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Introduction

Mahnaz Malik is a Barrister and Arbitrator at Twenty Essex who specialises in representing Governments and corporations in investment and commercial disputes.

Mahnaz has over 20 years of experience in advising Governments, corporations and international organisations on complex cross-border disputes. She has acted as counsel on behalf of both investors and states in several investment and commercial disputes including ICC, ICSID, LCIA and PCA administered arbitrations. Sector specialisms include mining, energy, steel, construction and infrastructure projects. She is particularly adept with disputes relating to joint venture partners, shareholders, institutional lenders and state entities. She also has excellent knowledge of Commonwealth legal systems and managing the relationship between local court proceedings and international arbitration.

Mahnaz's appointment as an arbitrator in *EuroGas Inc. and Belmont Resources Inc. v. Republic of Slovakia* makes her one of the youngest ever appointed to an ICSID Annulment Committee since records began and the youngest woman. She is presently serving as an Annulment Committee member in *Almasryia for Operating & Maintaining Touristic Construction Co. L.L.C. v State of Kuwait* (ICSID Case No. ARB/18/2). She serves on the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators and was on the editorial board of the ICSID Review.

Mahnaz publishes, teaches and speaks extensively. Her writings are frequently cited in academic journals, arbitration awards, examination papers and appear on syllabi. Her professional awards include the prestigious Financial Times Legal Innovator of the Year Award 2007 and the Law Society of England's national award for the Trainee Solicitor of the Year 2001. She has also served as a member of the ICC Commissions on Arbitration and Anti-Corruption. After graduating with a MA in Law from Cambridge University, Mahnaz qualified as an Attorney at Law (New York), Solicitor (England & Wales), Advocate (High Courts of Pakistan) and an English Barrister (Lincoln's Inn). She recently lectured on investment law for the LLM Programme at the University of Zurich. She will start her term as a Partner Fellow at the Lauterpacht Centre of International Law at Cambridge University in October 2021.

"'Startlingly precocious' ... 'really innovative' ... 'the breadth and boldness of Ms Malik's activities are striking. Her experience shows what can be achieved with energy and determination'." (The Financial Times, UK, Innovative Lawyers, 2007)

"... the clear winner of the evening, from the same firm, was Mahnaz Malik, who took prizes for Trainee of the Year and trainee most likely to succeed on the international stage. Her list of achievements, including writing two award-winning books while at school, qualifying to practise law in three jurisdictions, producing a film screened at various film festivals, playing polo, working on setting up a training-and-skills centre for rural women in Pakistan, left her audience gasping." -The Times, UK, dated 30 October 2001

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Experience as arbitrator in investment cases at ICSID

- State appointee on ICSID Panel of Arbitrators (2012 to present)
- ICSID Annulment Committee Member in ICSID Case No. ARB/18/2: ICSID Annulment Committee member, Almasryia for Operating & Maintaining Touristic Construction Co. L.L.C. v State of Kuwait (ICSID Case No. ARB/18/2). Appointed by ICSID. Ongoing.
- ICSID Annulment Committee Member in ICSID Case No. ARB/14/14 ICSID Annulment Committee member, EuroGas Inc. and Belmont Resources Inc. v. Republic of Slovakia (ICSID Case No. ARB/14/14). Appointed by ICSID. Concluded.

Principal Cases as Lead/Key Counsel (State representation in investment treaty, investor-state contract and sovereign immunity cases)

- [Successfully represented the Government of Albania in an UNCITRAL arbitration brought by Sky Petroleum Inc.](#) by obtaining the dismissal of a claim worth US\$1 billion arising from an oil exploration concession with full costs awarded in her client's favour (*Sky Petroleum Inc v Albania, UNCITRAL, oil exploration concession*).
- [Successfully represented the Government of Indonesia in obtaining dismissal of a USD 75 million claim arising out of the bail out of a major bank pursuant to the UK-Indonesia BIT](#) (*Rafat Ali Rizvi v Indonesia, ICSID, UK-Indonesia BIT*)
- Successfully represented the Government of Indonesia in rendering the claim of Saudi investor inadmissible in the first landmark case under the OIC multilateral investment treaty (*Hesham Al Warraq v Indonesia, UNCITRAL, OIC Investment Treaty*)
- Successfully represented the Governments of Pakistan and Balochistan in ICSID and ICC proceedings in relation to interim relief applications over one of the world's largest gold and copper deposits. (*Tethyan Copper Company Pty Limited v. Islamic Republic of Pakistan (ICSID Case No. ARB/12/1, Australia-Pakistan BIT; Tethyan Copper Company Pty Limited v. Government of Balochistan (ICC), contract and mining law*)
- Successfully represented a State in obtaining dismissal of a default judgment against it on grounds of sovereign immunity (inter alia) in the English courts (*Mid-East Sales Ltd –v- United Engineering & The Islamic Republic of Pakistan [2014] EWHC 1457 (Comm)*).

