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Meg Kinnear is the Secretary-General of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and a Vice President of the World Bank.

Prior to joining ICSID, she worked as Senior General Counsel (2006-2009) and Director General of the Trade Law Bureau of Canada (1999-2006). Prior to this, she was the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Minister of Justice of Canada (1996 -1999) and Counsel at the Civil Litigation Section of the Canadian Department of Justice (1984-1996).

She has frequently spoken on and published with respect to international investment law and procedure, including as a co-author of *Investment Disputes under NAFTA* (Kluwer Law Publications, June 2006; updated editions released January 2008 and June 2009).

She holds degrees from the University of Virginia (LL.M.) and McGill University (LL.B.). She is admitted to the Bar of the Law Society of Upper Canada (Ontario) and the District of Columbia Bar.

Anna Joubin-Bret

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Anna Joubin-Bret is the Secretary of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and the Director of the International Trade Law Division in the Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations, which functions as the substantive secretariat for UNCITRAL. She is the ninth Secretary of the Commission since it was established by the General Assembly in 1966.

Prior to her appointment on 24 November 2017, she practiced law in Paris, specializing in International Investment Law and Investment Dispute Resolution. She focused on serving as counsel, arbitrator, mediator and conciliator in international investment disputes. She served as arbitrator in several ICSID, UNCITRAL and ICC disputes. Prior to 2011 and for 15 years, she was the Senior Legal Adviser for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). She edited and authored seminal research and publications on international investment law, notably the Sequels to UNCTAD IIA Series and co-edited with Jean Kalicki a book on Reform of Investor-State Dispute Settlement in 2015.

She holds a post-graduate degree (DEA) in Private International Law from the University of Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne, a Masters Degree in International Economic Law from University Paris I and in Political Science from Institut d'Etudes Politiques. She was Legal Counsel in the legal department of the Schneider Group, General Counsel of the KIS Group and Director-Export of Pomagalski S.A. She was appointed judge at the Commercial Court in Grenoble (France) and was elected Regional Counsellor of the Rhône-Alpes Region in 1998.

Judith Knieper (online)

Legal Officer, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)



Judith Knieper is a legal officer at the Secretariat of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) in Vienna. She is the Secretary of Working Group II on Dispute Settlement, also services Working Group III on Investor-State Dispute Settlement Reform and is responsible for Mediation.

Until her appointment to the Secretariat, she had been working in South East Europe from 1998 -2013 for numerous donors/organizations, e.g. OSCE, CoE, Worldbank and GIZ, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit, the German international cooperation.

She obtained both Legal State Exams in Frankfurt, Germany as well as her PhD and is also qualified and certified as a Mediator.

Mitsuru Claire Chino / 茅野みつる

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Mitsuru Claire Chino is a bilingual and bicultural (U.S. and Japan) senior business executive with a Fortune Global 500 company and an international lawyer with 30+ years' experience. She was a partner of an international law firm prior to joining ITOCHU, a diversified industrials. With ITOCHU over the years, she has served as Global General Counsel, CEO of its North American operations and an Audit & Supervisory Board member. Since April, Claire is Managing Executive Officer in charge of corporate communications.

She is a graduate of Smith College (B.A. cum laude) and Cornell Law School (J.D.), where she serves on the advisory board. She has been recognized by the World Economic Forum (Young Global Leader), Newsweek Japan (100 Japanese Women Recognized by the World), Yale University (Yale World Fellow), Financial Times (Top 10 Global General Counsel), California Lawyers Association (Warren Christopher International Lawyer of the Year), Smith College (Smith Medal), among others.

スミス・カレッジ卒業 (BA cum laude)、コーネル・ロースクール修了 (JD)。カリフォルニア州弁護士。国際法律事務所のパートナーを経て、伊藤忠商事に入社。2013年に大手総合商社初の女性執行役員に就任、同年、伊藤忠商事法務部長に就任。伊藤忠米国法人 (伊藤忠インターナショナル会社) 社長兼 CEO、伊藤忠商事常勤監査役を経て、2023年4月より現職。

Young Global Leader (世界経済フォーラム)、Asia21 (アジア・ソサエティ)、「世界が認めた日本人女性 100 人」(ニューズウィーク日本版)、Yale World Fellow (エール大学)、Top 10 Global General Counsel (ファイナンシャル・タイムズ)、Warren Christopher International Lawyer of the Year (カリフォルニア弁護士会)、Smith College Medal (スミス・カレッジ) 等に選出。

Hi-Taek Shin

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Professor Hi-Taek Shin is an arbitrator at Twenty Essex Chambers in London/Singapore.

