

# ATLC SEMINAR ON UPICC

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

Co-Organisers: UNIDROIT, Civil Law Society of China Law Society

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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