Principal cases as counsel (investors)

- Successfully represented a Saudi investor in establishing jurisdiction against a South Asian State under the OIC Investment Agreement arising from a US\$1 billion steel complex.
- Represented the shareholders of the largest LNG Terminals in Asia connection with claims against the Government of a South Asian State, its joint venture partners and institutional lenders arising from local corruption investigations. Case settled.
- Represented a US investor in ICSID arbitration proceedings against Egypt for claims arising under the Egypt-US BIT in connection with a housing complex. Case settled.
- Represented a company in its claim against an EU member state arising from a wind energy project (*Company A v. An EU Member State, Energy Charter Treaty*). Discontinued.
- Represented a British company in its claim against an EU member state arising from an oil and gas exploration project. (*Company X v. An EU Member State, Energy Charter Treaty*).

- Represented a high-profile individual in his claim against a State arising under the ASEAN investment treaty (*Individual Y v A State, ASEAN Investment Treaty*).
- Represented the claimant in a jurisdictional hearing against the Government of Turkeminstan before an ICSID tribunal (*Kılıç İnşaat İthalat İhracat Sanayi ve Ticaret Anonim Şirketi v. Turkmenistan (ICSID Case No. ARB/10/1, Award, July 2013, Turkey-Turkmenistan BIT)*).
- Represented the investor in the final stages of ICSID investment arbitration proceedings relating to a construction project (*Ickale v. Turkmenistan (ICSID Case No. ARB 10/24)*)
- Represented the claimant in a bilateral investment treaty arbitration (BIT) (ad hoc) against the Czech Republic arising out of the construction of a major shopping mall project (*ECE Projektmanagement v. The Czech Republic, UNCITRAL, PCA Case No. 2010-5, Final Award 2013, Czech Republic-Germany BIT*)
- Represented a Jersey-incorporated company in its claim against an Eastern European Country relating to a real estate dispute under UK BIT (Dispute settled).
- Represented a British company in its claim against a Pacific state under a UK BIT. Discontinued.
- Advised a South Korean multinational in relation to a potential ICSID claim under a BIT over a tariff dispute with the Government of an Asian state.
- Advised a major Dutch company on ICSID arbitration proceedings against the Government of Egypt for breach of the Netherlands-Egypt bilateral investment treaty
- Advised a British sports personality in relation to claims for intellectual property rights' infringement against the Government of India arising out of the UK-India BIT.
- Advised a Cypriot company in relation to its claims against the Greek Government under the Greece-Cyprus BIT.

Commercial arbitration and settlement cases (examples)

- Represented the *Government of Balochistan* in ICC arbitration proceedings against *Tethyan Copper Company* arising from a gold and copper mining joint venture. Representation concluded.
- Represented *OMV* in disputes with its joint venture partner arising from a gas exploration project including an ICC arbitration, English Court action and court proceedings in Pakistan. Representation concluded.
- *Central Asian state authority v European Bank of Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)*: Represented the Central Asian State authority in connection with its dispute with the EBRD arising under a loan facility for a major public transport project (dispute settled).
- *British national v. West African company and West African Prince*: Represented the British national in connection with its shareholder dispute with the West African company and prince (dispute settled).
- *US company v. European state*: Represented the European state in connection with an ICC arbitration arising from a major public procurement project (dispute settled).
- *Company C v Company D*: Represented Company C in commencing arbitration proceedings before the LCIA in a dispute arising from a litigation funding agreement.
- *Central Asian Airline v US Company*: Represented a Central Asian airline in relation to an ICC arbitration against a US aircraft leasing company.
- *British Company v. Nigerian Agent*: Represented a British telecommunications company in a LCIA English law arbitration in relation to a dispute over a technology investment in Nigeria.
- *UAE Shipping Company v. Japanese insurer*: Represented a UAE based shipping construction company on an ad hoc arbitration under the English Arbitration Act 1996 in relation to an

insurance claim against a Japanese firm arising out of a collision between a barge and an offshore oil rig in the Indian ocean

