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I look forward to welcoming you in London this January.

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"CIS disputes are not drying out. They grow in quantity, complexity, amounts involved and jurisdictions covered. They are evolving. In this regard, the program of the event very comprehensively takes into consideration the traditional issues, as well as latest trends – all relevant. The audience turns out to be blended evenly to allow east and west lawyers meet each other to exchange views and explore opportunities."

Dmytro Marchukov, Integrites (Ukraine)

"The conference has given an excellent chance for lawyers practicing in different legal systems to discuss the most actual issues of international commercial arbitration, litigation and other legal problems of cross-border commercial relations, to communicate and to establish points for their future possible cooperation."

Andrey Gribanov, Lex International Attorneys at Law (Russia)

"The conference was extremely well organized from pre-conference planning, panel presentations, networking events and all the way through to the end of the conference. I do two or three speaking engagements each year and this has been among the most rewarding and well-run programs."

Rick Antonoff, Blank Rome LLP (USA)

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16.00 | 30th JANUARY
*What upsets lawyers most about managing a Russian/CIS-specific case.*

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- Lawyers and attorneys specialising in arbitration, litigation, cross-border restructuring and insolvency arising out of the region
- Barristers
- Asset tracing and recovery practitioners
- Private investigators, enforcement practitioners
- In-house counsel and litigation counsel of companies involved in cross-border projects
- Judges, mediators, accredited arbitrators and representatives from arbitration centres
- Forensic and litigation support accountants
- Third-party funders
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Russian Arbitration Association (Russia)

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Partner  
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Partner  
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Artem Doudko  
Partner, Head of Russia & CIS Disputes  
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Main Conference Day One
Tuesday, 29 January 2019

08.00
Registration, Refreshments and Networking

09.00
Opening Remarks from Conference Chair

Noah Rubins
Head Global CIS/Russia Dispute Resolution Practice Group
Freshfields (France)

09.15
HOT TOPIC

Russian Sanctions-Related Disputes

Yuri Makhonin – Discussion Leader
Head of Moscow Dispute Resolution
Dechert (Russia)

Maya Lester QC
Barrister
Brick Court Chambers (UK)

• Countering extraterritoriality of US secondary sanctions. Protection against conflicts of law
• Dealing with conflicting regulations when faced by contractual liabilities
• EU blocking statutes and anti-boycott provisions in relation to Russia. Private law claims and damages opening to EU parties. Damages claims from third-parties
• Mitigating risks of potential infringement of both sanctions laws and blocking measures
• Existing frameworks and legal remedies related to contentious issues related to confiscation, asset freezing and frozen assets management
• Challenging sanctions: Possible mechanisms and legal remedies

10.15
NEW FOR THIS YEAR

Protective Scope of Legal Privilege and Disclosure: Implications of the Recent Game Changing Case

Michael Roberts
Partner
Hogan Lovells (UK)

10.45
Refreshments and Networking

11.15

Resolving Corporate and Shareholder Disputes involving Russian and/or CIS Parties

Anna Grishchenkova – Discussion Leader
Partner
KIAP Attorneys at Law (Russia)

Sergey Usoskin
Partner
Double Bridge Law (Russia)

Roman Khodykin
Partner
Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (UK)

• Overview of the legal framework, current extradition requests and arrangements between UK and Russia and UK and other CIS Jurisdictions
• Status of negotiating extradition arrangements with the UK and EU member states
• Formal extradition treaties and informal repatriations
• Potential significances

12.30
Networking Luncheon

13.30

The All-Seeing Eye – Transparency vs Privacy in Asset Holding Structures: Where are we Now?

Impact of UK’s Unexplained Wealth Orders on Civil Asset Recovery involving Russian and CIS Parties

Olga Bischof
Partner
Brown Rudnick (UK)

Stepan Guzey
Partner, Dispute Resolution
Lidings (Russia)

• First experience with seeking UWOs in relation to any qualifying assets: Investigations, disclosure and obtaining civil orders to recover assets

Tightening Beneficial Ownership Requirements and Forcing Disclosure in Russia. Tax Disputes

Richard Brown – Discussion Leader
Counsel
Harneys (UK)

• Current status of public beneficial ownership registers in offshore jurisdictions;
• Ways around secrecy: Norwich Pharmacal orders, letters of request and ancillary disclosure.
• Mutual legal assistance requests offshore

14.45
Extradition and Law Enforcement Cooperation with Russia and Other FSU Jurisdictions

Edward Grange
Partner
Corker Binning (UK)

