



# Effective Dispute Resolution: From Setting the Stage to Starting the Process Dispute Resolution Clauses and Initial Submissions

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# Organisation

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This workshop is part of the Master Class Series of the Austrian Arbitration Academy jointly organised by the University of Vienna, the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC), the Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners (YAAP) and the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb/Aut).

Professor Paul Oberhammer (University of Vienna) and Alice Fremuth-Wolf (VIAC) serve as Course Directors of the Austrian Arbitration Academy.

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The Master class series addresses the following groups of participants:

- Young practitioners (in particular junior associates/Rechtsanwalts-anwärterInnen) working in the field of dispute resolution
- PHD candidates and diploma students specialising in arbitration

Austrian associates may apply for individual accreditation for the participation from the Vienna Bar Association (“Anerkennung einer Ausbildungsveranstaltung durch die RAK Wien”).

# Workshop Information

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## Participants

maximum 20 participants

## Costs

EUR 150 including refreshments

## Certificate

Participants will receive a certificate of participation for each Master Class.

## Registration

Please apply to [office@viac.eu](mailto:office@viac.eu)

# Biography

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**Anne-Karin Grill** is a partner at Vavrovsky Heine Marth in Vienna. She is highly regarded for her expertise and extensive experience in assisting clients with a broad range of international arbitration matters. Anne-Karin's experience includes, among other things, acting as legal counsel in proceedings in accordance with the rules of key arbitral institutions. Also, she acts for investors and governments alike in investor-state arbitrations conducted under the ICSID and UNCITRAL Rules. Anne-Karin regularly sits as (sole) arbitrator and acts as CEDR accredited mediator in multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes.

Anne-Karin serves as a member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration. She is also a member of the board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb|Aut). Besides her engagement as lecturer at the University of Vienna, she is a sought-after speaker at international conferences and the author of numerous publications in her fields of specialisation.

**Elisabeth Vanas-Metzler** has been serving as Deputy Secretary General of VIAC since January 2018. She joined the VIAC Secretariat in October 2017. Elisabeth Vanas-Metzler studied law at the University of Vienna (Mag. iur. 2003, Dr. iur. 2008), the University of Geneva (2002) and the Harvard Law School (LL.M. 2007). She served as research assistant at the Department for Commercial and Business Law at the Faculty of Law at the University of Vienna. Later, she worked with renowned international law firms in Vienna and Bogotá (Colombia), first as an associate and then as an attorney-at-law. Her practice focused on dispute resolution and in particular international commercial arbitration, including experience as a party representative, administrative secretary and arbitrator. Elisabeth Vanas-Metzler has been very active in this field, including the Willem C. Vis Moot, publications, lectures and memberships. She speaks German, English and Spanish.

**Smaranda Miron** is an energy lawyer with the Energy Community Secretariat, an international organisation based in Vienna. She handles energy disputes (cases against the Contracting Parties of the Energy Community), supports Energy Community Secretariat's Dispute Resolution and Negotiation Centre and works, together with the competent national authorities, towards a full implementation of the Energy Community acquis.

Before joining the Energy Community Secretariat, Smaranda worked as an associate in the International Arbitration Group of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer and as a public procurement case-handler with the European Commission.

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# Workshop Schedule

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**4:00-6:00 pm**

Anne-Karin Grill

## Designing Dispute Resolution Processes – the Good, the Bad, the Ugly

- Arbitration
- Mediation
- Multi-tier Dispute Resolution
- *Ad hoc* Agreements vs. Institutional Frameworks

*Lecture and discussion*

**6:00-6:15 pm**

**Coffee break**

**6:15-7:15 pm**

Elisabeth Vanas-Metzler

## Initiating the Proceedings

- Commencing the Arbitration
- Request for Arbitration vs. Full Statement of Claim
- Commencing a Mediation or other ADR Proceedings
- Requesting VIAC to act as appointing authority /  
to support ad-hoc proceedings

*Lecture and discussion*

**7:15-7:45 pm**

Smaranda Miron

## The Energy Sector – to Arbitrate or Not to Arbitrate?

- Political sensitivity
- Challenges at enforcement level in investor-state arbitration
- Amicable settlement as a (potentially) better option

*Lecture and discussion*

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