- *US Company v. Indian state company and others*: Represented the US purchaser of Indian metal in relation to multi-party disputes, with its shipper and its state-run Indian supplier, including Indian Supreme Court proceedings and an ad hoc English law arbitration in London

Advisory work for Governments and international organisations (examples)

- *Investment Agreement for the COMESA Common Investment Area*: Assisted the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) (with nineteen-member states stretching from Libya to Swaziland) in negotiating and drafting the Investment Agreement for the COMESA Common Investment Area (CCIA) (adopted by the COMESA Heads of State in 2007). Professor Muchlinski of SOAS praised the CCIA as a “*significant new model...an alternative formulation and points to how future generations of IIAs might be drawn...*”
- *SADC Protocol on Finance and Investment*: Assisted the Southern African Development Community (SADC) (a regional grouping of 15 countries) on its investment programme and revising the SADC Protocol on Finance and Investment (2006).
- *Republic of Indonesia*: Review and training on its BIT programme (BKPM) in Jakarta.
- *Republic of South Africa*: Panellist to review draft model investment treaty and re-examination of the BIT programme.
- *Sri Lanka*: Advised on treaty negotiations with other states and developing a model BIT. Delivered a training programme on investment and trade agreements in Colombo for Government officials (Sri Lankan Board of Investment).
- *Ethiopia*: Designed and delivered a training programme on investment and trade treaties in Addis Ababa for Government officials and assisted with developing a model BIT.
- *South East Asian Country*: Advised on investment treaty negotiations between a South East Asian country and Japan.
- *Central Asian State*: Advised the Government of a Central Asian state on the review of its entire investment treaty programme.
- *Pakistan*: Advised the Government of Pakistan on investment treaty negotiations with the United States of America. Training on BITs provided to the Pakistani foreign office in Islamabad.
- *Latin American State*: Reviewing its investment treaty programme
- *Mauritius*: Advised the Board of Investment on its model investment treaty and national investment policy
- *Seychelles*: Advised the Board of Investment on its investment treaty programme and delivering training to Government officials in Mahe.
- *Kenya*: Advised the Board of Investment on their model investment treaty, negotiations with other states and delivered a training programme in Nairobi.
- *Vietnam*: Designed and delivered a training programme for key government officials in Hanoi on investment and trade treaties and advice on treaty negotiations.
- *Cambodia*: Designed and delivered a training programme in Phnom Penh for government officials and advice on treaty negotiations.
- *Azerbaijan*: Advised on their model investment treaty.
- *Namibia*: Advised on the investment treaty programme.
- *Zambia*: Designed and delivered a training programme in Lusaka and provided advice on their investment treaty programme.
- *Botswana*: Advised on their investment treaty programme.
- *Iraq*: Trained the Shura council on investment treaties in Washington DC.

- *Qatar*: Advised the Government of Qatar on the arbitration/dispute resolution regime for the International Qatar Finance Centre.
- *Georgia*: Designed and delivered a training programme on drafting and negotiating investment treaties (Ministry of Justice).

