

Webinar Series

# The Role of Investment Arbitration in Tax Disputes

Tax Policy Center  
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Over the last years, investment arbitration as a means to solve tax-related disputes has gained increased attention. The recent awards rendered by tribunals under the auspices of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in *Vodafone v. India* and *Cairn Energy v. India* have underscored this trend.

In light of the growing importance of the topic, the University of Lausanne is pleased to launch its inaugural webinar series on "*The Role of Investment Arbitration in Tax Disputes*".

Bringing together leading professionals and academics from both the investment law and tax law world, this webinar series aims at providing a neutral forum to discuss the most relevant and recent strategic, policy, procedural and substantive issues involving international investment arbitration and tax disputes as well as ongoing reforms in this area.

The first webinar will set the scene and explore the interaction between investment arbitration and tax-related disputes from a global perspective (**session 1 – 11 October 2021**).

The subsequent two sessions will deal with :

- jurisdiction over tax-related disputes in investment arbitration, tax carve-out clauses and in particular future policy trends (**session 2 – 8 November 2021**)
- the host state's investment treaty obligation to grant fair and equitable treatment and its impact on national and international tax policy (**session 3 – 6 December 2021**)

## First Webinar

### "Setting the Scene"

11 October 2021, 14.00 – 16.00 CET

#### Welcome Address

Prof. Vincent Martenet (University of Lausanne)

#### Introduction

Prof. Robert Danon & Prof. Andreas Ziegler (University of Lausanne)

#### The Investment Treaty Regime: Rise and Reform of a System of Global Economic Governance

Prof. Stephan Schill (University of Amsterdam)

#### Dispute Resolution under Tax Treaty Law in Comparison with Investment Arbitration: Policy, Procedural and Substantive Aspects

Prof. Robert Danon (University of Lausanne)

#### Panel Discussion

#### Recourse to Investment Arbitration in Tax-Related Disputes – Strategic Considerations

Chair: Prof. Andreas Ziegler (University of Lausanne)

Panelists:

- Prof. Andrea Bjorklund (McGill University, Montreal),
- Dr Cornel Marian (Alstom/Bombardier Transportation Sweden AB, Stockholm)
- Wendy Miles QC (Twenty Essex, London)
- Samantha J. Rowe (Debevoise & Plimpton, London)

#### Concluding Remarks and Overview of the Following Webinars

Prof. Robert Danon & Sebastian Wuschka (University of Lausanne)

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### First Webinar : Setting the Scene

Zoom online event – 11 October 2021, 14.00-16.00 CET

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