



*professional course*

# ARBITRATION MODULE

*Associate Arbitrator Level*

**OCTOBER 2017 – DECEMBER 2017**

*Venue: UCLan Cyprus Campus, Pyla, Larnaka*

***Those who successfully pass the final exam will be awarded with the title of Associate Arbitrator***

**TO APPLY**, you may complete an application form at:

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Dates: **Every Friday, 20 October – 1 December** | Teaching hours: **15:30 - 18:30**

Language of Instruction: **English** | Course fees: **€600 + €150 examination fee**

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Arbitration is a private mode of dispute resolution, which is offered as an alternative to litigation and it provides final and binding decisions.

Since 2015 both the Cyprus Arbitration and Mediation Centre (the "Centre") in coordination with the Law School of UCLan Cyprus have been offering a professional course on Arbitration. Since November 2016, the Centre operates under the auspices of the Cyprus Bar Association.

The course will consist of three modules. Each module will be taught in lecture form over a 7-week period and at the end of the module a written examination will be held.

Those who complete each module successfully will be awarded by the Centre with the title of Associate Arbitrator, Arbitrator and Arbitrator Fellow respectively and be registered in its register of arbitrators. It should be stressed that the successful completion of the course only constitutes the starting point of a career in the field of

arbitration, which cannot be achieved without further practical experience in a highly competitive environment. The first module will start on the 20th of October 2017 and conclude the 1st of December 2017.

The first module focuses on the basic principles of arbitration and on the framework of domestic arbitration in Cyprus. The module is suitable for both lawyers and non-lawyers, thus some general legal concepts will be also covered. Each subject will be examined both on its theoretical and practical aspects, in order to prepare the students for a successful career in the arbitration field.

The Centre selects/appoints its arbitrator(s) for each arbitration case in accordance with internal rules, primarily subject to the arbitrator's knowledge in the relevant sector, experience and expertise which are substantially required for a proper and due conduct of the arbitration proceedings.

## *module structure*

*Week 1 – 20 October 2017:*  
*OPENING EVENT*

**Introduction to the course, philosophical moralities of arbitration, what is ADR.  
Arbitration and its growing global importance.  
The main principles and the two types of arbitration.**

*Week 2 – 27 October 2017:*

**Rules of Contract**

*Week 3 – 3 November 2017:*

**Rules of Tort  
Rules of Evidence**

*Week 4 – 10 November 2017:*

**The necessary formalities of the Arbitration Agreement.  
The concept of arbitrability in Cypriot Law.**

*Week 5 – 17 November 2017:*

**The role of the court in the arbitration process.**

*Week 6 – 24 November 2017:*

**Mandatory provisions and optional provisions.  
Establishment of the tribunal and arbitrators' nomination.**

*Week 7 – 1 December 2017:*

**The duties of arbitrators  
Enforcement and challenges of awards in Cyprus.**

# lecturers and biographies

## Costas Tsirides

Studied law in the United Kingdom and called to the English Bar as a member of the Honorable Society of the Middle Temple. Lectured law with the Law Tutors and in particular in the subjects of Company Law, Law of Contract, Law of Torts, Equitable Remedies and Executors and Administrators.

Returned to Cyprus and established in 1970 his own practice, having founded the Law Firm of Costas Tsirides & Co. of which he was the leader until his retirement from practice at the end of 2009. He is now a consultant to the said Law Firm. He is one of the Founder Members of the Cyprus Arbitration and Mediation Centre and is currently the President of the said Centre.

Served as President of the Cyprus Licensing Authority, an appointment by the Council of Ministers of Cyprus. Served as Vice-President of the Pancyprian Association of Advocates for 9 years and as a member of the Cyprus Legal Council for 10 years. Also served as President of the Limassol Bar Association for 3 years. Represented the Cyprus Bar Association, as it was then and later Pan Cyprian Association of Advocates at various international conferences. Was appointed by the Cyprus Legal Council, in July 1996 as an examiner for the Cyprus Bar Examinations and in October of the same year was also appointed as the coordinator of the said examinations. He has lectured and examined on many subjects including the Law of Contract, the Law of Torts, Criminal Procedure, Civil Procedure and Company Law. He served from those posts until 2002 when he retired. He was re-elected as a member of the Legal Council in June 2006 and simultaneously appointed as the co-coordinator of the Cyprus Bar Exams; a position he held until his retirement.

In 2003 he founded Themis Legal Studies Institute, a non-profit organization for the continuous education of legal professionals, of which he is the President until this day. He is also the President of the Board of Governors of the CTL Eurocollege.

In 2012 a special honour was bestowed upon him by His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and all Africa; he was appointed as an Officiate of the Patriarchate of Alexandria (Lord Keeper of the Law).



