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It is with great pleasure to announce that the Athens Public International Law Center (AthensPIL) together with ELSA Athens is again able to host the 8th volume of the Summer Law School on International Investment Law in 2023. Among our many applications we have received for this summer law school and after a due evaluation process of potential participants, we cordially congratulate and welcome all selected students for making it to Athens. Your hard work and dedication have brought you to this stage, and it will certainly carry you forward. Together with our esteemed academic lecturers and legal professionals, we are committed to foster the participants' understanding and legal skills in International Investment Law by providing them with the most recent academic insights coupled with an exposure to current state-of-the art practice. This mixture of theory and practice will equip our participants with invaluable skills needed to thrive in the dynamic field of International Investment Law. Apart from that, we want to encourage you to embrace the opportunity to explore Greece by getting to know its societal traditions and vibrant culture. I would like to extend my gratitude to the Organizing Committee of ELSA Athens, our generous sponsors, and our acclaimed legal experts for making this event possible. On behalf of Athens PIL, I wish all our participants a pleasant and intellectually invigorating stay here in Athens. May this Summer Law School experienced be marked by valuable learning and enriching experiences.

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In my role as the Director of the Athens Public International Law Center (Athens PIL), an integral component of the School of Law at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, I am delighted to extend a warm welcome to all international students participating in the 2023 Summer Law School on International Investment Law. This notable event, now in its eighth year, is the successful outcome of a synergistic partnership between ELSA Athens and Athens PIL.

Our pride in welcoming these students to our Summer Law School is immeasurable. Our firm conviction is that the 2023 Summer Law School on International Investment Law will continue to be a unique platform for law students, scholars, and practitioners worldwide, fostering an energetic dialogue on international investment law. We also recognize the immense value of the cultural and intellectual diversity brought by each participant, and are committed to ensuring an inclusive and stimulating learning environment. During this one-week-long event, we also aim to facilitate the forging of new connections and the development of a global network of future law professionals.

This year, the richness of our Summer Law School's program again includes interactive lectures and skills training workshops facilitated by our partners. My deepest gratitude goes out to our collaborator, ELSA Athens, the dedicated Organizing Committee members, our kind sponsors, the eminent members of the Summer Law School's Faculty, and all those who have committed their valuable time and effort to make this event possible.

We confidently believe that the 2023 Summer Law School on International Investment Law will yet again provide an incomparable opportunity for aspiring law students, academics, and practitioners from all corners of the world to engage in a dynamic exchange of ideas pertaining to international investment law.

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The Athens Public International Law Center (Athens PIL) was founded in July 2015. It is an academic institution that forms part of the Faculty of Law of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. The mission of Athens PIL is to be a leading research center committed to the study and promotion of international law.

The Center's objectives are: to contribute to the promotion of international law through teaching, research and other scientific events; to provide an environment that brings together students, researchers and academics interested in international law from all over the world; to play a pivotal role in the development of international law through strong cooperation and partnership with other academic institutions or research centers, international organizations and other scientific and social organizations.

The Center's key activities include expert seminars and meetings on carefully selected topics of international law; a bibliographical center with emphasis on international law related research activities and publications; bilateral and multilateral co-operation with other academic institutions or research centers; organisation of conferences on topical issues of international law and national and international events; training and education seminars and programmes.



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The European Law Students' Association (ELSA) is an international, independent, non-profit and non-political Union, addressed to law students, trainees and young lawyers. The European Union Youth Legal Athens (ELSA Athens) is the local branch of ELSA in Athens and is active at the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

The ELSA Athens was founded in 2002 as a legal person under associative form. Today it accounts around 200 members. ELSA Athens provides Athens law School students and young lawyers the opportunity to participate in academic activities, seminars, conferences, and internship programs abroad (through the ELSA Traineeships Programme) and thus to interact with students and practitioners around Europe and to experience different legal systems and cultures.

The aim is to promote critical dialogue and scientific cooperation, while equipping participants with skills valuable for a professional life in an international environment and contributing to the vision of ELSA: a just world with respect for human dignity and cultural diversity!

