Invitation
You are cordially invited to join us at this conference on Trade Sanctions and International Arbitration, organized by Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek.

In the wake of the steady proliferation of trade controls imposed by the USA and EU in recent years, the private resolution of cross-border commercial disputes has been faced with new challenges. Economic sanctions have become a widely used foreign policy tool that may have a significant impact on the enforcement of parties’ contractual rights and obligations. In case of disputes arising in connection with such contracts, also the conduct of institutional arbitration proceedings may be affected.

Date & Venue
Wednesday, 26 August 2015, 10.30 a.m.
Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Georg-Glock-Straße 4
40474 Düsseldorf, Germany


This conference is free of charge and will include lunch and a cocktail reception after the presentations.

Please note that the number of seats is limited. Please complete the enclosed registration form and return preferably by 17 August 2015.

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Program
10.30 a.m. Registration
11.00 a.m. Welcome remarks
by Ulrike Gantenberg (Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek)

11.10 a.m. – 1.30 p.m.
Legal framework and enforcement of contractual obligations
Panel discussion moderated by Dr Klaus Günther (Oppenhoff & Partner)
- Oliver Wieck (Secretary General ICC Germany)
- Dr Gisela Knuts (Roschier)
- Dr Robert Gömmel (BAFA)
- Dominic Pellew (Dentons)
- Dr Mercédeh Azeredo da Silveira (Derains & Gharavi)

1.30 p.m. Lunch

2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Conduct of international commercial arbitration
Panel discussion moderated by Gustav Fleckegiammarco (Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek)
- Annette Magnusson (Secretary General SCC)
- Dr Manfred Heider (Secretary General VIAC)
- Dr Francesca Mazza (Secretary General DIS)
- Dr Bernhard Meyer (MME Partners)

4.30 p.m. Coffee break

5 p.m. – 5.45 p.m.
Recognition and enforcement of awards under Art. V(2)(a) and (b) of the New York Convention
Recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards in Russia
- Dr Reinmar Wolff (University of Marburg)
- Dmitry Marenkov (Germany Trade & Invest)

5.45 p.m. Closing remarks by Dr Wolfgang Kühn (Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek)

6.00 p.m. Cocktail reception
Highlights of the 1st Panel

Only a careful analysis of the effects of the current embargo regime on contracts and their enforceability will allow businesses to identify associated legal or financial risks and adapt their business strategy with respect to contract design and risk allocation. For large-scale and mid-sized companies alike the strict enforcement of economic sanctions and export control regulations requires approaching sensitive business transactions with great diligence and anticipation in order to achieve full sanction compliance.

Highlights of the 2nd and 3rd Panel

Export controls and trade embargoes may also indirectly influence arbitral institutions and arbitrators acting under their aegis. All institutional players involved are increasingly faced with the challenge to implement new administrative processes in their case management activities and maintain a steady dialogue with the relevant authorities in order to safeguard full access to justice. Arbitrators need to tread carefully when sitting in sanction related cases, also given that trade sanctions may have a direct impact on the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards under Art. V(2)(a) and (b) of the New York Convention.

This upcoming seminar on 26 August 2015 at Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek in Düsseldorf will shed light on this wide array of questions and tackle the practical consequences of the current regime on companies, arbitrators, counsel and arbitral institutions from an international and comparative vantage point.

Reply Card

Please RSVP preferably by 17 August 2015.

[ ] I will attend your conference on Wednesday, 26 August 2015 in Düsseldorf via Fax to: +49 211 600 55 255 or via Email to b.meisch@heuking.de

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