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## "Supporting the UNFCCC and the Paris Agreement through International Dispute Settlement"



**United Nations**  
Framework Convention on  
Climate Change

### Official Side Event at UNFCCC Negotiations - COP-23

A key theme of discussions at COP-23 will be the mechanisms that can enable implementation of, and promote compliance with, the Paris Agreement, particularly under the Paris Rule Book. In light of the increasing focus on how adjudication, arbitration and conciliation can promote and support the work of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, **the International Bar Association, the Permanent Court of Arbitration, the ICC International Court of Arbitration, and the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce** are pleased to host this panel discussion during the COP23 Conference.

Panellists will discuss the various options contained within the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement, as well as the agreements, decisions and contracts used to implement them, that enable State Parties and other actors to make use of dispute resolution mechanisms. Under the Paris Agreement, these include the appointment of a conciliation commission, the formal referral of the dispute to the International Court of Justice, and resolution through arbitration. Panellists will consider the opportunities for dispute resolution procedures, including advisory and contentious processes, to be used by States and other actors to incentivize compliance with the Paris Agreement, to promote stable legal frameworks, to develop norms that complement the international negotiations, and to spur development and implementation of domestic law on climate change in furtherance of the Convention and Paris Agreement.

We look forward to welcoming you to the panel discussion and to hearing your views on these issues.

#### **Venue:**

World Conference Center Bonn  
Bonn Zone, Meeting Room 4 (100)

*All participants holding Bonn Zone passes for the UNFCCC negotiations are invited to attend.*

#### **Professor Dan Bodansky**

*Professor of Law at Arizona State University; former climate change coordinator and attorney-advisor at the US State Department*

#### **Christina Voigt**

*Professor of Law at the University of Oslo; Legal Advisor to Norway at the UNFCCC negotiations*

#### **Judith Levine**

*Senior Legal Counsel,  
Permanent Court of Arbitration*

#### **Wendy J. Miles, QC.**

*Partner, Debevoise & Plimpton,  
Vice President, ICC Court of Arbitration  
and Chair, IBA Arbitration Committee  
Working Group on Climate Change*

#### **Kate Cook**

*Barrister, Matrix Chambers, and  
Board Member, Legal Response  
International (LRI)*

#### **Annette Magnusson**

*Secretary General, Arbitration Institute  
of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce*