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ATLC SEMINAR ON UPICC

The UNIDROIT Principles of International Commercial Contracts (UPICC) in China and beyond: Theoretical Reception and Its Practical Implications

Organiser: UNIDROIT

Supporting Organisation: UNIDROIT Asian Transnational Law Centre (ATLC), Shanghai International Arbitration Center (SHIAC)

Time: 9:30-12:30, 28 January, 2026 **Venue:** Sala Rodinò, Headquarters of UNIDROIT, Rome, Italy **Format:** Hybrid

9:30-9:40 OPENING REMARKS



Professor Ignacio Tirado
Secretary-General, UNIDROIT

9:40-10:10 KEYNOTE SPEECH I: Rules on the Judicial Termination of Contracts

Keynote speaker



Professor Liming WANG
Professor of Law, Renmin University of China; Vice Chairman of the China Law Society; Chairman of the Civil Law Society of the China Law Society

10:10-11:00 PANEL DISCUSSION I: “UPICC in China: Theoretical Reception, Interpretation and Methodological Approaches”

Moderator

Discussants



Prof. Anna Veneziano
Deputy Secretary-General, UNIDROIT



Prof. Diyu XU
Vice President, Zhongnan University of Economics and Law; Vice Chairman, Civil Law Society of China Law Society.



Prof. Shiyuan HAN
Professor of Law, Tsinghua University School of Law; Vice Chairman of the Civil Law Society of China Law Society



Prof. Riccardo Cardilli
Professor, School of Law, University of Rome Tor Vergata



Prof. Marina Timoteo
Professor, Department of Legal Sciences, University of Bologna



Prof. Bingwan XIONG
Professor of Law, Renmin University of China Law School

11:00-11:10 FREE DISCUSSION

11:10-11:30 KEYNOTE SPEECH II: “From Cocoon to Butterfly: Charting the Path for the Application of the UPICC under China’s New Arbitration Law – Lessons from SHIAC”

Keynote speaker



Ms Weijun WANG
Secretary General, Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (Shanghai International Arbitration Center, SHIAC)

11:30-12:10 PANEL DISCUSSION II: “From Principles to Practice: Judicial and Arbitral Trends and Practical Reflections”

Moderator

Discussants



Ms Guang YANG
Deputy Secretary General, Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (Shanghai International Arbitration Center, SHIAC)



Prof. Giuliana Scognamiglio
Professor, Department of Legal Sciences, Sapienza University of Rome



Prof. Dr. Jan Kleinheisterkamp
International arbitrator and mediator; visiting professor at the LSE Law School



Prof. Jingkun LIU
Professor, China University of Political Science and Law



Mr Zhongliang XU
Executive Director, Yingke Law Firm Italy Office

12:10-12:20 FREE DISCUSSION

12:20-12:30 CLOSING REMARKS



Professor Meiling HUANG
Principal Legal Officer, UNIDROIT; Co-Director, ATLC

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