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15th Annual Joint Seminar

“Third Party Funding and Implications for the arbitration process”

Thursday 12 September 2019 6.00 for 6.30 pm

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Speakers: Prof Dr Jacomijn van Haersolte-van Hof, Maddi Azpiroz, Marie Kelly,
Simonie Dimitrellou, Iain Maxwell

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Third Party funding of arbitration cases can be viewed as an extension of third party litigation funding. But what are the implications in an arbitration, domestic and international? From their different perspectives as funders, counsel and users, our expert panel will consider this topic.

Prof. Dr. Jacomijn van Haersolte-van Hof has been the Director General of the LCIA since 2014; having previously practised as counsel and arbitrator in the Netherlands at her GAR 100 boutique, HaersolteHof, which she set up in 2008. She has arbitrated cases under the ICSID, ICC, LCIA, UNCITRAL and NAI Rules and has, in particular, experience in commodities, transport and maritime arbitration. She is on the ICSID roster of arbitrators. She is a member of GAR’s editorial board and on the Equal Representation in Arbitration (ERA) Pledge Advisory Council.

Maddi Azpiroz is a founder and Managing Director of ClaimTrading Ltd, an independent brokerage firm that arranges funding for litigation/arbitration and monetisation of judgments/awards. She was previously legal counsel with a litigation and distressed debt fund; practised international dispute resolution with a law firm; and served as an official in the European Commission. She was trained at Columbia, Leuven, Brussels and Deusto universities.

Marie Kelly is a solicitor and partner in Norton Rose Fulbright LLP. Marie focuses on shipping litigation and is experienced in multi - jurisdictional commercial litigation. Marie regularly acts for Owners and P & I Clubs on all types of shipping disputes including charter party disputes, ship sale and purchase and admiralty cases. She has a particular expertise in shipbuilding contract disputes. Marie has also been involved in a number of non shipping international arbitrations. Marie is a qualified mediator.

Simonie Dimitrellou is a Solicitor qualified both in England and Wales and Greece. She is an Investment Manager at Augusta Ventures Limited, focusing on the funding of energy, maritime, and international trade litigation. Simonie has experience in international arbitration, insurance, enforcement and asset recovery. She has acted for clients in a wide range of arbitral tribunals including LMAA, SIAC and LCIA. Simonie has previously worked, inter alia, in private practice at Ince & Co, in P&I/FD&D insurance and at an offshore energy company.

Iain Maxwell is a solicitor advocate and partner in Herbert Smith Freehills LLP. He specialises in international arbitration, public international law and he has particular expertise in investment arbitration. Iain acts in international cases across all major industry sectors and advises on issues of sovereign immunity, sanctions, and boundary issues. Iain has also acted in complex litigation cases before the English High Court. Iain has worked on cases administered by arbitration institutions including ICSID, ICC, the LCIA, and SIAC.

Following the seminar, concluding around 8 pm, Herbert Smith Freehills LLP will generously host a reception. There is no charge to attend this seminar but, in view of capacity limitations, attendees please MUST register in advance with Elinor Pritchard at elinor@thevirtualpartnership.co.uk. The event will carry 1.5 CPD points.