

INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE QATAR

DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME TO THE ICC QATAR - DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER. WE HOPE THAT 2018 WAS A PROSPEROUS YEAR FOR YOU. HERE IS WISHING OUR READERS A HAPPY QATAR NATIONAL DAY AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

IN THIS ISSUE, YOU WILL FIND MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS, UPCOMING EVENTS, TRAININGS, PUBLICATIONS AND DIFFERENT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES.

MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

ICC QATAR AND THOMSON REUTERS ORGANIZED A SEMINAR ON INNOVATION OPPORTUNITIES, CHALLENGES AND GROWTH POTENTIAL IN QATAR

Discussions on blockchain, crypto currencies and Initial coin offering (ICOs) marked the third seminar of the partnership between the ICC Qatar and Thomson Reuters that was held at the Qatar Chamber. The seminar was titled "How Can Innovation Stimulate Growth in Qatar?" Samer Mahfouz, who is leading the applied innovation at Thomson Reuters for the MENA region, was the seminar's keynote speaker.

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ICC QATAR HELD THEIR ANNUAL BANKING COMMISSION MEETING AT QATAR CHAMBER

ICC Qatar's Banking Commission members attended the meeting and reviewed the procedures of the central bank, as well as recommendations of the ICC Banking Commission's Global Technical meeting recently held in Tbilisi, Georgia. The Vice Chairman of the ICC banking commission Mr. Hassan Azar who attended the global commission meeting held in Tbilisi, Georgia headed the meeting.

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FIVE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ICC BANKING COMMISSION'S 2018 TECHNICAL MEETING IN TBILISI

This year's International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Banking Commission Technical Meeting was held in Tbilisi, Georgia. Taking place on 15-17 October, the ICC Banking Commission's 2018 Technical Meeting gathered over 200 trade finance experts from 50 countries—as well as high-level attendees such as Prime Minister of Georgia Mamuka Bakhtadze—to discuss the major issues currently affecting the global trade finance industry.

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14 Mar 2019	Too fast, too slow or just right? Duration, timing and timeliness in ICC arbitration Montreal, Canada
15 Mar 2019	ICC Prague Arbitration Day 2019 Prague, Czech Republic

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

27 - 28 Feb 2019	ICC Academy 8th Supply Chain Finance Summit Singapore
8 - 11 Apr 2019	ICC Banking Commission Annual Meeting - Beijing, China
12 - 14 June 2019	11th World Chambers Congress Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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DECEMBER HIGHLIGHT

The **ICC Banking Commission** serves as a global forum and rule-making body for banks worldwide, with particular focus on the financing of international trade; and to help policymakers and standard setters to create a regulatory framework that facilitates trade finance throughout the world. With 85 years of experience and more than 600 members in over a hundred countries, the ICC Banking Commission is the largest of ICC's commissions.

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ABOUT ICC QATAR

ICC Qatar is the globally influential national committee of the Paris-based ICC in the State of Qatar, and works to connect businesses of the country to the world – and the world to the businesses of Qatar. We facilitate, educate, and gather businesses of Qatar in creating a strong and prosperous business outcome as well as in expanding their role in contributing to the national and global economy. As an apex business chamber that advances the interests of Qatar business community in trade, investment, and industrial and international relations, ICC Qatar currently represents a growing number of Qatar-based businesses as well as the local and foreign business chambers and key national associations of the business sector. Nationally, ICC Qatar serves as a bridge between the government and businesses to drive a business friendly environment. Internationally, ICC Qatar represents the business community in bilateral, regional and multilateral for the purpose of promoting trade expansion and business networking.

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