

Course Information

Accelerated Route to Membership - International Arbitration Face to Face Delivery

What is the aim of the programme?

To provide a fast-track route to Membership through the International (i.e. non-domestic) Arbitration Pathway. The Accelerated Route to Membership has been designed for busy professionals who have some unassessed knowledge of International Arbitration. The aim of the programme is to assess whether the candidate has the knowledge required to understand the process of International Arbitration.

Candidates must evaluate their personal suitability to undertake the programme, appreciating that the assessments are intensive and that they will be assessed against standard benchmarks.

The programme covers the law underpinning the process and procedure of International Arbitration. It is therefore valuable for anyone who is conversant with the law and practice of International Arbitration generally, whether as a party or party representative. It is also an essential step for anyone aiming for Fellowship and for those who aim to practice as an Arbitrator.

What are the learning outcomes?

On successful completion of this programme candidates will be able to:

- Explain the principles and specific legal requirements in an International Arbitration:
 - The legal framework including limitations of matters that may legally be arbitrated
 - The contractual nature of the appointment of an Arbitrator
 - The rights, duties and responsibilities of a party to an Arbitration
 - The range and limitations of an Arbitrator's powers and jurisdiction
 - The methods of initiating and processing an Arbitration
 - The relevance of the court regarding all stages in an Arbitration;
 - The requirements of an enforceable Award
- Evaluate and apply the principles and legal requirements of an International Arbitration
- Identify, explain and apply the legal procedural principles, rules and arguments relevant to the conduct of an International Arbitration

What is covered within the syllabus?

- Fundamental principles of the Arbitration process;
- The UNCITRAL Model Law and Arbitration Rules
- The Arbitration agreement:
- Commencement of an Arbitration and appointment of an Arbitrator
- Obligations of the Tribunal, responsibilities and obligations of the parties
- An Arbitrator's jurisdiction and powers
- The Arbitration process: meetings, timetable, submissions, experts, disclosure, hearings
- The powers of the Court
- Interest and Costs
- Essentials of an enforceable Award
- Challenges, appeals and enforcement.

How is the programme delivered?

This is an assessment programme as opposed to a teaching module. Learning will be based on private study prior to the oral assessment workshop, reinforced by tutor input and peer discussion during the workshop.

The programme is delivered over a period of three days, with assessment workshops on days one and two and a final assessment on day three. The programme dates advertised are the dates when candidates will be required to attend the virtual assessment workshops and assessment.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment of this programme is split into three parts:

- **Assessment 1** - An interactive 2 day assessment in a series of workshops, where situations will be presented to candidates in groups for their consideration. Candidate's knowledge, judgment and interactive/self-presentation skills are assessed by oral exercises.
- **Assessment 2** - A written assignment to be submitted before the programme (20%).
- **Assessment 3** - This assessment is completed via LearnADR, CIArb's online learning platform, and will be split into two parts.
 - **(Part One)** Is a case study exercise with a number of questions that candidates will be required to answer. Available marks 40%.
 - **(Part Two)** Will consist of five questions, candidates are required to select and answer three. Available marks: 60% (20% per question).

Details of the assessments are as follows:

- **Assessment 1 (Workshop)**. This assessment is on a pass or fail basis. Candidates must pass all the workshop sessions. Candidates who fail the workshop will be required to re-sit this assessment.
- **Assessment 2 (Assignment)**. This assessment is not on a pass or fail basis. The mark achieved will contribute up to 20% of the final mark.
- **Assessment 3 (Assessment)**. This assessment is on a pass or fail basis. The mark achieved will contribute up to 80% of the final mark. Candidates will be given 48 consecutive hours within a 5-day window starting from the third day of the ARM which is your assessment date to submit their answers online. Candidates must achieve a minimum overall mark of 65% to pass the assessment.

Full submission instructions will be provided.

The overall assessment is based upon the combined marks of Assessment 2 and Assessment 3. Candidates must achieve a minimum overall mark of 65% to pass the programme.

The assessment fee is not included in the course fee. It must be registered and paid for separately. The assessment fee is £174 inclusive of VAT.

Results are dispatched to candidates approximately twelve weeks from the date of the submission of the assessment.

What are the entry requirements?

In order to register onto the Accelerated Route to Membership, candidates must submit evidence to show:

- They have knowledge of the framework of international arbitration;
- They can evaluate and apply the principles and requirements of an international arbitration;
- They can demonstrate awareness of the practical tasks required in preparing for and progressing an international arbitration.

English Language Competence - CIArb training and assessment is carried out in English it is therefore essential that candidates are proficient in both written and spoken English. Where English is not a candidate's first language it is recommended that they have achieved a standard that is, as a minimum, equivalent to the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) level 7 or a score of 94-101 in the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) system. CIArb issues this advice as a guideline and, while it will not require any evidence of this standard prior to enrolment on a course, candidates who do not have this standard of English may be disadvantaged.

What is the programme fee and what does it include?

The programme fee is RM7,500 for CIArb members (Non-Members = RM8,000). The fee includes registration on the programme, study materials, lunch and refreshment throughout the day. Candidates are advised to refer to the Fee Sheet which details other fees that may be relevant.

What happens when I register for the programme?

Upon successful registration on the programme, candidates will receive confirmation they are booked on the programme. Joining instructions and course materials will be sent to candidates approximately 2 weeks before the course start date by email.

Candidates will be provided with an electronic copy of a Workbook to assist them with their studies together with a suggested reading list. It is recommended that candidates are familiar with the UNCITRAL Model Law and Arbitration Rules and the substantive law in their respective jurisdiction together with the relevant Act(s) and Scheme(s) and important case decisions (where applicable). Candidates should also refer to the recognised standard textbooks to supplement their study in their respective jurisdiction where these are available.

What is CI Arb's policy on cancellation of courses?

CI Arb reserves the right to cancel or change the date, venue or content of programmes and the names of speakers, lecturers and tutors. Candidates will be provided with adequate notice of any change. If CI Arb has to cancel a course, candidates will be provided with a full refund or the opportunity to transfer their registration to the next course. Should a candidate wish to cancel/defer their registration of a course, notification must be received in writing to ciarbmb@gmail.com. Deferral charges apply. Please refer to the Fee Terms and Conditions for full details.

What is my next step when I complete the programme?

On successful completion of this programme, candidates:

- may progress onto Module 3 of the International Arbitration Pathway;
- will be eligible to apply for Member grade of CI Arb, and take advantage of a range of educational and professional benefits.