- *Austria*: Briefed Austrian Parliamentarians on the investor-state arbitration regime in the proposed Trade Agreement between the EU and USA (TTIP).
- *ECOWAS* (a 14-member regional grouping of West African States): Provided advice on regional investment treaties at a meeting in Lomé, Togo.
- *Caribbean Regional Negotiating Machinery (CRNM)*: Commented on the CARIFORUM investment code at a regional meeting in Grenada.
- *Energy Charter Secretariat*: Expert on a comparison of direct expropriation under investment treaties with English, Kazakh and Turkish Law at the Investment Group Meeting of the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels (October 2010).
- *The United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (UNECLAC)*: Designed and delivered a 14-day training course on investment treaty negotiations and disputes for over 30 Latin American government officials, including those from *Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia, Cuba, Columbia, El Salvador, Panama, Ecuador and Peru*, in *Santiago (Chile)* (June-August 2007).
- *TRAPCA*: Lecturer on a 11-day training course with IISD and TRAPCA (Trade Policy Training Centre in Africa managed by Lund University in Sweden) in Arusha, Tanzania, attended by 29 government officials from 14 Southern and Eastern African countries, SADC and COMESA (March 2010)
- *The World Bank*: Provided an advisory opinion on investment provisions in EU and US free trade agreements.
- *The Commonwealth Secretariat*: Provided a detailed report on Pacific and Caribbean BITs and commented on their model investment agreement.
- *United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)*: Provided a detailed report on CEMAC and ECOWAS Investment treaties.

Awards

- Awarded *The Financial Times Legal Innovator of the Year 2007*
- Listed as a *Leadership Maker* in the *Asian Legal Business's Top 100 Lawyers in Asia (2005)*
- *Wig & Pen Pro Bono Award* at the *Law Society's Young Solicitor Group Pro Bono Law Awards (2005)*
- *Award for The National Trainee Solicitor of the Year* presented by *The Law Society of England and Wales' Trainee Solicitor Group (2001)*
- *Award for The National Trainee Solicitor Most Likely to Succeed On The International Stage* presented by *The Law Society of England and Wales' Trainee Solicitor Group (2001)*

Education

- BA (Hons) Law, University of Cambridge (1998)
- MA Law University of Cambridge
- Called to the New York Bar (2002)
- Solicitor, England & Wales (2002)
- Called to the Bar of England & Wales (2012)
- Advocate, Pakistan (Punjab Bar Council) (2000) (High Courts)

Professional Affiliations

- ICSID Panel of Arbitrators (2012 to present)
- Beijing Arbitration Commission/ Beijing International Arbitration Centre (BAC/BIAC)'s Panel of Arbitrators for International Investment Disputes (2020-to present)
- ICC Commissions on Arbitration and Anti-Corruption (2004–2009)
- ICSID Review Editorial Board (2012)

- ICDR Global Advisory Board (2007–2008))
- British Pakistan Law Council, Chair (2005)
- The Evian Group Brains Trust at IMD (2006)
- Asia-Pacific Law Committee of the American Bar Association’s International Law and Practice Section: Vice Chair (2005)
- New York Bar Association, Chapter Chair (2005)

Nationality

- British
- Pakistani

Languages

- English (native)
- Urdu (Native)
- Punjabi (Native)
- Hindi (Fluent intermediate Spoken only)

Publications (examples)

- Book "Expropriation Regime under the Energy Charter Treaty" published by the Energy Charter Secretariat (2012) (co-author)
- *Chapter on the IISD Model International Agreement on Investment for Sustainable Development: Background and Progress* published in the book “*Sustainable Development in International Investment Law*” by Kluwer (2010)
- Paper on “SAARC & ASEAN Bilateral Investment Treaties” presented at the conference on “*Multilateralism and Regionalism in Global Economic Governance*” held by the *Asian International Economic Law Network (AIELN)* at the *University of Tokyo* on 3 August 2009
- UNDP Issues Paper "IIAs signed by CEMAC and ECOWAS Countries: An Exploration of critical linkages with investment provisions in EPAs" (2008)
- “*The innovations introduced by the COMESA Common Investment Area (CCIA) with respect to investor protection in IIAs, including the investor-state arbitration process*” published in the book titled “*Arbitration and Mediation in the ACP-EU Relations*” containing papers from a conference held by the “*Association for International Arbitration (AIA)*” in Brussels, May 2008
- “*Time for a Change -Germany’s Bilateral Investment Treaty Programme and Development Policy*”, Occasional Paper N°27, *FES Geneva*, November 2006
- *Report on Bilateral Investment Treaties between EU member states and Pacific countries* for the *Commonwealth Secretariat*, 2006
- *Report on Bilateral Investment Treaties between EU member states and Caribbean countries* for the *Commonwealth Secretariat*, 2006

Speaking and teaching engagements (examples)

