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CAO 2017 SPRING MEETINGS/CSO POLICY FORUM EVENT

Accountability in Sustainable Development: The Principles and Practice of Mediation in a Local and Global Context

THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2017, 9:00AM - 10:30AM

WORLD BANK, I BUILDING, Room I-2-250



What role does mediation play in assessing project impacts and providing access to remedy? This session will discuss the practice of mediation and the principles that underpin it in a multidisciplinary context. CAO will be joined by a panel of practitioners with expertise in community, commercial, and international mediation of disputes. The session will offer practical insights into the broad principles of mediation and discuss from a practitioner's perspective the systems and capacity building required to resolve disputes in a country-specific context; the application of mediation as a profession; experiences mediating commercial, labor, and land disputes; and how CAO uses mediation principles in its dispute resolution practice to address company-community disputes around private sector development projects financed by IFC and MIGA.

Facilitator: **Gina Barbieri**, Principal Specialist Ombudsman, CAO

Featuring: **Constantin-Adi Gavrilă**, General Manager, Craiova Mediation Center Romania

Julia Roig, President, Partners Global

Nokukhanya Ntuli, Dispute Resolution Specialist, CAO

Prabha SanKaranarayan, CEO, Mediators Beyond Borders

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FEATURING



Gina Barbieri, Principal Specialist Ombudsman, CAO

Facilitator

Gina Barbieri manages CAO's dispute resolution function and is a South African human rights lawyer and dispute resolution professional. Before joining CAO she ran a legal practice specializing in mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution (ADR). She is a co-founder of the African Institute for Mediation and served as the Deputy Head of the Africa Center for Dispute Settlement, Stellenbosch University Business School. She has mediated numerous disputes in the employment, commercial, and community realms.



Constantin-Adi Gavrilă, General Manager, Craiova Mediation Center, Romania

Panelist

Constantin-Adi Gavrilă the General Manager of Craiova Mediation Center in Romania and the Director of ADR Center International. He has worked in the field of dispute resolution for more than fifteen years, and is an independent mediator who works with CAO. He was honored with the Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR) International Development Committee's 2009 Outstanding Leadership Award for outstanding contributions to international conflict resolution.



Julia Roig, President, Partners Global

Panelist

Julia Roig is the president of Partners Global, a global organization dedicated to innovative governance solutions for development. Prior to joining Partners, Julia served for two years as the Country Director for the American Bar Association Rule of Law Initiative in Belgrade, Serbia. She is also a recognized expert on community justice and dispute resolution in Colombia. Prior to her international work, Julia served as the Alternative Dispute Resolution Coordinator for both the U.S. Office of Special Counsel, and the D.C. Courts.



Nokukhanya Ntuli, Dispute Resolution Specialist, CAO

Panelist

Nokukhanya (Nox) Ntuli is a South African lawyer, mediator, trainer, and process facilitator. Prior to joining CAO, she worked as a Constitutionalism and Rule of Law Expert in the Department of Political Affairs at the African Union Commission in Addis Ababa. She has extensive experience in mediation and has mediated commercial, employment, land, community, and electoral disputes. Nox has also served on the boards of several NGOs, and is currently a Board Member at the Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation in South Africa.



Prabha SanKaranarayan, CEO, Mediators Beyond Borders

Panelist

Prabha is the President and CEO of Mediators Beyond Borders. She is a conflict transformation practitioner who has mediated, facilitated, and trained in Europe, Asia, Africa, and the USA. Her public and private sector work includes conflict analysis for public/private partnerships, consultation, and assessment for industrial development zones, design and implementation of trainings for multinational corporations; inter faith dialogues as well as facilitation of multi-stakeholder mediations.
