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Thursday, 1 September 2022, 9:00am – 5:40pm

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Moderator – 3rd Grand Panel



**Sezin Elçin Cengiz**  
Senior Director –  
Competition, White & Case  
Moderator – 5th Grand Panel



**Julian Cohen**  
Arbitrator & Barrister,  
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**Metin Pektaş**  
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**Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilırmak**  
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## SCHEDULE

9:05 – 9:20	Welcome Message & General Global Update in Arbitration by Chairman Paul Key QC, Essex Court Chambers London
9:20 – 9:40	Opening Keynote Address
9:40 – 10:05	Managing Complex Shareholder & Stakeholder Disputes
10:05 – 10:30	Energy Disputes – Response to the Global Crisis
10:30 – 10:55	Construction Disputes: Differences Between Civil Code and Common Law Julian Cohen, Barrister & Arbitrator, Resolution Chambers International
10:55 – 11:20	<b>Networking Break &amp; Morning Refreshment</b>
11:20 – 12:00	1st Grand Panel: Managing Cross-border M&A Disputes & Transactions Moderator • TBC Panellist: • Gokce Uyar, Counsel, Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre
12:00 – 12:40	2nd Grand Panel: Working with Experts in Construction Disputes – From Selection, Hearing and Expert Report – What Works & What Doesn't!
12:40 – 13:50	<b>Networking Lunch</b>
13:55 – 14:10	ITOTAM – After lunch Welcome & Updates Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak, Member, ITOTAM Arbitration Court
14:10 – 14:50	3rd Grand Panel: Updates in Enforcement of Arbitral Awards for 2022 & Regional Updates Moderator • Cherine Ghali, Ghali & Co
14:50 – 15:30	4th Grand Panel: Litigation Funding: Risks, Benefits & Managing the 2022 Boom! Outlook For 2023
15:30 – 15:50	Cyber Security & Data Privacy – New Dawn after COVID
15:50 – 16:15	<b>Networking Break &amp; Afternoon Refreshment</b>
16:15 – 16:40	Updates in Competition Law Enforcement in Turkey Metin Pektaş, Partner, Nazali
17:00 - 17:40	5th Grand Panel: Competition Law in The Digital Age: Issues to Consider & Priorities for Enforcement & Damages – Regional Updates Moderator • Sezin Elcin Cengiz, Senior Director - Competition, White & Case

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**Paul Key QC, Essex Court Chambers London**

Paul Key Q.C. is recognised as one of the leading QCs at the English Commercial Bar. He has particular expertise and specialism in arbitration, both international commercial arbitration and investment treaty arbitration (including ICSID). He also regularly appears in arbitration-related Court matters, including appearing in the English Supreme Court in *Jivraj v Hashwani*. He has been ranked in the top-tier (band 1) rankings for arbitration for over 10 years and has consistently been identified as one of the leading figures in that field (“a real arbitration expert”, “few can rival his expertise, ability and knowledge in the field of arbitration”, “the first port of call for important arbitration disputes”, “an arbitration guru”). He has appeared as advocate in over 300 major international arbitrations worldwide, as well as appearing regularly before the English Courts (at all levels) and foreign Courts on arbitration matters. In addition to his extensive experience in international commercial arbitration, he is one of the very few English QCs to have real expertise in investment arbitration. He has been lead counsel in a very large number of BIT / investment arbitrations, acting both for and against States.

He is Visiting Professor in international arbitration law at King’s College, London, and has lectured and published widely in this field. He has been a longstanding representative of the UK on the ILA International Commercial Arbitration Committee and is also a delegate for the UNCITRAL Working Group on Arbitration.

**Cherine Ghali, Ghali & Co**

Cherine Ghali is an award-winning lawyer, admitted to practice as a solicitor in England and Wales and as an Attorney in the State of New York. She has worked at some of the leading international US and UK firms in London and for leading developers in the Middle East (including Dubai Holding and Majid Al Futtaim) - where she has gained extensive international commercial experience having advised on some of the most complex commercial, banking and restructuring projects in the region and internationally. She started her own practice in the UAE - Ghali & Co with a view to advising on disputes work (Litigation & Arbitration), Corporate, Finance and Investment advisory work. Cherine is also a Solicitor-Advocate, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a member of Outer Temple Chambers.

**Sezin Elçin Cengiz, Senior Director – Competition, White & Case**

Sezin leads the Competition/Antitrust practice group at the White & Case Istanbul Office. Based on 21 years of dedicated competition law experience, Sezin guides clients through competition law aspects of mergers and acquisitions, counsels them on antitrust compliance matters, and helps them navigate preliminary investigations, investigations and other proceedings before the Turkish Competition Authority. She advises clients on managing risk resulting from antitrust rules on their day-to-day operations; designing and implementation of competition compliance programmes, including tailored competition law trainings to board members and employees.