• Overview of the legal framework, current extradition requests and arrangements between UK and Russia and UK and other CIS Jurisdictions
• Status of negotiating extradition arrangements with the UK and EU member states
• Potential significances
Large Investor Claims involving Russian & CIS Governments and State-Controlled Enterprises

Jeremy Wilson – Discussion Leader
Partner
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Maria Kostysktska
Partner
Winston & Strawn LLP

Iain Ferguson
Partner
FSU Law (UK)

- The effectiveness of investment treaty arbitration for protecting the interests of investors and enhancing their chances of proving jurisdiction of the arbitral tribunal?
- The scope of arbitrable disputes in the relevant BITs and other international instruments
- Arbitrability of disputes in connection with making foreign investments in Russia or Russian investments abroad
- Issues of jurisdiction under the CIS BITs

17.00

Damages Claims in Disputes

Noah Rubins
Head Global CIS/Russia Dispute, Resolution Practice Group
Freshfields (France)

- The impact of the breach on the future of a business: Russia/CIS specific uncertainties
- Damages claims and defences from the first stage through to enforcement
- Integrating damages issues into both merits and damages discovery

17.30

Chairs’ Summary for Day 1. Conference Adjourns

Main Conference Day Two
Wednesday, 30 January 2019

08.30
Registration for Newly Arriving Attendees, Refreshments and Networking

09.00
Opening Remarks from Conference Chair of Day 2

Dominic Pellew
Partner – Moscow, London
Dentons (UK)

09.15
Forum Shopping: New Choices and The Battle of Old Seats

Artem Doudko – Discussion Leader
Partner
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10.30
Managing the Costs of Arbitration and Litigation. Third-Party Funding in Complex, Cross-Border Cases involving Russian and CIS Parties

Ben Wells – Discussion Leader
Litigation and Dispute Resolution Associate
Pinsent Masons LLP (UK)

Harshiv Thakerar
Head of Commercial Litigation
Augusta Ventures Ltd (UK)

Jane Davies Evans
Barrister
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- What procedural matters should be considered
- Disclosure of the existence/identity of funding, and related stock exchange disclosure
- Enforcing third-party funded awards
- Jurisdictional considerations
- Attitude of arbitrators/judges towards funded Claimants, including conflict of interest questions

11.15 Refreshments and Networking

11.45
Recognition & Enforcement of Foreign Arbitration Awards and Final Judgements in Russia and CIS

Dmitry Pentsov – Discussion Leader
Attorney at Law, Partner
FRORIEP (Switzerland)

Yaroslav Petrov
Partner
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Partner
ALRUD Law Firm (Russia)

- Latest trends in the recognition, enforcement and execution of foreign court judgements and foreign arbitral awards
- Reasons and obstacles for non-enforcement: What issues should a party seeking enforcement need to be aware of?
- Recent cases

13.00 Networking Luncheon
14.00
US Disclosure Orders under S.1782 U.S.C. – A New Weapon in Russian-Relates Disputes?

Section 1782 U.S.C. allows parties to legal proceedings outside the US (including arbitration proceedings) to seek orders from US courts for discovery and/or deposition evidence from parties/witnesses located in the US, in support of that foreign proceeding. It is highly controversial because you can’t normally get discovery or depositions in arbitration, yet that doesn't stop the US courts ordering it.

Dominic Pellew
Partner – Moscow, London
Dentons (UK)

George Utlik
Lawyer
Kobre & Kim (USA)

• High profile recent examples of this being used in Russian-related arbitrations, specifically:
• The Dreymoor Fertilisers High Court judgement on 21 August 2018
• The Yukos case

15.00
Managing Asset Tracing and Recovery Process involving a Russia or a CIS Element

Mark Forte
Partner, Head of BVI Litigation & Restructuring and Office
Conyers Dill & Pearman (BVI)

Wrap up this year’s event with this informal and interactive session sharing best practice and war stories they encounter during litigation, enforcement and recovery efforts involving a Russian or a CIS element

• How the latest trends in the global market impact multi-party, multi-jurisdictional cases arising out of the region
• What if a party in a litigation in London attempts to influence the outcome by initiating criminal proceedings in Russia?
• How to manage civil and criminal proceedings in two or more jurisdictions?
• International asset tracing and recovery in case of embezzlement of Russian state property
• Offshores preferred by the Russian and CIS parties
• How to find the right firm in a foreign jurisdiction?

16.15 Refreshments and Networking, Conference Ends

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