



MIDS Alumni Network Launch Event

“International Dispute Settlement in Times of Global Crises”

Maison de la Paix, 24 September 2021¹

- 9:00 - 9:30 (CET) **Registration**
- 09:30 - 9:40 **Opening Remarks**
Professor Laurence Boisson de Chazournes
Professor Marcelo Kohen
- 9:40 - 10:10 **Keynote Address**
Professor Zachary Douglas QC
- 10:10 - 10:25 **Coffee Break**
- 10:25 - 11:40 **First Panel: Climate Change and International Dispute Settlement**
“Climate change and organization of arbitration proceedings” – *Anna Kozmenko*
“Climate change regulations in investment arbitration” – *Sebastian Wuschka*
“Climate change in international trade law” – *Tamal Mandal*
Moderator: *David Khachvani*
- 11:40 - 11:45 **Technical Break**
- 11:45 - 12:30 **First Debate: “ISDS will obstruct the global climate change action”**
Advocates:
Christine Sim
Ndanga Kamau
Ezequiel Vetulli
Trisha Mitra
Moderator: *Michele Potestà*

¹ The conference is also available online. Register [here](#). If you wish to attend in person, please send an email to info@cids.ch by 18 September 2021.

- 12:30 - 13:30 **Break**
- 13:30 - 14:45 **Second Panel: “International Dispute Settlement and COVID 19”**
- “Counsel’s New Normal” – *Anina Liebkind*
“COVID-19 and legal tech” – *Nicolas Torrent*
“How have arbitral institutions tackled the COVID-19 crisis?” – *Ana Conover & Benjamin Ng’eno*
- Moderator:** *Réka Papp*
- 14:45 - 15:00 **Coffee Break**
- 15:00 - 15:45 **Second Debate: “Arbitration is well suited for pandemic-affected companies”**
- Advocates:**
- Bryce Williams*
Yolande Lagrange
Briana West
Tomas Navarro Blakemore
- Moderator:** *Josef Ostránský*
- 15:45 - 16:15 **Closing Remarks & Introduction of the Elected Executive Committee**
- Professor Laurence Boisson de Chazournes*
Professor Marcelo Kohén
- 16:15 - 16:30 **Presentation of the plans of the executive committee by the elected co-chairs**