- Speaker on CIETAC Panel on Effective methods for dispute resolution under BRI/CPEC as part of China Arbitration Week (24 September 2020)
- Speaker on the CIArb Policy Cast series ‘The Geopolitics of ISDS – Global Challenges, International Cooperation, and the Breakdown of Multilateralism’ (August 2020)
- Speaker on the podcast The Tea on International Arbitration discussing ‘The Future of Investment Treaty Arbitration in the EU’ (June 2020)
- Speaker at the BIICL Corporate Restructuring: Managing Investment Risks through Treaty Protections (March 2020)

- Keynote speaker at the Washington University St Louis (USA)'s symposium (21 February 2020)
- Speaker at CIICA event 'International Arbitration in Pakistan: Present and Future Challenges' (November 2019)
- Speaker on the relationship between contract and treaty claims at the Twenty Essex State of Play seminar (September 2019)
- Speaker at CIArb event 'Evolution, Not Revolution: ISDS Reform at UNCITRAL Working Group III' (3 September 2019)
- Teaching International Investment Law at the Blatnavik School of Government at the University of Oxford, 15 February 2018
- Teaching International Investment Arbitration for the LLM Programme at the University of Zurich, February 2018
- Speaker on the *Hesham Al Warrag v Indonesia* case in the UNIGE–IISD Lunch Series on Investment Disputes: Investment Arbitration and Criminal Conduct on 21 September 2017, Geneva.
- Speaker on Panel on Brexit, EU and Foreign Investment at the University of Leicester on 14 June 2017.
- Speaker on Law, Risk and Finance: Time to Rethink in the Energy Sector? at the Centre for Commercial Studies, Queen Mary, University of London (QMUL) on 26 January 2017.
- Speaker on Reasoning in Awards at the Inaugural Joint Arbitration Symposium organised by the School of International Arbitration (SIA) at Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) and the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID): "Current Trends In Investor-State Arbitration: Annulment And Appeals, Challenge To Arbitrators And Transparency", 8 September 2016, London.
- Speaker at "Rethinking International Investment Law: Civic Advocacy, Representation and Participation in the International Investment Regime organised jointly by the Centre for the Law, Governance and Regulation of the Global Economy (GLOBE), Warwick Law School & the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), 3 – 4 May 2016.
- Facilitator of a roundtable discussion for state advocates in conjunction with the Government of the Czech Republic, Omnia Strategy LLP and ICSID at the 5th Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference in Prague on 22-23 October 2015.
- Speaker at the C5 Women in Dispute Resolution Conference, London, 23-24 June 2015
- Training Nigerian Judges at The London International Commercial Arbitration Conference for West Africa, London, July 2014.
- Speaker on Trends in Arbitration in Africa, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators London Branch, 20 November 2013.
- Speaker on investment treaties and development at International Investment Agreements Conference, Freie University Berlin, 9-10 October 2013.
- Speaker on "How to negotiate investment agreements that promote sustainable development?" at the African International Legal Awareness (AILA) Training Programme for African Government officials held in London, 23-26 September 2013.
- Presentation at BKPM, Indonesia workshop on Bilateral Investment Treaties, August 2013.
- Discussion with Cherie Booth CBE QC and Mahnaz Malik as state designees on the ICSID Panel organised by Hogan Lovells and Arbitral Women in London on 01 May 2013.
- Speaker on "Why do States enter into BITs? Transnational Law Project, London School of Economics, 12 March 2013.
- Speaker on LCIA vs. ad hoc arbitration at the British Chapter to the Spanish Club of Arbitration, held in London on 1 March in 2013.

