case, London)

Nora is a senior associate with White & Case in London. She is an English solicitor and a New York attorney. Her practice includes both investment and

commercial arbitration, focusing on energy and pharma. Further, Nora teaches international dispute settlement at various universities, is the chair of Young Arbitration Practitioners Norway, and a Member of the IBA Arb40 steering committee. She has been ranked as a future leader in international arbitration by WWL since 2020.

PANEL 2: FIRESIDE CHAT



MODERATOR FOR PANEL 2

Paul Stokes (Mishcon de Reya, London)

Paul is an Associate in the Mishcon De Reya International Arbitration team. He has experience dealing with a wide range of disputes covering, for example, the energy sector and financial services industry under the LCIA, ICC and SIAC Rules as well as in High Court proceedings. In addition to practising in London, Paul spent three years in Singapore where he gained a global perspective of cross-border disputes.

PANEL 2 FIRESIDE CHAT:



David Herlihy
(Allen & Overy, Dublin)

David is a partner in Allen & Overy's International Arbitration Group. He has 20 years' experience in international arbitration, with a focus on international commercial arbitration, investment treaty arbitration and public international law. David is qualified in Ireland, England & Wales and New York. He has an undefeated track record of success in investor-state arbitration, acting both for investors and for states over the last two decades.







Seminar programme

16.30 Registration 17.00 - 18.00 Panel 1: The Lifecycle of an **International Arbitration** Moderator: Cathy Smith SC Barrister at Law and Member of the Inner Bar of Ireland Speakers: Mark McCloskey, Debevoise, London Daragh Brehony, Pérez Llorca, Madrid Niamh Cleary, Fountain Court, London Nora Fredstie,

18.00 - 18.30 Coffee break & networking

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18.30 - 19.15	Panel 2: Fireside Chat
	Moderator:
	Paul Stokes,
	Mishcon de Reya, London
	Speaker:
	David Herlihy,
	Allen & Overy, Dublin

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