Prior to joining White & Case, she worked for the Turkish Competition Authority for more than 10 years. During her time at the Turkish Competition Authority as a senior case handler, she managed investigations, led on the spot inspection (dawn raid) teams, and performed numerous M&A and exemption/negative clearance assessments as well as privatization cases.

Along with her professional activities, Sezin has represented Turkey in the EU-Turkey Bilateral Meeting on Competition Policy, as a delegate responsible for conducting negotiations with EU officials. She has also conducted joint studies with the World Bank, attended the US Antitrust Policy Training program arranged by the US Department of Justice and Federal Trade Commission, participated in a number of EU competition law workshops organized by the EU Commission and attended or submitted papers on numerous national/international seminars and workshops.

**Julian Cohen, Arbitrator & Barrister, Resolution Chambers International**

Julian has 30 years of specialist experience of heavyweight international, and domestic, disputes. Sums in dispute in his cases vary from small to in excess of USD 2 billion. In addition to acting as counsel, he also regularly sits as an arbitrator. Julian has over 10 years’ experience in the MENA region, including 2 years based full time in Dubai, and an ongoing long-term commitment to the region. Julian has been involved in projects and disputes in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, Qatar, Oman, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Benin, Sierra Leone and Mali.

Julian was called to the Bar in England & Wales in 1990. He was with Pinsent Masons’ Construction Disputes practice in London and Hong Kong from 1993 to 2009. He left Pinsent Masons as a partner in 2009, and was called to the Bar in Hong Kong in 2010. Julian is particularly well known for his heavy weight practice in relation to the Construction and Engineering sectors, the Energy, Oil and Gas sectors and International and domestic arbitrations.

**Metin Pektaş, Partner, Nazali**

Metin Pektaş worked in Turkish Competition Authority (TCA) as a competition law/policy specialist and case handler for 12 years. He was involved in many cartel and dominant situation investigations and merger and acquisition files at various levels in numerous service sectors such as energy, cement, iron and steel, chemistry, mining, banking-finance, health, agriculture, and served as a team leader in the in the last five years. He took part in the review processes of energy privatizations and worked on the preparation of the Electricity Sector Report published by the Competition Authority in 2015.

During his time at the Competition Authority, Pektaş also took part in many legislative studies, especially the Mergers and Acquisitions Communiqué, the Communiqué on File Entry and Trade Secrets. In addition, he coordinated the vocational training of Competition Authority experts and carried out institutional capacity building activities for Cyprus, Pakistan, and Azerbaijan Competition Authorities.

Metin Pektaş participated in and contributed to many international meetings on competition law and policy, including OECD, ABA (American Bar Association), ERA (Academy of European Law), and ICF (International Competition Law Forum) while he was working for the Competition Authority. In 2017, he served as the Advisor to the President of the Competition Authority for nearly three years. In addition, he was with the FTC (Federal Trade Commission), one of the American competition authorities, for 3 months in 2012 and worked on a natural gas merger case in Alaska.

**Prof. Dr. Ali Yeşilirmak, Member, ITOTAM Arbitration Court**

Ali Yeşilirmak is an independent arbitrator, mediator, a vice president and a professor at Ibn Haldun University Law Faculty, and a visiting lecturer at the School of International Arbitration, CCLS, Queen Mary College, University of London. He acts as advisor to the Finance Office of the Turkish President.

He has served as an arbitrator and counsel in several ad hoc and institutional arbitrations. He is listed as arbitrator in the Permanent Court of Arbitration and of the Chinese International Economic and Trade Arbitration Centre. He is a member of the Court of Arbitration and Mediation at the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce (ITOTAM) He was an of counsel to Baker & McKenzie Istanbul (2011-2014); and work as a lawyer in Istanbul in between 2001-2008. He was seconded to Herbert Smith London (2000-2001).

Ali holds an LLB from Dokuz Eylül University, an LLM from the University of Texas at Austin and a PhD from CCLS, Queen Mary, University of London.

He has published extensively on national and international arbitration, litigation, mediation, international commercial and investment laws. Some of his books on arbitration is entitled “ICC Arbitration Rules and Practice (Istanbul 2018)” “Arbitration in Turkey (Kluwer 2014)”, Provisional Measures in International Commercial Arbitration (Kluwer 2005)”.

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