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Judicial Dialogue in the Middle East (MEJD)
Bahrain, 3-5 May 2014

ICCA in collaboration with the Bahrain Chamber for Dispute Resolution (BCDR-AAA) and under the patronage of the President of the Supreme Judicial Council of Bahrain will host the Judicial Dialogue in the Middle East regarding the application of the 1958 New York Convention, organized by Nassib Ziade and Marike Paulsson.

The Dialogue commences with a Gala Dinner with a welcome given by Shaikh Khalid Bin Ali Al Khalifa, the Bahraini Minister of Justice; Professor Jan Paulsson, Honorary President of the ICCA Governing Board; Professor Nassib Ziade, CEO of the BCDR-AAA, and Prince Bandar Bin Salman Al Saud, the Advisor to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the Chairman of the Saudi Arbitration Team.

The Dialogue itself consists of interactive sessions on the interpretation of the 1958 New York Convention and regional conventions. ICCA Governing Board Member and member of ICCA Judiciary Committee, Dr. Mohamed Abdel Raouf together with Professor Nassib Ziade, Dr. Hamza Haddad and Judge Yousif Al Akyabi will be moderating the sessions.

The workshop is by invitation only. Judges from Bahrain, Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Kuwait, Libya, Lebanon, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen will be participating.

Participating judges will be given an Arabic translation of the ICCA’s Guide to the interpretation of the 1958 New York Convention provided by the BCDR-AAA.

The MEJD will serve as the platform for the publication of ICCA’s first regional guide on the NYC and will be supervised by members of the Judiciary Committee, Mohammed Abdel Raouf and Marike Paulsson and by officials of the BCDR-AAA, Nassib Ziade and Aysha Mutaywe.

Judicial Workshops

During ICCA’s judicial workshops, experts from the ICCA Judicial Committee examine the Convention’s objectives, suggesting methods of interpreting and applying its text in accordance with best international practice. Experts provide an article-by-article review of the Convention, explaining its doctrine and application, and identifying issues raised by applications based on the Convention. Such applications may concern either the recognition and enforcement of a foreign arbitral award, or the referral to arbitration of a matter filed before a court.

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