

Conference: Arbitration and Mediation in Azerbaijan and the Region

When: 18 November 2019

**Where: Boulevard Hotel, Khagani Rustamov Street,
4C Khatai District, Baku 1000**

Conference Program

- 08:30-09:00 **Registration and Welcome Coffee**
- 09:00-09:30 **Opening Speeches**
Mehman Sultanov, Managing Partner, BHM Law Firm, Baku
David Dunn, Partner, Hogan Lovells, New York
- 09:30-11:00 **Session 1: Arbitration**
Moderator: **Gulnar Gurbanova**, Partner, BHM Law Firm, Baku
Turghay Huseynov, Member of the Presidium of the Bar Association of Azerbaijan,
Lecturer at the Baku State University
- country report on **Azerbaijan**
Giorgi Batlidze, Partner, BLC Law Office, Tbilisi
- country report on **Georgia**
Sergei Vataev, Advocate, Almaty City Bar Association
- country report on **Kazakhstan**
Anna Grishchenkova, Partner, KIAP Attorneys at Law, Moscow
- country report on **Russia**
- 11:00-11:20 **Coffee Break**
- 11:20-12:50 **Session 2: Mediation**
Moderator: **Karl Pörnbacher**, Partner, Hogan Lovells, Munich
Ruslan Mirzayev, Chairman of the ARD Committee of the Azerbaijan Bar Association
- country report on **Azerbaijan**
Sophie Tkemaladze, Head of Georgian Arbitrators Association
- country report on **Georgia**
Alexander Korobeinikov, Partner, Kazakhstan office of Baker McKenzie
- country report on **Kazakhstan**
Lilia Klochenko, Managing Partner, AKP Best Advice Law Firm, Moscow
- country report on **Russia**
- 12:50-14:00 **Networking Lunch**

REGISTRATION: RSVP at office@bhm.az (Ms. Yana Mammadova)

The event is free of charge.

The language of the conference is English, but simultaneous translation into Azerbaijani will be available.

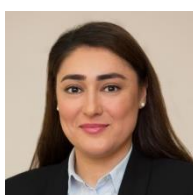
Confirmed Speakers



Mehman Sultanov, managing partner at BHM Law Firm. He has an experience of more than 20 years. He has been a member of the Azerbaijan Bar Association since 2007 and a member of the Qualification Commission of the Azerbaijan Bar Association since 2017. His main practice areas include corporate and M&A, banking & finance, oil & gas, tax consulting, real estate and dispute resolution. Mehman has been recognized in IFLR 2018 Rankings as Highly Regarded Lawyer in Central and Eastern Europe.



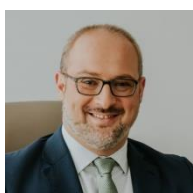
David Dunn, partner at Hogan Lovells' New York office. As a seasoned trial lawyer for more than 35 years, he has tried cases, conducted arbitrations, and argued appeals in numerous jurisdictions. Clients including energy companies, financial institutions, telecommunications and media enterprises, turn to David to litigate complex matters as well as to negotiate related provisions in complex transactions, to proactively limit potential contentious disputes. David regularly represents international clients in disputes arising under laws of a wide variety of jurisdictions, and frequently raising complex issues of choice of law and jurisdiction. He has conducted arbitrations seated in the United States, Canada, Europe, and elsewhere.



Gulnar Gurbanova, partner at BHM Law Firm since 2011. She holds a PhD degree in Law and is a member of the Azerbaijan Bar Association. Her main practice areas include corporate and M&A, corporate governance and compliance, contracts, intellectual property law, technology, sports and entertainment law, as well as energy & infrastructure law. Gulnar delivered lectures in Public International Law as a lecturer at the Faculty of Law and Economics of the Azerbaijan National Academy of Aviation from 2005 to 2013.



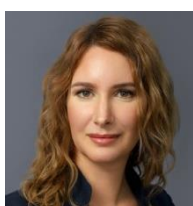
Turghay Huseynov, member of the Presidium of the Bar Association of Azerbaijan and lecturer at the Baku State University. Turghay graduated with honors from the Law Faculty of Kazan State University (Russia) in 1996. He holds a PhD and a Doctor in Law. Since 2000, he is Associate Professor of the Department of Private International Law and European Law as well as Head of the Legal clinic. Turghay is a leading employee of the Azerbaijan Law Journal and the International Law and Integration Problems journal. Moreover, he is author of more than 50 scientific papers, including textbooks for lawyers.



Giorgi Batlidze, partner at BLC Law Office. Giorgi is admitted to the Georgian Bar, having also graduated from the LLM Program of Georg-August-University in Göttingen. He has been lead partner in various energy & infrastructure projects, project finance transactions, as well as commercial litigations and arbitrations. Giorgi is also frequently nominated as an arbitrator on various high-profile commercial arbitration cases in Georgia, administered by the leading arbitration institutions GIAC and DRC. He is a member of the governing board of Georgian Association of Arbitrators, ICC Arbitration Commission.



