



**International Conference „Specific Principles of the Commercial Arbitration and their  
Manifestation in the Arbitration Proceedings“**

**Friday, 27 October 2023**

BCCI, Sofia, 9 Iskar Street, 1 fl., Hall A

<b>Date</b>	<b>PROGRAMME</b>
<b>Friday 27.10.2023</b>	International Conference „Specific Principles of the Commercial Arbitration and their Manifestation in the Arbitration Proceedings“
9.30 - 10.00	<i>Registration of participants</i>
	<i>Coffee break</i>
	<b>OFFICIAL OPENING</b>
10.00 - 10.10	<i>Brief welcome address to the participants of the conference by:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tsvetan Simeonov</b>, <i>President of the Board of Directors of the BCCI</i></li> </ul>
10.10 – 10.40	<i>Official addresses</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Georgi Nikolov</b> - <i>Deputy Minister of Justice of the Republic of Bulgaria</i></li> <li>• <b>Evgeniy Staykov</b> – <i>Vice President of the Supreme Court of Cassation</i></li> <li>• <b>Ivaylo Dermendjiev</b> - <i>President of the Supreme Bar Council</i></li> <li>• <b>Vladislav Slavov</b> – <i>President of the UBJ</i></li> <li>• </li> </ul>
10.40 - 12.15	<b>FIRST PANEL</b>
	<i>Moderator – Alexander Katzarsky, Vice President of the AC at the BCCI</i> <i>Speakers:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lazar Tomov</b>, <i>Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the BCCI, topic “Concept, Limits and Manifestation of the Parties Autonomy”</i></li> <li>• <b>Dr Dafina Sarbinova</b>, <i>Senior Assistant at Sofia University, topic “Parties Autonomy Limits in Arbitration Agreements in International Commercial Disputes”</i></li> <li>• <b>Prof. Polyana Goleva</b>, <i>Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the BCCI, topic „Parties Autonomy Limits in Arbitration Proceedings“</i></li> <li>• <b>Ass. Prof. Aneta Antonova</b>, <i>Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration at the BCCI, topic “Applicability of Supreme Court Interpretative Decision 1/2020 in Respect of the Nullity of Transactions in Arbitration Proceedings”</i></li> </ul>
12.15 – 12.30	<i>Discussion</i>
12.30 – 14.00	<i>Working lunch</i>
14.00 – 15.30	<b>SECOND PANEL</b>

	<p><b>Moderator</b> – <i>Wentzislava Zhelyazkova, Member of the Presidium of the Arbitration Court at BCCI</i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Rouja Ivanova, Vice President of the AC at the BCCI, topic “Waiver of Right to Object”</i></li> <li>• <i>Anna Förstel-Cherng, Vice Secretary General of the Vienna Center for International Arbitration, topic “Constitution of the Arbitral Tribunal”</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr Silvia Spasova, Member of the Presidium of the Arbitration Court at BCCI, topic “Arbitrators Independence and Impartiality. Challenge of an Arbitrator”</i></li> <li>• <i>Ileana Smeureanu, Arbitrator of the AC at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania, topic “Evidence and Taking of Evidence”</i></li> <li>• <i>Dr Volodimir Nagnybida, Vice President of the International Commercial Arbitration at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Ukraine, topic “Limitations of the Parties in their Submissions: Gross Procedural Violation or the Right of the Arbitral Tribunal to Conduct the Process Properly”</i></li> </ul>
15.30 – 15.45	<i>Discussion</i>
15.45 – 16.15	<i>Coffee break</i>
16.15 – 17.30	<b>THIRD PANEL</b>
	<p><b>Moderator</b> – <i>Angel Kalaidjiev, Member of the Presidium of the Arbitration Court at BCCI</i></p> <p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Andreea Simulescu, Arbitrator of the AC at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania, topic “Allocation on Costs”</i></li> <li>• <i>Elena Milevska Shtrbevaska, President of the Permanent Court of Arbitration at the Economic Chamber of the Republic of North Macedonia, topic “The Arbitration as a Challenge in the New Reality”</i></li> <li>• <i>Ass. Prof. Georgi Ganchev, University of Plovdiv „Paisii Hilendarski“, topic “The Future of Arbitration”</i></li> </ul>
17.30 – 17.45	<i>Discussion</i>
17.45 – 18.00	<p><b>Final part - Closing of the Conference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Blagovest Punev, President of the AC at the BCCI</i></li> </ul>
18.00 – 20.00	<i>Official dinner for the participants at the Conference</i>

**Working languages: Bulgarian, English**

**Deadline for confirmation of attendance: 20.10.2023**