



Invitation

International Conference on

Intra-EU BITs and Intra-EU Disputes

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EU Member States have concluded approximately 1.400 IIAs with third (i.e. non-EU) countries and 190 IIAs with other EU Member States (Intra-EU BITs). These Intra-EU BITs have been the basis for investment disputes in multiple investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) cases that are very controversial. Of roughly 140 cases instituted against EU Member States more than three quarters are Intra-EU disputes. While Intra-EU ISDS seems to become an attractive means of dispute resolution, the EU Commission is asking EU Member States to terminate their Intra-EU BITs arguing that they would not be in conformity with their EU Law obligations.

This conference seeks to address the EU, domestic and public international law issues raised in this context.



PROGRAMME

9:00 - 10:00 Registration

13:15 - 14:15 Lunch Break

10:00 - 10:15

Welcome Address

Dean Paul Oberhammer, University of Vienna

Marco Uccelli, EU Commission

10:15 - 11:00

Relevance of EU Law for Arbitral Tribunals in General - Overview

Panos Koutrakos, City University London

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 - 13:15

Investor Rights under EU Law and International Investment Law

Mavluda Sattorova, University of Liverpool

Investors' Remedies under EU and International Law

Martins Paparinskis, University College London A Treaty Law Perspective on Intra-EU BITs

The Commission's Approach towards

Christina Binder, University of Vienna

15:45 - 16:15 Coffee Break

16:15 - 17:45

14:15 - 15:45

Intra-EU BITs

Enforcement of Intra-EU BIT Awards within and outside the EU

Hanno Wehland, Arbitration Practitioner

Potential Alternative Instruments for Intra-EU Investment Disputes

Steffen Hindelang, FU Berlin

17:45 – 18:00 **Closing Remarks**

Conference Fee

Students and academics: 50 Euro Government, NGO and IO staff: 100 Euro Regular fee: 200 Euro

Venue

Top Floor Law School (Juridicum) University of Vienna Schottenbastei 10-16 A-1010 Vienna / Austria

Registration

To register, please visit the conference website: (http://intra-eu-bits.univie.ac.at/)

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