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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL
ARBITRATION COMMISSION**

Friday, 25 May 2018, 14.00, Warsaw, Hotel Sofitel Warsaw

1. 14 participants attended the commission meeting.
2. Opening – New members – the “sense” of the Commission

Members are welcomed to the Meeting. The “sense” of the Commission is explained and new members are encouraged to actively get involved in the works of the Commission.

3. Approval of the previous minutes

The previous minutes are approved.

4. Update on the Annual Congress in Brussels – August 2018

The participants were updated on the preparations regarding the session where the Int’l Arb. Commission will participate. It was explained that the theme of the session was “Dispute resolution in an ever more globalised world: When litigating sails abroad.”

The Brussels work coordinator made an appearance to confirm that our commission already had a theme, panel name, with just pending the definition on the roster of speakers which within the next few days needs to be defined.

Participants were encouraged by the Commission Officer leading the meeting to express their interest in speaking at the conference.

5. 10th Annual Arbitration Conference in Singapore – 2018

An update on the progress was given by Eduardo J. De la Peña, chair of the Organizing Committee. It was highlighted that this event will mark the milestone 10th Anniversary of the commission’s hallmark event.

The theme of the conference was noted will be: “Time to take stock. Is international arbitration heading in the right direction? A frank and open discussion.” It was explained as well that the focus of the event will be on debating the most profound

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transformations that have taken place in arbitration for the past ten years and what will the future hold.

6. 11th Annual Arbitration Conference in Zurich – 2019

It was first confirmed that we will be hosting in Zurich from June 13 to 15 of 2019 the 11th Annual Arbitration Conference. A member of the OC, Elena Kadelburger, spoke about the plans the OC has for what promises to be a great event.

7. Annual Congress in Rome – September 2019

Jean-Philippe Arroyo, Work Coordinator of the Rome 2019 Annual Congress, appeared at the meeting and explained what they are planning. He said that the overarching theme of the scientific program will be “Sustainability,” which he explains doesn’t need to translate to environmental issues. He invited us to start thinking about what we want to do. The plan is to divide in two parts each day of the scientific program. The first part with plenary sessions anchored by a keynote speaker and then followed by a commission driven and organized panel/workshops with 1.5 hour duration.

In attendance at the commission meeting were Chiara Caliandro and Francesca Salerno from Italy, which are part of the Rome OC. They said that “Third-party funding” is an issue that could be explored as a contribution of the Int’l Arb. Commission to the scientific program as that element is fundamental to the sustainability of the arbitration system. We discussed about the recent Queen Mary report on the topic. Ideas were floated about potential keynote speakers. This interesting discussion will continue in upcoming meetings of the commission.

8. Other Events, Co-operations and Seminar Slots

A new member, Marlen Estevez Sanz from Madrid, suggested to organize an event in Madrid on M&A Arbitration. She offered to help in the organization of it.

Members were also invited to start thinking about whether they were interested in submitting a proposal to host in their cities the 12th Annual Arbitration on 2020.

9. Miscellaneous

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10. Next meeting

The next meeting will be in August in connection with the Annual Congress in Brussels.