



**IPBA Regional Seminar  
Arbitration at the Crossroads:  
Middle East, Africa, and Asia  
October 25-26, 2015**

Jumeirah Emirates Towers Hotel, Dubai

**October 25, 2015  
19:00-21:00  
Cocktail Reception**

**Co-Chairs:**

**Richard Briggs**, Hadeef & Partners; Dubai  
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**October 26, 2015**

**08:30 Registration/Coffee**  
**09:00 Introduction from Co-Chairs**  
**Keynote Speaker: Talmiz Ahmed**  
Author and former Indian Ambassador  
to Saudi Arabia, UAE, and Oman  
"New Silk Roads of the 21st Century:  
Connectivities and Divisions in the  
Emerging Global Order"

**09:30 - 11:00 First Session**  
"The Seat of the Arbitration:  
The Most Important Choice in  
International Arbitration"

Moderator: Richard Briggs, Hadeef & Partners; Dubai  
Speakers

Francis Xavier, Rajah & Tann; Singapore  
Elizabeth Karanja, John Miles & Co.; Nairobi  
Ali Al Aidarous, Ali Al Aidarous International Legal Practice; Dubai  
Georges Affaki, Affaki Societe d'avocat; Paris

**11:00 Coffee**

**11:30 - 13:00 Second Session**  
"Regionalisation and Culture in  
International Arbitration:  
Is All Arbitration Local?"

Moderator: David Kim, Shin & Kim; Seoul  
Speakers

Ali Al Hashimi, Global Advocates & Legal Consultants; Dubai  
Mehdi Shahla, Parsdatik Law Firm, Tehran  
Dhruv Wahi, Kochhar & Co; New Delhi  
Jil Ahdab, Ginstie Magellan Paley Vincent; Paris

**13:00 Lunch**

**14:00 - 15:30 Third Session**  
"Managing Complex and  
Multi-party Arbitration:  
How Best to Herd Cats"

Moderator: Robert Rhoda, RPC; Hong Kong  
Speakers

Mohammed Al Suwaidi, Al Suwaidi & Company; Dubai  
Andrew Hong, Hyundai Heavy Industries Co.; Seoul  
Juliet Blanch, Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP; London  
Adrian Cole, King & Spalding; Dubai & Abu Dhabi

**15:30 Coffee**

**16:00 - 17:30 Fourth Session, Debate**  
"Arbitrator or Counsel:  
Time to Choose One Role or Another"

Moderator: Alec Emmerson, Clyde & Co; Dubai  
Speakers

Segun Osuntokun, Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP; London  
Sir David Steel, Judge of the DIFC Courts; Dubai  
Dr. Mohammad Abdul Wahab, Zulficar & Partners Co; Cairo  
Omar Aljazy, Aljazy & Co; Jordan

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