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# Diploma in International Maritime Arbitration

2 April to 25 June 2025 Virtual



## Key facts



Ciarb's Diplomas are the arbitration industry's gold-standard qualification



The Diploma is delivered via Ciarb's online platform LearnADR every Wednesday



The Diploma is an immersive course made up of interactive seminars, workshops, and lectures



Candidates learn the law, practice and procedure of international maritime arbitration



The course fee is £5,380 – MCIArb and FCIArb candidates can get 10% discount



On successful completion of the Diploma, candidates are eligible for Fellowship



Each session lasts 2.5 hours



## Welcome Letter

#### Dear Candidates,

Fast-track your maritime arbitration career with our Diploma in International Maritime Arbitration, an immersive 13 week course, from 2 April to 25 June 2025.

Ciarb's prestigious Diploma has been designed to meet the increasing demands for accredited arbitrators to resolve maritime disputes. The Diploma will provide candidates with knowledge of the procedural elements of an international maritime arbitration, as well as how to write an enforceable award.

Our faculty is made up of internationally recognised experts with a wealth of experience, who have the abbility to transport candidates into maritime arbitration settings.

I encourage you to join us on this exciting learning opportunity.

George Lambrou FCIArb
Course Director



### **Course Director**



George Lambrou FCIArb is an international dispute resolution specialist who resolves high-value and complex multi-jurisdictional disputes.

He is a Solicitor Advocate who spends most of his time involved in arbitration and in particular maritime arbitrations both as counsel and as arbitrator. He has been involved in over 100 arbitration proceedings.

George is regularly engaged in international arbitrations as counsel, co-arbitrator, sole arbitrator and chairman under the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA), Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC), International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), and Istanbul Arbitration Centre (ISTAC), sitting in London, Athens, Geneva, Stockholm, Istanbul and Washington DC.

He has experience in construction, energy, trade, software, securities, investment treaty in addition to maritime disputes.

George has a very strong maritime background, having been a partner for many years in a leading London-based shipping law firm.

He is Honorary Member of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers (ICS) and sits on the LMAA's User's Liaison Committee in addition to being an active Supporting Member of the LMAA, accepting appointments as arbitrator regularly since 2018.

#### George Lambrou FCIArb



The Diploma in International Maritime Arbitration is taught by some of the top professionals acting in this area and it has provided me with much insight into a specialised area where you would otherwise not have access to... I would recommend this course to anyone already practicing or interested in this area.

Timothy Lam MCIArb, Partner (Hong Kong Lawyer) Long An & Lam LLP

## Diploma Structure

## Part 1 Law, Practice, and Procedure of International Maritime Arbitration

Candidates have 48 hours within 10-15 July 2025 to submit an assessment via LearnADR. The first part of the assessment is a case study with questions, worth 40% of the overall mark. In the second part, candidates choose three questions to answer from a selection of five, worth 60% of the overall mark. Candidates need to obtain 65% to pass.

#### Part 2 Law of Obligations

Candidates are required to demonstrate expertise on common law and civil law of contract tort.
Candidates with a recognised law degree are eligible for the exemption test, otherwise they must complete Module 2.

Candidates must pass a test with 30 questions. Candidates have 90 minutes to take the test need to obtain 70% to pass.

The exemption test needs to be completed by 14 August 2025.

Ciarb Fellows do not need to complete the exemption test.





## Part 3 Evidence and Award Writing of International Maritime Arbitration

Candidates are required to submit an award via LearnADR.

The assessment is split into two stages.

#### Stage One:

The documents in the case are released via LearnADR on 5 August 2025 and the assessment starts on 15 August 2025. The papers are sufficient to enable you to grasp the nature of the case and the likely legal problems.

Candidates should consider the recitals they intend to include and the relevant law.

#### **Stage Two:**

This is the equivalent of the hearing stage, and includes an extract from the candidate's (i.e. the arbitrator's) notebook. This records the oral evidence and arguments the arbitrator has heard, as well as any other relevant documents. From the evidence, candidates must make their findings of fact. Different candidates will make different findings.

Stage Two is released at 12:00 GMT on the 15 August 2025 via LearnADR. It is available for five days in which candidates have 48 consecutive hours to submit their award to LearnADR.

Candidates will receive their results 12 weeks after the deadline.

# How do I apply?

#### What are the entry requirements?

To be considered for the Diploma, you must:

- Be actively involved in and have some experience of domestic or international arbitration.
- Have five years' experience as a lawyer, surveyor, accountant or similar.

Additionally, you must have a high standard of English.

To be considered for this Diploma, please send your full CV to <a href="mailto:akhan@ciarb.org">akhan@ciarb.org</a> by 17 March 2025. If your application is successful, you will be contacted regarding registration and payment.

The review process is thorough and can take four weeks. We appreciate your patience.

Only successful applicants will be contacted regarding registration and payment.





### Course Fee

The course fee for the Virtual Diploma in International Maritime Arbitration is £5,380 inclusive of VAT.

Existing MCIArb and FCIArb candidates can claim a **10% discount** on the full course fee by quoting their membership number upon registration. LMAA members also get 10% discount.

Candidates from Hong Kong can apply to **claim back up to 80%** of the fee via the Maritime and Aviation Training Fund (MATF).

#### What does the course fee include?

The fee includes:

- registration onto the Diploma course
- study materials for the course, except for the material that may be purchased by the candidate (see below).
- Part Lassessment.
- Part 2 exemption test.
- Part 3 assessment.

The full course fee is due by 17 March 2025. If a candidate fails any part of the Diploma, a resit fee for that part will be charged.





# Important Dates

Date	Event
17 March 2025	Full course fee due
2 April to 25 June 2025	Diploma takes place every Wednesday
10 July 2025	Part 1 assessment
14 August 2025	Module 2 exemption test must be completed
15 August 2025	Part 3 Assessment released









