

YOUNGICCA

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Dear Young ICCA Members and Buddies,

On behalf of the Co-Chairs of Young ICCA, we welcome you to the first in a series of bi-monthly updates of Young ICCA activities. Together we have embarked on an ambitious project that aims to open the practice of international arbitration to young practitioners from all regions of the world -- and we hope to see many of you actively engaged in new activities in the coming year.

What has Young ICCA done in its first year?

Since its launch in 2010, Young ICCA has set in motion a series of **web-based activities**, including a website with resources aimed at young practitioners, discussions on Facebook and a dedicated Young ICCA blog. Our membership currently stands at over 370 young lawyers -- membership lists are updated regularly and posted on our website for you to use (see www.youngicca.org under "Membership and Mentoring").

Our first **Mentoring Programme** (for 2011-2012) was launched in March 2011, involving around 80 Young ICCA Buddies and Members. Participants have engaged in activities including face-to-face or telephone meetings with mentors, joint research projects, attendance at hearings and workshops and career coaching. Details about the 2013-2014 Mentoring Programme will be posted on our website in mid-2012.

Young ICCA has also co-hosted successful **discussion fora** in Mauritius, Seoul and Geneva, as well as an intensive **skills training workshop** held in Geneva in May 2011 (see Report and photos on our website). This workshop format will be repeated in other regions within the next year (in Eastern Europe, Latin America, North America, Southeast Asia and Southern Africa).

What is Young ICCA planning for the next year?

- New **Regional Desks** will be set up for Africa, Australasia and Latin America. Members and Buddies interested in participating actively in region-specific activities and research should contact: for **Africa**, Lise Bosman (lbosman@pca-cpa.org); for **Australasia**, Jim Morrison (james.morrison@bkl.co.kr); or for **Latin America**, Eduardo Damião Gonçalves (goncalves@mattosfilho.com.br).
- The **Young ICCA Blog** will expand. Anyone interested in becoming a more active blogger or blog administrator may email registration@youngicca.org.
- A **resources page** will be added to our website. Anyone interested in coordinating or working on a resources project starting with the collection of weblinks to web seminars and podcasts on arbitration may email registration@youngicca.org.
- The list of available **arbitration courses** as posted on our website will be updated: volunteers may contact registration@youngicca.org.
- We will seek to appoint **country representatives** to: (1) coordinate future Young ICCA activities in each jurisdiction, (2) provide other Members with access to arbitration resources and (3) collect information on local judges' associations and training programmes for a future project on the New York Convention. Applicants with experience in the practice of international arbitration may send a motivated email to: registration@youngicca.org.

Save the Dates

- 15 September 2011 (Argentina): Young ICCA roundtable and workshop
- October/November 2011 (Prague): Co-Chairs' Circle (led by Young ICCA) discussion forum and Young ICCA workshop
- Spring 2012 (Miami): Young ICCA workshop
- 13 June 2012 (Singapore): Joint Young ICCA-YAP roundtable and Young ICCA workshop
- Third quarter of 2012 (Southern Africa): Young ICCA workshop

We hope to see many of you at these scheduled events and activities. Suggestions for other initiatives are always welcome (and can be sent either directly to the Co-Chairs or to registration@youngicca.org).

With best wishes,

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