- Speaker on the Key Features of ICC Arbitration at a seminar held in London by ICC UK on 20 November 2012.
- Speaker on the Financial Times Investment in Africa Seminar held in London in November 2012.
- Speaker on investment treaties in Africa at the Simmons and Simmons' Africa Legal Insight Seminar held in London on 02 July 2012.
- Speaker on "Expropriation under the Energy Charter Treaty" at the BIICL-University of Liverpool workshop titled "Ahead of the Curve: The Uneasy Relationship between Green Growth and International Economic Law" held in London on 25 June 2012.
- Speaker on the ICSID arbitration system at the AMINZ (New Zealand Arbitration centre) held in Auckland in February 2012.
- Speaker at the British High Commission (Pakistan) on British Bilateral Investment Treaties and the Bribery Act (2012).
- Guest Lecturer at King's College London LLM course on the Full Protection and Security standard in BITs, January 2012.
- Guest Lecturer at the London School of Economics' Department of Law on "Problems with Investment Treaties I - Do countries know what they sign up to?" and "Problems with Investment Treaties II - How to get out of the Treaty?" (14-17 March 2011).
- Three featured publications on the Columbia Law School and Vale Columbia Centre on Sustainable International Investment Model Syllabi for International Investment Law (2011).
- Speaker at the international experts' seminar "Sustainable Development in World Investment Law" at the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge held on 7 May 2011.
- Speaker on Foreign Investment into Agriculture: Investment Treaties and the ability of governments to balance rights and obligations between foreign investors and local communities at the Land Deal Politics Initiative (LDPI) International Conference on Global Land Grabbing, Institute for Development Studies, Sussex University, 7 April 2011.
- Speaker on "Review of indirect expropriation concept in the ECT constituency" at the Energy Charter Secretariat's Investment Group Meeting at the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels, 5 April 2011.
- Presentation on The International Investment Treaties signed by SADC Member States at the SADC (Southern African Development Community) Workshop on BITs-IPPs for SADC Member States, Johannesburg, South Africa (SADC comprises of 15 African countries), 29-30 April 2011.
- Speaker on an introduction to investment treaties at "Connecting the Local and Global in the Balkans: Towards Accountability in Energy Investments in Kosovo", Prizren, Kosovo, organised by the Forum for Civic Initiatives and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, 9-13 February 2011.
- Speaker on transparency in investor-state arbitration at the British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) Investment Treaty Forum in London, 10 September 2010.
- Speaking on "Do Investment Treaties inhibit Environmental and Social Regulation of Energy Investment in Developing States?" at the Annual BIICL Conference in London, 11 June 2010.
- Speaker at the launch of book titled International Law Protections for Foreign Investment Law in Pakistan- a guide reviewing the international law guarantees available to foreign investment in Pakistan under 48 Bilateral Investment Treaties published by the Overseas Investors Chamber of Commerce & Industry (OICCI) with the support of Oxford University Press (Pakistan)
- Speaker on recent developments in international investment law, south-south BITs and the stakes for states in investment treaty arbitration at the Fourth Annual Forum of Developing

Country Investment Negotiators was held in New Delhi, India co-organised by the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), the South Centre and the Government of India, and attended by 70 participants from 34 countries. Presented Background Papers (I. South-South Bilateral Investment Treaties: The same old story?" II. "The Stakes for States in Defending Investment Treaty Arbitrations: A game of luck and chance?"; and III. Recent Developments in Investment Law) at the Fourth Annual Forum for Developing Country Investment Negotiators, New Delhi, October 27-29, 2010

- Speaker on a comparison of direct expropriation under investment treaties with English, Kazakh and Turkish Law at the Investment Group Meeting of the Energy Charter Secretariat in Brussels, October 2010.
- Speaker on intellectual property rights protection under Bilateral Investment Treaties at a seminar organised by the British High Commission in Pakistan in collaboration with the Overseas Investments Chamber of Commerce in Karachi on 19 November 2009.
- Presentation on recent developments on investment treaty negotiations and awards at the Third Annual Forum of Developing Country Investment Negotiators co-organised by the IISD, South Centre and the Government of Ecuador, held in Quito, 09-11 November 2009.
- Presentation on “Bilateral Investment Treaties and Sustainable Development” at a stakeholder’s workshop held by the South African Government to guide their future policy on BITs held in Pretoria on 20 August 2009.
- Presentation of paper on “SAARC & ASEAN Bilateral Investment Treaties” at the Conference on “Multilateralism and Regionalism in Global Economic Governance” held by the Asian International Economic Law Network (AIELN) at the University of Tokyo on 3 August 2009.
- Speaker on “Admission and Establishment”; “National Treatment and the Issue of Like Circumstances” and the “CARICOM Investment Code” at a workshop titled “Negotiating CARICOM Investment Agreements (State of Play and Way Forward)”, 22-25 June 2009) in Grenada.
- Participation and Presentation on “Core Elements in Commonwealth Bilateral Investment Treaties (BITs)” at the Commonwealth Investment Expert Meeting held by Commonwealth Secretariat on 9-10 June 2009 in London.
- Expert and Presenter at the “SADC Investment Sub-Committee Meeting”. Presentations on Preliminary Findings from a Study on BITs signed by SADC member states, 01-3 December 2008 in Botswana.
- Three Papers presented at “The Second Annual Forum of Developing Country Investment Negotiators” organized by IISD, the South Centre, and the Moroccan Department of Investment at Marrakech on 2-4 November 2008. Paper I: Recent Developments in the Definition of Investment in International Investment Agreement. Paper II: Recent Developments in International Investment Agreements and the Right of States to Regulate: 2007-2008. Paper III: Recent Developments in Regional and Bilateral Investment Treaties;
- Speaker on “What future for the ECT in the developing world” at a 2-day Conference on “The Energy Charter Treaty: Energy Security, Investment Protection and Future Developments” held on 18-19 September 2008, co-organised by the Energy Charter Secretariat, the British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) and the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce.
- Presented “IISD Model BIT – Treaty Provisions for Sustainable Development” on the panel “Recent Progress in Investment Law Making and Procedures for Sustainable Development” at the international legal experts’ seminar “Sustainable development in World Investment Law”, hosted by the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, Cambridge University, 13 July 2008.

