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#### **14TH SCLA GLOBAL FORUM**

Lead Reporter: Hermann Knott

### FEBRUARY 26 | 13:00-15:30 CET <u>TIMEZONE REFERENCE</u>

### ROUTES TO ENFORCEMENT OF MEDIATION SETTLEMENTS

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# INTRODUCTION

The explosive growth of mediation shows that the public, when aware, will often choose a non-adversarial option and will likely receive better results in the end. If, as Eleanor Roosevelt said, "The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams," we in the mediation community have much to look forward to. **The 14th SCLA Global Forum** – *Routes to enforcement of mediation settlements* is the among the best platforms to address the future of mediation in this regard.

### The 14th SCLA Global Forum will focus on the 3 most eminent challenges on the enforcement issue, namely:

- Enforcement schemes across different jurisdictions;
- Med-Arb (Converting settlement agreements into consent awards) as a future trend in mediation enforcement;
- Challenges Facing the Singapore Convention on Mediation;

SCLA Global Forum is a monthly event that brings together diverse leading experts such as law ministries, scholars, judiciary, arbitrators, mediators, law firms, in-house counsels, law students, policy makers and legal technology companies along with the non-legal professionals and businesses to redefine the future of the global legal industry. By promoting open and honest communication, the forum inspires cross-cultural understanding and professional collaborations.

When registering through SCLA Academy, you will not only obtain lifetime access to the forum and all the documents but also you will be enjoying a journey of relationship building, as you will have access to all the contact of the speakers, panelists as well as all the participants. You are invited to a lifelong interest group and community to stay connect. You are more than welcome to send emails through the academy to those colleagues anytime and anywhere.



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### 13:00-13:05 CETIntroduction of SCLATianze Zhang

13:05-13:15 CET

Introduction of Mediation Agreements Philip Hackett

#### **13:15-13:25 CET** Cross border enforcement and the practical impact of covid-19 , **Norman Clark**

#### 13:25-13:55 CET

Panel 1: Enforcement in jurisdictions perspective and/or Sector perspective Moderator: **Samantha Mathieu Nazareth Romero, Francis Law, Pawel Sikora, Paulo Fernando Machado, Gary Gao, Kenneth Barden** 

#### 13:55-14:10 CET

Paulo Fernando Machado Hague Convention and the enforcement of the mediation

agreement 14:10-14:20 CET

Peter Pettibone Med-Arb: The Future of Dispute Resolution? 14:20-14:50 CET

Panel 2: Med-Arb PanelModerator:

Godson Ugochukwu 2PM CET TIME Gary Gao, Suhail

Nigar, Philip Hackett (TBC), Isabel Cristina López

14:50-15:05 CET

**Anton G Maurer** Exceptions in Enforcement

15:05-15:35 CET

Panel 3 Challenging Facing the Singapore Convention Moderator:

**Federico Antich (Moderator)** 

Hermann Knott , Doran Doeh, Nikolaj Juhl Hansen(TBC), Peter Ruggle

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## SPEAKERS







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Mr Paulo Fernando Machado, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil



Mr Hermann Knott Partner at Kunz Law Germany

## PANEL 1





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Mr Pawel Sikora, Partner at KKG Law Firm, Poland





Mr Paulo Fernando Machado, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil

Mr Gary Gao, Partner at Zhong Lun Law Firm Shanghai, China









Mr Godson Ugochukwu Partner at Fortress Law Firm, Nigeria



**Mr Philip Hackett QC,** Barrister at 36 Commercia,l UK



Mr. Gary Gao, Partner at Zhong Lun Law Firm Shanghai, China



**Isabel Cristina López,** Founding partner of LOVILL, Panama



Mr Suhail Nigar, Managing Partner at Directus, Pakistan and UK



**Dr Anton G Maurer,** independent arbitrator, Germany

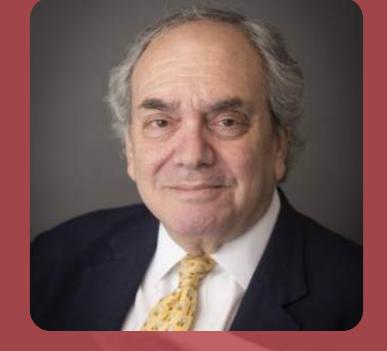
## PANEL 3



**Mr Federico Antich,** Studio dell'Avvocato Antich, Italy



**Dr Hermann Knott,** LL.M. (UPenn), Partner at KUNZ Law, Germany



**Mr Doran Doeh,** Arbitrator at 36 Group, UK









Mr Nikolaj Juhl Hansen, Managing partner of Magnusson, Denmark

Mr Peter RuggleMr Han ZhengRuggle Partner, SwitzerlandPartner at Jinmao Law Firm.China

### **COMMENTS FROM THE FORUM REPORTER**

Settlements are the typical outcome of successful mediation procedures, a major focus of the Dispute Resolution Institute which we are planning to establish shortly as a separate and independent entity in Geneva. One may ask why settlements may cause difficulties when it comes to their enforcement. The parties have agreed about the resolution of their dispute, and there should be no further impediment to completing the process. In practice, reality is often different. Being satisfied about the compromise achieved, the parties should think about the completion of the settlement process.

The worst situation for the party having a claim is to have to sue in the courts of the debtor's country to enforce its rights. In this regard, the pandemic has caused additional difficulties when seeking judicial assistance. In this Forum, our experts will discuss how enforcement should be addressed as early as the stage of drafting the settlement agreement. Furthermore, enforcement tools available at the level of domestic laws will be discussed. Attention will also be given to specific trade usages in certain sectors. Most importantly are the international conventions, the most prominent of which being the Singapore Convention on mediation and its prospects to be accepted on an international level.

-Hermann Knott