## Dr Demetrios Hadjihambis

Demetrios Hadjihambis was born in 1946 in Famagusta, Cyprus. After completing his primary and secondary education there, he studied law in England. Being awarded the LL.B. degree with First Class Honours from the University of Exeter, he proceeded to the University of Cambridge at Jesus College where he was awarded the Ph.D. degree for his thesis on "Liability for Torts in Anglo-American Choice of Law", prepared under the supervision of Professor K. Lipstein.

Called to the Cyprus Bar, he practised law in Cyprus. He was also Lecturer-in-Law at the University of Exeter from 1974 until 1979.

He was appointed a District Court Judge in 1982, being promoted to Senior District Judge in 1992 and to President of the District Court in 1995.

In 1999 he was appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of Cyprus. In 2013 he was appointed President of the Supreme Court of Cyprus. He retired on 19th July 2014.

## Andy Spicas

He started working as an Engineer with J & P (O) Ltd in 1977 and, in the years to come, he worked his way up the hierarchy of the company, which is considered one of the top 40 construction companies in the world. In 1991 - 1992, he was General Manager of Wade Adams in Botswana, between 2002 - 2005 he was Technical Manager of A. PANAYIDES CONTRACTING PUBLIC LTD and since the beginning of 2006 he is a Consultant on Construction Contracts and he undertakes project management and financial evaluation.

Through his work as Project Engineer, Senior Project Engineer, Project Manager and Senior Project Manager with large companies, on large and complex projects of a diverse nature, for big clients and leading consultants, in multi-cultural societies and diversified environments, he has gained valuable experience in and knowledge of construction work, the construction business and the construction world in general.

He participates actively in the Disciplinary Committee of the Technical Chamber of Cyprus and in the work of the Chamber in general.

As an accredited mediator with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, he is registered with the Greek Ministry of Justice as interstate Mediator. Since 2001 he has been a lecturer in training programmes on Dispute Resolution and Arbitration, Programming Construction Works, Project Management, Claims for Time, Direct Loss and/ or Expenses, Project Estimating and Tendering, Contract Law, Effective Letter-writing in Construction etc., all of which are approved by the Human Resource Development Authority of Cyprus. Finally, so far he has been appointed as arbitrator in about 65 disputes between Employers and Contractors, Contractors and Sub-Contractors and Employers and Consultants.



# lecturers and biographies

## Andreas Michaelides

Andreas Michaelides received his LLB from the University of Bristol, in England and was admitted to the Cyprus Bar in 1999. He is currently the managing partner of Michaelides & Michaelides, based in Limassol.

His areas of practice are civil and commercial litigation, arbitration and ADR, corporate Law, regulatory, governance and compliance.

He is an accredited mediator and in 2014 he was appointed as a member of the Panels of Conciliators and Arbitrators of the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes.

In 2012 he was elected President of the Limassol Bar Association and is currently serving his second term in that position. He is a member of the Council of the Cyprus Bar Association and he represents the Cyprus Bar Association at the Council of the International Bar Association.



## Nicos Elia

As a highly-motivated, commercially minded and results orientated claims consultant and dispute resolution professional within the construction and engineering industries, he has a proven track record of providing exemplary levels of service to major stakeholders, including contractors, subcontractors, employers, public and semi government bodies.

During his 28 years of experience, he worked as a Quantity Surveyor, Claims Management Consultant, Lawyer representing Contractors and Employers in court and in arbitration proceedings. He has acted as an Expert Witness, an Arbitrator and Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) on major construction and Engineering disputes. He has over 1000 hours of experience as a trainer of construction professionals on matters relating to construction law, contract administration, claims preparation and dispute resolution.

His progressive career roles within the construction and engineering industry enabled him to gain an all round experience and a detailed understanding of all facets of the dispute resolution process.

## Despina Christofi

Despina Christofi holds a Bachelor of Laws degree with honours from the University of Leicester (2013) and has been awarded her LLM in International Commercial Law from the University of Glasgow in 2014. Being particularly interested in banking law, she focused her research in this area, examining in particular in her dissertation the contribution of banks to the financial crisis of 2007.

In November 2014, upon the award of her LLM, she became a PhD research scholar at the Law School of UCLan Cyprus, writing her proposal in the field of the financial and banking crisis and dispute resolution in the EU. She is the module leader of the LLM modules International Commercial Litigation and International Commercial Arbitration. She is also a research assistant on the Jean Monnet Module running at the Law School of UCLan Cyprus from 2014 until 2017, entitled 'The Law of Financial and Economic Governance in the EU'. Despina submitted her PhD thesis in September 2017 and is expecting her viva. She has also been appointed as of September 2017 as a Lecturer at the School of Law of UCLan Cyprus.

