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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **Our chance to shine- ICC Conference in Jamaica**

The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) International Court of Arbitration will host an ICC Jamaica Conference in Kingston, Jamaica on **Monday, August 28, 2017** at the **Spanish Court Hotel**. As a proud member of the ICC, the Jamaica Chamber of Commerce (JCC) is pleased to be part of an event that acknowledges the leading role of the ICC's, International Court of Arbitration and also the work being done by the Jamaica International Arbitration Centre (JAIAC) in collaboration with the ICC and other partners, including the JCC, to position Jamaica as the go-to place in the Caribbean region for the conduct of international arbitration.

The Conference entitled **“Boosting the use of Arbitration in the Caribbean”** will include discussion on the new Jamaica Arbitration Act, 2017, which is based on the UNCITRAL Model Law. This Act will foster the use of arbitration as an important mechanism for the resolving disputes in Jamaica, the Caribbean and worldwide.

Conference participants will include high-level representatives of the ICC International Court of Arbitration and its Secretariat, who will explain the new steps taken by the Court to boost the efficiency of arbitral procedures under the ICC Arbitration Rules. They will also discuss amendments to the ICC Rules of Arbitration, as well as other ICC policies that have been implemented to foster transparency in international arbitration proceedings.

Furthermore, renowned arbitration practitioners will examine diverse topics, including relation to judicial support for international arbitration. They will also provide perspectives on international arbitral awards and some insight on capacity building for the region.

Conference speakers will include Justice Minister, the Honourable Delroy Chuck; Shadow Ministry for Industry, Investment & Commerce, the Honorable Anthony Hylton; Secretary General of the Jamaica International Arbitration Centre (JAIAC), Dr Christopher Malcolm; and President of the Caribbean Confederation of Employers, Wayne Chen. The international presenters will include Director of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA), Datuk Professor Sundra Rajoo; Director for the Americas of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, Katherine Gonzalez Arrocha; Former President of the ICC Court of International Arbitration, John Beechey; and Co-Editor in Chief of the ICC Bulletin, Dyala Jiminez- among others.

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A distinguished selection of Arbitration practitioners from a variety of Caribbean countries, will also participate in the conference.

The Jamaica Chamber of Commerce (JCC) will host a “Welcome Reception” on **Sunday, August 27, 2017** at the JCC Secretariat, 58 Half Way Tree Road, Richmond Park Great House, Kingston 10 from 6pm-9pm. All registered participants and guest speakers will be in attendance.

### Who should attend the ICC Conference?

If you are a policy-maker, member of the judiciary, practising lawyer, corporate counsel, in-house counsel, arbitrator, mediator, trade unionist, construction industry professional, accountant, tourism services professional, or a dispute resolution services practitioner in any field, you should attend. Students in law, business and other disciplines, public sector employees, civil society, and any person involved in or interested in obtaining further knowledge about - and keeping up to date with - domestic and international arbitration in Jamaica, the Caribbean region, the Americas and the world should also attend this conference.

**The Conference organizers have applied for and expect to receive CLPD credits from the General Legal Council.**

In addition to the JCC, institutional support for the Conference is being provided by the Jamaica International Arbitration Centre Limited (JAIAC), the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA), and the Chartered Institute of Arbitration’s (CIArb) - Caribbean Branch.

### **Registration Fees:**

***Members of ICC – CIArb – JAIAC – JCC – KLRCA – US\$250/J\$32,000***

***Non-Members – US\$300/J\$38,000***

For more information and to attend the Welcome Reception event, contact Ms. Nordia Henry, Communications & Marketing Officer at the JCC Secretariat Tel: 922-0150-1/332-7354 or email: [nordia.henry@jamaicachamber.org.jm](mailto:nordia.henry@jamaicachamber.org.jm)

Don’t miss this informative, educational, career-enhancing and networking Conference!

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