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## AAA-ICDR® Welcomes ICDR Young & International's New Leaders

New Board Members for ICDR's Networking Group for ADR Professionals Under 40 Will Serve Three-Year Terms

**NEW YORK, N.Y.—June 8, 2023**—The American Arbitration Association-International Centre for Dispute Resolution<sup>®</sup> (AAA-ICDR<sup>®</sup>), the global leader in arbitration and mediation services, congratulates the alternative dispute resolution (ADR) professionals who have been selected to serve on the Board of ICDR Young & International. The organization, sponsored by the ICDR, provides networking opportunities in ADR, as well as commercial and public interest arbitration, for arbitrators and other ADR practitioners who are under the age of 40.

The ICDR Young & International was established in 2004 at the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna, Austria, and now comprises more than 5,000 members around the world. The organization works with other international and regional associations in the Americas, Europe, Africa, and Asia. Members of ICDR Young & International are given the opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with their peers, and benefit from the experience and perspective shared by senior arbitration and ADR practitioners at seminars and conferences. More information about ICDR Young & International, which offers free membership and access to a variety of international events, is available at <a href="https://icdr.org/young-and-international">https://icdr.org/young-and-international</a>.

"We thank the outgoing Board members for the outstanding job they did in planning and conducting numerous international and mediation programs throughout the world—and we look forward to working with the new leadership team as they continue to carry out the mission of ICDR Young & International," said Luis M. Martinez, Esq., Vice President of the International Centre for Dispute Resolution. "This organization plays a vital role in helping young ADR professionals in different countries advance in their careers, and advocate for ADR as a viable, beneficial method for businesses and communities to resolve disputes."

The Board members will serve three-year terms ending in 2026, and will prepare and hold events and conferences focused on regional network-building in close cooperation with the ICDR. They will also encourage membership in the ICDR Young & International, raise awareness of the organization in the broader arbitration and ADR community, and organize other networking and professional initiatives.

The 2023-2026 ICDR Young & International Board consists of 25 professionals from 13 countries:



- Preeti Bhagnani, Partner at White & Case, New York
- Johanna Büstgens, Counsel at Hanefeld, Hamburg
- Alonso Mayordomo Castilla, Senior Associate at Stampa Abogados, Madrid
- Jose Antonio Casas Chavana, Senior Associate at Galicia Abogados, Mexico City
- Chiara Cilento, Legal Counsel at EssilorLuxottica, New York
- Gracious Timothy Dunna, Arbitration Counsel and Legal Advisor, Ministry of Defense (Indian Navy), New Delhi
- David Edet, Associate Counsel at Dorothy Ufot & Co., Nigeria
- Georgios Fasfalis, Managing Associate at Linklaters, Amsterdam
- Ema Vidak Friedman, Independent Arbitrator, New York
- Santiago Gatica, Senior Associate at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP, New York
- Katie Gonzalez, Senior Associate at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, New York
- Elan Krishna, Partner at Cavenagh Law LLP, Singapore
- Uday Kumar, Associate at Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP, Vancouver
- Kshama Loya, Lawyer at Nishith Desai Associates, India
- Anya Marinkovich, Counsel at Gunter Arbitration, Geneva
- **Lina Fernández del Portillo**, Independent Attorney at the Arbitration Center for Dispute Resolution, Bogota
- Lídia Rezende, Associate at Chaffetz Lindsey LLP, New York
- Ciara Ros, Senior Associate at Vinson & Elkins LLP, London
- David Sandberg, Senior Associate at Mannheimer Swartling, Gothenburg
- Giorgio A. Sassine, Attorney at Musick, Peeler & Garrett LLP, Los Angeles
- Athziri Soto de la Torre, Associate at Baker McKenzie, Guadalajara
- Zachary Torres-Fowler, Partner at Troutman Pepper Hamilton Sanders LLP, Philadelphia
- Fabian Zetina, Associate at BakerHostetler, Washington, DC
- Hongchuan Zhang-Krogman, Associate at Three Crowns LLP, Washington, DC
- Laura Yvonne Zielinski, Attorney at Holland & Knight, Mexico City

To learn more about the ICDR Young & International Board members, please visit <a href="https://icdr.org/young-and-international/board">https://icdr.org/young-and-international/board</a>.

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