



International Advisory
& Dispute Resolution Unit

IADRU Capacity Building for State Attorneys in Africa: 2025

3VB is pleased to present Module 2 of the IADRU Capacity Building Programme for State Attorneys in Africa – a free, online series designed for State Attorneys across the continent. The programme offers high-level, practical training across four core competencies: sovereign debt, arbitration, infrastructure, and investor-state disputes.

Module 2: Arbitration: Introduction and key skills will provide participants with an introduction to the main institutional rules commonly used in African disputes – including UNCITRAL, LCIA, and ICC – and assist participants in developing their written and oral advocacy skills. Led by top arbitration specialists from 3VB and guest contributors, the sessions will provide the initial tools required to engage confidently and effectively in arbitral proceedings.

Module

1	Sovereign debt	March – May 2025
2	Arbitration: Introduction and key skills	September – November 2025
3	Infrastructure projects: Structuring, negotiating, financing and dispute resolution	
4	Investor state: Treaties and dispute resolution	

Module 2: Arbitration: Introduction and key skills

Course leaders:



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Session		Date	UK	West Africa	Central Africa	East Africa
1	Introduction to arbitration Jane Davies Evans KC (3VB) Madeline Kimei (3VB)	3 September 2025	2pm	2pm	3pm	4pm
2	UNCITRAL Arbitration Feisal Naqvi (3VB)	10 September 2025	2pm	2pm	3pm	4pm
3	LCIA Arbitration Nania Owusu-Ankomah (3VB) Kamal Shah (Stephenson Harwood)	17 September 2025	2pm	2pm	3pm	4pm
4	ICC Arbitration Duncan Bagshaw (Norton Rose Fulbright)	1 October 2025	2pm	2pm	3pm	4pm
5	Written advocacy Jane Davies Evans KC (3VB)	8 October 2025	2pm	2pm	3pm	4pm
6	Oral advocacy Jane Davies Evans KC (3VB)	15 October 2025	2pm	2pm	3pm	4pm
7	Optional online workshop: Optional 3-hour workshop with personalised feedback on written or oral advocacy from an experienced arbitration practitioner or arbitrator.	22 October – 5 November 2025				

Sessions 1 – 6 will last 60-90 minutes.

Session 7 is an optional 3-hour workshop open to participants who have attended Sessions 5 and 6. The workshop will be limited to three participants (or groups of participants) per African State.

You are welcome to register for one or more sessions within a module, or to participate in multiple modules across the series. Participants who attend all six core sessions in Module 2 will be provided with a certificate of attendance.

Register for Module 2: <https://forms.office.com/e/t3d3jX540w>

Enquiries: iadru@3vb.com

Sessions may be rescheduled to a different time/date from that advertised; prior notice will be provided when this occurs.

Sessions will be recorded and made available on the 3VB website shortly after each session. Questions will be included in the recording unless the participant requests otherwise.

Further guest speakers will be announced in due course.