



Hamburg International
Arbitration Days 2026 

Arbitration and Enforcement Proceedings in the Age of EU-Sanctions and the Russian Lugovoy Law

Programme

Date: 23 March 2026, 9.00 am - 1.00 pm

Venue: Luther, Gänsemarkt 45, 20354 Hamburg



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You are cordially invited to a joint event on sanctions in international arbitration – a topic that increasingly shapes the strategy, conduct, and even viability of arbitral proceedings.

In this high-profile event organised by DIS, CIETAC and CAM-CCBC, leading experts will address, among other issues, the enforcement of Russian Lugovoy judgments in India, Brazil and China and the broader implications of far-reaching sanctions regimes for cross-border dispute resolution. The speakers will focus on the practical impact of sanctions on parties, counsel, institutions and arbitrators, discussing how to navigate restrictions on payments, representation and enforcement while preserving the effectiveness and legitimacy of arbitration and ensuring continued access to neutral fora in an era of geopolitical fragmentation.

Registration

Please register **by 16 March 2026** via the link below. Participation in the event is free of charge. By registering you accept the [DIS General Terms and Conditions](#) for Conferences and Workshops.

Registration →

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09.00 am	Registration & Welcome Remarks Dr. Richard Happ , Luther, Hamburg
09.30 am	Arbitrations Proceedings with Sanctioned Parties Moderator Sebastian Wuschka , Luther, Hamburg Institutional perspective Dr. Carina Alcoberro , DIS, Berlin/Bonn Party perspective Christian Ring , RWE Supply & Trading, Essen Counsel perspective Steven P. Finizio , WilmerHale, London
11.00 am	Coffee break
11.30 am	Enforcement of Russian Judgments under the Logovoy law in BRIC-States Moderator Prof. Dr. Stefan Kröll , Bucerius Law School, Hamburg Enforcement in India Prof. Dr. Ajar Rab , ANR LAW LLP, India Enforcement in China Jingzhou Tao , Independent Arbitrator/ Avocat à la Cour de Paris Enforcement in Brazil Prof. Claudio Finkelstein , Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo
12.55 pm	Closing Remarks
1.00 pm	Networking

Speaker



Dr. Carina Alcoberro is Co-Head of Case Management and Compliance Officer at the German Arbitration Institute (DIS), where she plays a key role in overseeing sanctions compliance of arbitration proceedings under the DIS Rules. She holds a doctoral degree in law from Pompeu Fabra University in Barcelona and has studied law in Germany, France, and Spain. With over a decade of experience in arbitration, she has worked across a broad range of international dispute resolution matters, including international commercial and investment arbitration proceedings, and gained experience as counsel and tribunal secretary in the London arbitration practice of a US law firm.



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Prof. Claudio Finkelstein is a Practicing Attorney, Arbitrator and Law Professor. Editor of Revista Brasileira de Direito Constitucional e Internacional. Vice-president of the Brazilian Society of International Law and full Professor of International Arbitration at PUC-SP, where he currently holds the chair of Arbitration Law.



Prof. Dr. Stefan Kröll is Professor for International Dispute Resolution at Bucerius Law School and member of DIS' Board of Directors. He is one of the directors of the Vis Moot Court and one of the leading German Arbitrators. Stefan has published extensively on International Commercial Arbitration and is in the Advisory/Editorial Boards of several international journals and institutions.

Speaker



Prof. Dr. Ajar Rab is an advocate, arbitrator, author, and professor, specialising in international arbitration, corporate transactions, and commercial litigation. As the founding partner of ANR LAW LLP in Dehradun, he has been involved in high-stakes arbitrations and litigation, particularly in energy disputes, EPC contracts, and infrastructure disputes. He has collaborated with ministries, government bodies, and policy institutes. Dr Rab holds esteemed academic positions, including 'Professor of Practice' at the School of Law, University of Petroleum & Energy Studies, Dehradun, Honorary Research Chair Professor at NIRMA University, Ahmedabad, and Distinguished Visiting Professor at NUJS, Kolkata. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Vis East International Commercial Arbitration Moot, Hong Kong, an empanelled mediator with the SIMC (Singapore), an arbitrator with institutions such as SIAC (Singapore), IAC (India), AIAC (Malaysia), and CBMA (Brazil). He has authored several books, published extensively in leading journals, and had his contributions recognised by the Supreme Court of India.



Christian Ring is the General Counsel and Global Head of Legal & Compliance of RWE Supply & Trading GmbH, the commercial interface and energy & commodities trading arm of the RWE Group. With more than 25 years of professional experience, international arbitration is part of his corporate practice. He has been involved in arbitrations with sanctioned parties both as Claimant and Respondent.



Jingzhou Tao is an independent arbitrator. He has more than 40 years of experience advising Fortune 500 companies on China-related matters. His areas of practice include cross-border mergers and acquisitions and international arbitration. Mr. Tao graduated from Peking University Law School in 1982 and University of Paris I (Panthéon Sorbonne) (D.E.A.) in 1984. He is an Avocat à la Cour d'Appel de Paris. He is also an adjunct professor at Georgetown University Law Center, Tsinghua University School of Law and China University of Political Science and Law MBA Program. He is a Member of the Expert Committee of China International Commercial Court(CICC), a Member of the Board of Global Arbitration Review(GAR), a Member of Board of Trustees of Foundation International for Arbitration Advocacy (FIAA), a Member of the Advisory Committee of China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission(CIETAC), a Member of the International Advisory Board of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre(HKIAC), the Board of Directors of the Saudi Center for Commercial Arbitration (SCCA).



Sebastian Wuschka practices as of counsel with Luther in Hamburg, focusing on commercial and investment arbitration, arbitration-related court proceedings as well as public international law. He also acts as an arbitrator. Among several other activities, he is one of the co-chairs of DIS40, the below-40 organization of the German Arbitration Institute, and one of the editors of a forthcoming volume on "Economic Sanctions in International Commercial and Investment Arbitration".