International Arbitration (with case study)

Lecture course, 4 ECTS-credits. Offered as a block course on Friday December 2 and Saturday December 3 as well as Friday December 9 and Saturday December 10, 2011

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This course is open to all advanced students enrolled at the Law Faculty of Freie Universität Berlin, and it is recommended for THEMIS students.

Contents:

The block course will be divided into two parts. In the first part a **systematic overview** over International Arbitration will be offered, with a special focus on commercial cases. The main issues covered are the functioning of important arbitral institutions such as the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and the different stages of the arbitral proceedings, including the drafting of the arbitration agreement, the question of the applicable law, the procedural rules and the enforcement of the award.

The second part of the block course will be a Moot Court in which all participants will be invited to work on a **case study**. The subject of this case study will be located in the field of international commercial arbitration law. Students will be divided in two groups in order to prepare a simulation of arbitral proceedings on the case in front of the Tribunal. The Tribunal will be addressed by the students on the last day of the block course. After the hearings and the final decision of the Tribunal there will be a final session which is dedicated to commentaries on the case as well as feedback on students' performance.

Dates and location:

The lecture will take place

- on Friday 2^{nd} of December from 10.15 a.m. 6 p.m. in lecture room 3302 (Boltzmannstraße 3 building next to the main building of the Law Faculty, third floor);
- on Saturday 3rd of December from 10.15 a.m. 6 p.m. in lecture room 3302;
- on Friday 9th of December from 10.15 a.m. 2 p.m. in lecture room 3302 and from 2 p.m. 6 p.m. in lecture rooms 3302 and 2213 (Boltzmannstr. 3 second floor);
- on Saturday 10th of December from 10.15 a.m. 2 p.m. in lecture rooms 3302 and 2213 and from 2 p.m. 6 p.m. in lecture room 3302.

There will be several short breaks and a longer midday break.

Registration:

An individual registration in person is required. Please sign the list at the office of Prof. Dr. Armbrüster (Van't Hoff Str. 8, secretariat, room 332). The list will be open **from the 19th of October** (= third day of Winter Semester) **10.00 a.m.** onwards. The deadline for registrations is the 31st of October 2011. In order to ensure an active role of each student there will be a maximum of 25 participants in the case study, on a first come first serve basis. There is no course fee.

A graded certificate of performance will be issued, which is based on oral participation and performance during the lecture and especially during the case study. Successful participation at the course earns 4 ECTS-credits.