



For the second time world leading lawyers will gather at the Eastern European Dispute Resolution Forum (EEDRF-2017) in Minsk

In autumn Minsk will host the [Eastern European Dispute Resolution Forum \(EEDRF\)](#) for the second time. For a few days international format of the event, using the slogan «Prove it if you can!», will unite lawyers from all over the world in order to discuss key topics related to dispute resolution in international commercial arbitration and state courts.

Eastern European Dispute Resolution Forum (EEDRF) will take place on September 22, 2017 at the newly-opened DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Minsk, 9 Pobediteley Avenue.

More than 200 lawyers, major league players, representing the world most notable law firms, will arrive in Minsk. Heads of major European arbitral centers have already confirmed their participation: Secretary General of the Arbitration Institute at the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce, representatives of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce and other guests.

Slogan «Prove it if you can! » determines the principal thematic focus of the Forum: taking of evidence in international commercial arbitration and state courts. Besides, within the framework of business program topical issues related to dispute resolution in Eastern Europe will be covered. As envisioned by organizers, the Forum will become a platform for exchange of views and ideas in the format of lively dispute while experts in their speeches will share with their personal experiences on the basis of examples and real cases.

«Tylney Hall» format will be an innovation of the Forum. All participants will be able to deliver short speeches at one of the sections by sending questions to the Organizing Committee. The most urgent issues will be submitted for general discussion.

Keynote speaker:

- **[Lord \(Peter\) Goldsmith QC, PC](#)**, Queen's Counsel, member of the Privy Council, Co-Managing Partner and Chair of European and Asian Litigation, joined Debevoise & Plimpton LLP in September 2007. He served as the UK's Attorney General from 2001-2007. Lord Goldsmith was ranked by Chambers UK as being in the top tier of leading silks in London for international arbitration and commercial litigation. Before this he was in private practice as one of the leading barristers in London. Lord Goldsmith appeared in many cases in the House of Lords, the Privy Council and the Court of Appeal as well as international and European courts and in the courts of number of other countries.

Representatives of international law firms, corporate lawyers, heads of state companies, experts in the field of litigation and arbitration from the Baltic countries, CIS and Europe, law students, as well as members of the academic community and the public sector will take part in the event.



The Eastern European Dispute Resolution Forum (EEDRF) is organized and supported by the leading law firms specializing in dispute resolution, as well as by [Russian Arbitration Association*](#), [Ukrainian Arbitration Association*](#) and [International Law and Arbitration Association](#) (BILA). The organizing partner of the Forum is [SBH Law office](#).

Co-chairman of the Forum Organizing Committee, advocate, and partner of [SBH Law office](#) Alexandre Khrapoutski notes that the distinctive feature of the Event is its **exceptional practical focus**. «The Forum is a unique platform for Eastern European countries, it has no equals. It is specified as it has been created by lawyers and for lawyers. Principal idea of the Forum is to acquaint lawyers with dispute resolution mechanism in Eastern European countries, tell about peculiarities of legislation interpretation in multiple courts. Now, when the Forum has appeared, Minsk has an opportunity to offer the whole legal community to join lively and interesting platform for serious discussions. Being the organizing partners of the Event, we intend to raise the most burning questions which will arouse interest of professional community and will be widely covered by the world media. To achieve this we are willing to invite the best speakers who are among the most famous lawyers of the world».

The debut in 2016 showed a huge success of the event, which has already established itself as an excellent platform for communication of practitioners specializing in dispute resolution.

**Members of the RAA and UAA are allowed a 10%-discount for participation in the Forum. When registering, indicate your membership in Associations mentioned above in column Comments (only for legal entities) or mark in a special check box (only for individual persons).*

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