Sergei Vataev, advocate in the Almaty City Bar Association, recognized as a leading lawyer in Kazakhstan by Chambers Global, The Legal 500, Best Lawyers (in arbitration, mediation and litigation), and PLC Which Lawyer (in dispute resolution). Sergei focuses his practice on litigation, arbitration, and corporate and project finance matters, particularly in the energy industry. He has advised foreign investors in litigation and arbitration proceedings on expropriation issues relating to their investments and defended clients in numerous commercial and regulatory lawsuits. Prior to his sole practice, Sergei was partner in the Kazakhstan practice of an international law firm and also served as legal counsel in a governmental agency and in the Parliament of the Republic of Kazakhstan, where he co-drafted several laws.



Anna Grishchenkova, partner at KIAP Attorneys at Law (Moscow). Anna is recommended by Chambers Europe, Chambers Global, Legal 500 EMEA (Tier 1 in Dispute Resolution: Arbitration and Mediation), Best Lawyers and others. Anna's core specialization lies in construction and corporate disputes, disputes with public authorities, and in bankruptcy proceedings. Anna has an extensive experience in representing clients before Russian and international arbitration centres. She also has acted as an expert in proceedings conducted in foreign jurisdictions. Anna is included in lists of arbitrators in Austria (VIAC), Kuala Lumpur (AIAC), Hong Kong (HKIAC), and Russia (RAA). Anna is a Board member of the Russian Arbitration Center and a Regional Ambassador at HK45 HKIAC' committee.



Karl Pörnbacher, partner at Hogan Lovells' Munich office. He heads the firm's International Arbitration team in Germany and Central and Eastern Europe and advises and represents clients in national and multinational alternative dispute resolution proceedings (arbitration, mediation, adjudication) with a main focus on the energy (gas, oil, renewables), engineering, and construction sectors. He has represented clients in more than 90 domestic and international arbitration proceedings and mediations and has been appointed in more than 50 proceedings as an arbitrator, both as chairman/sole arbitrator and co-arbitrator. He has extensive experience in the energy industry (gas, oil, renewables), construction and projects. Karl worked for several years in Poland and is frequently involved in cross-border disputes involving Poland and other Central and Eastern European countries.



Ruslan Mirzayev, chairperson of the ADR Committee of the National Bar of Attorneys of Azerbaijan. He is a mediator of the Compliance Advisor Office of the World Bank Group. Ruslan is qualified in New York and Azerbaijan, and has extensive experience in international arbitration and mediation for more than 10 years in Azerbaijan, the UK and the US. Ruslan Mirzayev has acted as a lead/senior expert under mediation and arbitration projects financed by the World Bank and the European Union, and before the Constitutional Court of Azerbaijan. He also has experience in advising on development of mediation and arbitration policy in Azerbaijan.



Sophie Tkemaladze, head of the Georgian Arbitrators Association. Sophie is an independent practitioner (mediator, arbitrator, dispute systems designer) and a consultant advising international organizations as well as Georgian public and private entities on various aspects of dispute resolution system, policy and practice. She drafted major amendments to the Law on Arbitration which came into effect in 2015, designed the first court-annexed mediation Pilot Program and advised the Government of Georgia on adoption of the Law on Mediation. Sophie is a member of the Arbitration Council of the Georgian International Arbitration Chamber (GIAC) and an accredited mediator at Tbilisi City Court.



Alexander Korobeinikov, partner at the Kazakhstan office of Baker McKenzie. Alexander focuses on international arbitration, commercial litigation, power, oil and gas, mining and metals, subsoil use, antitrust and competition advisory, and antitrust and competition litigation. He has wide experience participating in litigation in Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Central Asia, as well as in international arbitration cases in accordance with the arbitration rules of the ICAC, UNCITRAL, ICC, SCC, LCIA and other arbitration institutions, as both a party counsel and arbitrator. Alexander is ranked as a leading individual in dispute resolution by Chambers and Legal 500 reporting, "He's enriching their team immensely; he has a lot of experience in arbitration." He is also recommended by Who's Who Arbitration 2018 as an expert.



Lilia Klochenko, managing partner at Klochenko & Kuznetsova (Moscow). Lilia holds a law and PhD degree from the International Law Faculty of the Moscow State Institute of International Relations cum laude and is a Fellow at the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London). She is certified for international arbitration from the ICC Arbitration Academy in 2013 as well as in 2016 and qualified for international mediation advocacy at the Regent University (London). Lilia is a Russian qualified attorney at law who has a strong reputation and profile in her field. Lilia has more than 27 years of specific industry expertise in insurance and reinsurance, construction, energy, transport, IT technology and communications.