- Speaker on the COMESA investment treaty at the Association for International Arbitration. (AIA) conference “Arbitration and Mediation in the ACP-EU Relations” at Brussels, 21 May 2008.
- Expert at the Commonwealth Secretariat’s meeting of investment experts to consider an IIA template for its members in February 2008.
- Speaker on international investment agreements at a workshop organised by the Research Society of International Law (RSIL) for officials for the Government of Pakistan in November 2007 in Islamabad.
- Speaker on investment treaty trends at a one-day workshop on “International Investment Law: Developing Country Interests” co-organised by IISD and the South Centre for representatives to the WTO and UN agencies, Geneva, 30 November 2007.
- Presentation on “The Expanding Jurisdiction of Investment Treaty Tribunals”, published by IISD, at the “First Annual Forum of Developing Country Investment Negotiators” held 1-2 October 2007 held at the Centre on Asia and Globalization, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy at the National University of Singapore.
- Presentation on investment treaties to ACP (African, Caribbean and Pacific) State Ambassadors at the “UNDP Regional Workshop for Sub-Saharan African Countries on EPAs: Investment, Competition and Public Procurement Issues” in Brussels on 13 July 2007.
- Speaker at the BIICL (British Institute of International and Comparative Law) seminar on “Bolivia’s withdrawal from ICSID: Legal and Practical Consequences of Denouncing the ICSID Convention”, in London on 20 June 2007.
- Speaker at the Henrich Bohl Expert Roundtable "Resource Governance in Africa in the 21st century" in Berlin on 26-28 March, 2007.
- Speaker at the “ACP-EU EPA Roundtable with ACP Ambassadors on Investment, Development and Regional Trade Deals- A case study of EU-ACP Economic Partnership Agreements” in Brussels on 13 December 2006.
- Speaker at The BIICL Investment Treaty Forum conference on “The 2006 Amendments to the ICSID Arbitration Rules” in London on 13 July 2006.
- Training of South Asian Journalists on free trade areas and investment treaties organised by the United Nations Development Programme in Colombo in December 2005;
- Presentation to WTO Ambassadors on “Investment Agreements and the Challenges for Sustainable Development” at The South Centre, Geneva on 26 October 2005.
- Co-chair of the New York State Bar Association Annual Conference's Session on “Trans-Atlantic Arbitration: Choice of Forum: London or New York?” in London on 20 October 2005.
- Speaker on “International Arbitration in Investment Treaties- A Developing Country Perspective” at the Indian Society of International Law's Second International Law Conference in New Delhi , 14-17 November 2004.
- Programme Chair and organiser of the Symposium on the proposed US-Pakistan Bilateral Investment Treaty held in collaboration with American Bar Association, the British Pakistan Law Council and the New York State Bar Association attended by over 80 lawyers, including those from the World Bank UNCTAD, and major City law firms to provide Pakistan and other developing countries advice on the US Model investment treaty in London on 12 October 2004.