He has unique experience combining a successful career as a counsel, academic, and arbitrator, as well as in the public service. Until 2007, he had long been a partner of Kim & Chang, the leading Korean law firm. From 2007 to 2017, he was a professor at Seoul National University Law School teaching international investment law and investor-State arbitration. From 2016 to 2019, he served as the Chairman of the Korea Trade Commission, the trade-remedy authorities of the Korean Government. He also served as the Chairman of KCAB INTERNATIONAL, the international division of the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board until recently.

He has been appointed as a sole, presiding, and co-arbitrator in international investment and commercial arbitrations under the ICSID Convention and rules of major international arbitral institutions. He is on the panel of arbitrators of HKIAC, AAA/ICDR, ICSID, JCAA, KCAB INTERNATIONAL and SIAC, to name a few.

He co-authored a chapter in *Balancing the Protection of Foreign Investors and State Responses in the Post-Pandemic World* (Y. Levashova and P. Lorring, eds., Wolters Kluwer 2022) and “ICSID Administrative and Financial Regulations” in *ICSID Rules and Regulations 2022: Article-by-Article Commentary* (R.Happ and S.Wilske, C.H.Beck, 2022).

Joe Tirado

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Joe Tirado has over 30 years of dispute resolution experience and has handled hundreds of cases across a broad range of industry sectors as counsel, arbitrator, mediator, conciliator, adjudicator and expert determiner in more than 65 jurisdictions. He is a partner at leading Spanish and Latin American firm, Garrigues.

He has represented sovereign governments, multi-national corporations and high net worth individuals. He has been recognized consistently as a ranked individual for international arbitration and ADR in leading legal directories. He has been described as “first class” and “best known for his work on energy-related disputes, but is also recognized for his financial services and public international law expertise”.

He is a solicitor-advocate with full rights of audience before all civil courts in England & Wales, an accredited commercial and Investor-State mediator, a Civil Mediation Council Fellow, an ICSID conciliator and a panel member of a number of leading invitation-only arbitration and mediation panels, including the European Union and the United Nations.

He is a past Co-Chair of the IBA Mediation Committee.

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Isomi Suzuki is the managing partner at Koga & Partners, Attorneys-at-Law, in Tokyo (also admitted to New York). He received his LL.B. from Hitotsubashi University and graduated from the Legal Research and Training Institute of the Supreme Court. He also received an LL.M. from the University of California at Berkeley while studying on a Fulbright Scholarship.

He has served as a commissioner on the United Nations Security Council Compensation Commission from 1998 to 2005. He also served as the president of the Committees of Japan Federation of Bar Associations on Enactment of Laws Concerning Private International Law and International Jurisdiction and on Review of the Investor-State Disputes Arbitration in the Trans Pacific Partnership Agreement. He served as the president of LAWASIA ("Law Association for Asia and the Pacific). In addition, currently he is an adviser of the Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution Regarding Fukushima Nuclear Accident for the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology, and on the Panel of Conciliators designated by the Japanese government for International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes.

第二東京弁護士会所属、古賀総合法律事務所代表パートナー、ニューヨーク州弁護士。
一橋大学法学部卒業後、フルブライト留学生としてカリフォルニア大学バークレー校にて法学修士取得。

1998年～2005年国連安全保障理事会補償委員会コミッショナー、LAWASIA元会長。日弁連では、国際私法現代化及び国際裁判管轄制度に関する検討会議、国際商事・投資仲裁ADRワーキンググループなどにおいて座長を歴任。現在、福島第一原子力発電所事故に関わる原子力損害賠償紛争解決センター顧問、ICSID（国際投資紛争解決センター）日本政府指名調停人候補。

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長島・大野・常松法律事務所パートナー。国際紛争解決の交渉、訴訟、仲裁、調停及び紛争予防を主に手がける。JV、M&A、資源、投資、保険、建設、技術移転、知財ライセンス、販売代理店等の幅広い分野の紛争に関する主要な仲裁機関の仲裁において代理人、仲裁人を務める。日本政府の指名による ICSID 仲裁人パネルメンバー。ICCA 理事、日本仲裁人協会（JAA）常務理事、スイス仲裁協会（ASA）理事、ICC 国際仲裁裁判所（ICC Court）及びロンドン国際仲裁裁判所（LCIA Court）の元副所長。