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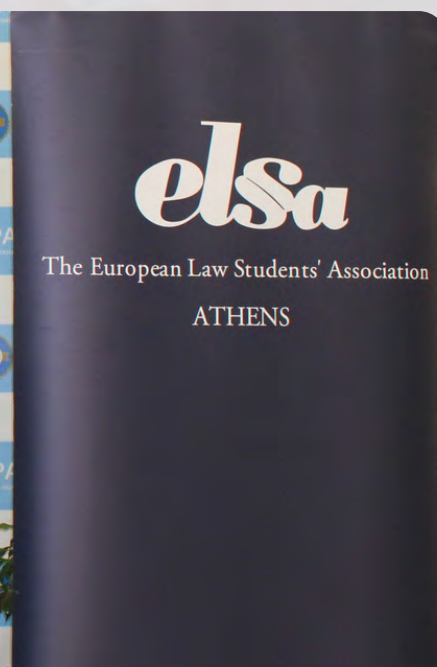




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Alexander has received a number of awards and distinctions for his experience in international arbitration (including his ranking as a Future Leader in international arbitration by Who's Who Legal), but his experience also extends beyond the world of international arbitration. He has handled numerous multi-jurisdictional disputes and serves on the IBA's Mediation Committee. Alexander is a founding member of the Rising Arbitrators Initiative, an organization that provides support for arbitration practitioners receiving their first nominations as arbitrator.

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Sources of International Investment Law and
Consent to International Investment
Arbitration

Michail Dekastros & George Fasfalis

11:15 - 12:30

Investment Arbitration under the ICSID
Arbitration Rules

Bryan Dayton

12:45 - 14:00

Investment Arbitration under the ICC
Arbitration Rules

Margarita Chatzi

Lunch

14:30 - 15:45

Jurisdiction Ratione Personae: Defining Foreign
"Investors"

Eirini Kikarea

15:45 - 17:00

Jurisdiction Ratione Materiae: Defining Foreign
"Investments"

Marilena Chrysanthakopoulou

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Pre-establishment Protection and Admission of Investments in International Investment Law

Walid Benhamida

11:15 - 12:30

Fair and Equitable Treatment & Full Protection and Security in International Investment Law

Rebecca James

12:45 - 14:00

Expropriation in International Investment Law

Ursula Kriebaum

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National Treatment and MFN in International Investment Law

Panagiotis Kyriakou

11:15 - 12:30

Umbrella Clauses in Investment Treaties

Benjamin Samson

12:45 - 14:00

Compensation and Damages in International Investment Law

Michail Risvas

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Challenges to and Enforcement of Investment Treaty Arbitration Awards

Crina Baltag

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The Right to Regulate in International Investment Law

Catharine Titi

11:15 - 12:30

The Interpretation of Custom in Investment Treaty Arbitration

Orfeas Chasapis Tassinis

12:45 - 14:00

Powers and Duties of Investment Arbitrators

Alejandro Escobar

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The Use of Experts in Investment Treaty Arbitration

Günes Ünüvar

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The Role of Domestic Law in Investment Treaty Arbitration

Eleni Methymaki

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9:00 - 10:00

International Investment Law and Political Risk
Thomas Papanastasiou

10:00 - 11:15

International Investment Law and Energy
Ioannis Apsouris

11:15 - 12:30

Independence and Impartiality of Investment Arbitrators
Maria Athanasiou

12:45 - 14:00

International Investment Law and Armed Conflict
Sebastian Wuschka

Lunch

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ICDR Y&I Skills Training Workshop on Written and Oral Advocacy in Investment Arbitration
Nefeli Lamprou (Moderator)
Sebastiano Nessi
Alex Leventhal
Sotiris Dempegiotis
Ben Carroll

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ICDR Y&I Skills Training Workshop on Written and Oral Advocacy in Investment Arbitration (cont'd)

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Decision-Making and Justification in Investment
Arbitration
Thomas Schultz

13:00 - 14:20

International Investment Law and Development
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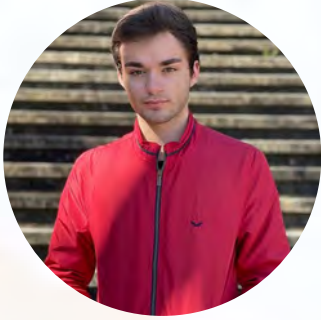
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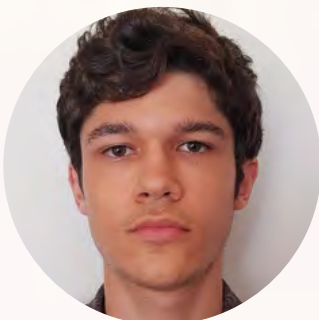
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