



**CI Arb**  
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CI Arb and Equal Representation  
in Arbitration Pledge (ERA Pledge)  
**ERA Scholars Training Programme**

# 1. The training programme

CIArb and the ERA Pledge Young Practitioners Subcommittee (YPSC) are pleased to present a new arbitrator training programme, the ERA Scholars programme, to help promote and increase diversity in arbitral appointments (the Programme).

The Programme will provide support to those who are engaged in or starting their career as an arbitrator or who would like to enhance their skills as arbitrator, with a focus on award writing training.

In order to join the Programme, participants will first need to apply to the YPSC to be selected.

Those who are chosen (ERA Scholars) will undertake either the CIArb London's Module 3 Award Writing training course (Module 3 Course), subject to CIArb's entry and completion criteria, or the Accelerated Route to Fellowship (ARF) course if they meet the entry criteria, with a view to accrediting as CIArb Fellows.





## 2. What is CIArb?

CIArb is an international centre of excellence for the practice and profession of alternative dispute resolution (ADR).

Our growing membership is based worldwide and supported by an international network of 41 branches.

CIArb provides education and training for arbitrators, mediators and adjudicators. It also acts as a global hub for practitioners, policy makers, academics and those

in business, supporting the global promotion, facilitation and development of all ADR methods.

CIArb offers a range of resources including guidance, support, advice, networking and promotional opportunities, as well as facilities for hearings, meetings and other events. It is a not-for-profit, UK registered charity.

To learn more about CIArb, please visit [www.ciarb.org](http://www.ciarb.org)



# 3 ● What is the ERA Pledge and the YPSC?

The ERA Pledge is a global initiative that addresses the underrepresentation of women on international arbitral tribunals.

Its objective is two-fold: to help female arbitrators secure more appointments on an equal opportunity basis and to improve the profile and visibility of women in arbitration more

generally. In just four years of existence, more than 4,400 organisations and individuals have joined the Pledge and committed to its objectives. The YPSC pursues these objectives for the next generation.

To learn more about the ERA Pledge and the YPSC, please visit: [www.arbitrationpledge.com](http://www.arbitrationpledge.com)





# 4 ● Who is eligible to apply for the Programme?

Applications should be made to the YPSC 6 weeks before CI Arb's corresponding start dates for its courses. These are set out at Section 7.

Applicants should send their CV and a cover letter to: [Rosario.Galardi@freshfields.com](mailto:Rosario.Galardi@freshfields.com), [Caroline.Croft@squirepb.com](mailto:Caroline.Croft@squirepb.com) and [Elizabeth.Chan@threecrownsllp.com](mailto:Elizabeth.Chan@threecrownsllp.com) with the following information: confirming you are a signatory to the ERA Pledge, explaining why you would benefit from CI Arb Fellowship, explaining what

contribution to diversity (in international dispute resolution) you would make, and describing your career aspirations as an arbitrator. Once you have passed this stage, the YPSC will send your application to the CI Arb Education and Training Team:

## **Module 3 Course –**

Applicants must either be existing CI Arb Members (MCI Arb), or having 'a minimum of five-years' experience in arbitration, construction adjudication or mediation in a lead/sole



capacity; including settlement agreements, the management of proceedings, and attending hearings which have resulted in the publication of a reasoned award or decision, will be required to obtain MCI Arb through CI Arb's experienced practitioner route. Once they have done so, candidates will be able to apply for CI Arb's Module 2 and have a discount on the Module 3 International Arbitration Award Writing course provided certain conditions are met.

**ARF** – Applicants must meet the following entry criteria:

- They have a minimum of 5 years of practical experience of international arbitration either as a representative or an international arbitrator;

- They have substantial knowledge of the framework of international arbitration;
- They can recognise and evaluate evidence;
- They can significantly evaluate and apply the principles and requirements of an international arbitration;
- They can noticeably demonstrate practical skill in the carrying out of tasks required in preparing for and progressing an international arbitration.

If candidates meet these criteria, they will receive a discount on CI Arb's Accelerated Route to Fellowship in International Arbitration provided certain conditions are met.



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## What benefits does the Programme provide?

ERA Scholars will have the benefit of a **10% discount** on either the Module 3 or ARF course offered by CIArb London.

Successful candidates who apply for CIArb fellowship will be offered a **10% discount** on the Fellowship Peer Interview.

In the future, we hope also to provide **career development workshops** for ERA Scholars who become CIArb fellows.





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## How do I become a CIArb fellow and what are its benefits?

CIArb Fellowship (FCIArb) is attainable through either one of three routes: Experience, CIArb training or attending a recognised course provider.

There are a plethora of benefits that come with membership of CIArb as a Fellow:

### **Events**

- You will have discounted and exclusive access to events and conferences hosted by CIArb.

- Opportunities to expand your network and connect with your peers.
- New business opportunities.

### **Career development and training**

- Continued learning and professional development, with sharing of expertise between members.
- Raising your profile within the industry.



- Post-nominals.
- Global mentoring programme to launch in Q1 of 2021.

### **News, research and insight**

- Access to CI Arb eLearning, eLibrary, eBooks, Journals, eSolver (monthly newsletter), Resolver (magazine), podcasts and more.

### **Professional Indemnity Insurance**

- Discounted Professional Indemnity Insurance to protect you against claims.

### **Other**

- Opportunity to be a part of specialist interest groups and encouragement to contribute to CI Arb's thought leadership within ADR.
- A supportive global community of ADR professionals, encouraging greater diversity and inclusivity within the wider profession.

For more information on how to apply, please see the Membership section of our website:

[www.ciarb.org/membership/](http://www.ciarb.org/membership/)

or email:

[memberservices@ciarb.org](mailto:memberservices@ciarb.org)





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When will the next Module 3 and ARF courses take place?

Module 3 Course					
Course	Applications received by YPSC	Course start date	Duration	Fee	Discounted total fee for ERA Scholars
Face-to-face Module 3 Award Writing	Until 22 July 2021	2 September 2021	3 months	£990 + VAT	£1,188

ARF				
	Applications received by YPSC	Date	Fee	Discounted total fee for ERA Scholars
Virtual Accelerated Route to Fellowship International Arbitration	Until 5 July 2021	16-20 August 2021	£1,170 + VAT	£1,404
Face-to-face Accelerated Route to Fellowship International Arbitration	Until 27 October 2021	6-10 December 2021	£1,440 + VAT	£1,728





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