

# DOING BUSINESS IN CHINA

The legal side of the coin



This **workshop** is meant for law firms, diplomats and businessmen who have contacts with **Chinese commercial enterprises** in China. Western lawyers involved in international relations cannot remain ignorant of the **Chinese legal system** any longer.

A general introduction to the **Chinese law of contracts** will be given, and a lecture especially on the application in the People's Republic of China of the **convention on the international sale of goods**, followed finally by one on the **law of commercial arbitration** in China. After these introductory lectures of half an hour a colloquium will take place with a panel of members with **practical field experience**. All questions - preferably sent in advance - will be answered.



13:00 – 13:30: Registration and coffee

## Part 1

13:30 – 13:45: Introduction by chairwoman Prof. **Jing Men**, *Director EU-China Research Centre Baillet Latour Chair of EU-China Relations College of Europe*

13:45 – 14:15: "The Chinese law of contracts in a nut shell" by **Jacques Henri Herbots**, *Emeritus professor of the Faculty of Law of the KU Leuven, Accredited arbitrator in CEPANI, Brussels and CIETAC, Beijing*

14:15 – 14:45: "The validity of the arbitral clause and the enforcement of foreign awards in China, as seen by a former Deputy Secretary General of CIETAC" by **Chen Min**, *General representative of Chinese Chamber of International Commerce EU Rep. office*

14:45 – 15:15: "The Convention on the International Sale of Goods in China: theory and practice" by **Shaohui Zhang**, *Partner, Head of Dentons Europe-China Desk, Invited Professor, University of Luxembourg and Ji'nan, Guangdong*

15:15 – 15:45: Break

## Part 2

15:45 – 17:00: Panel discussion

Moderated by Prof. **Jing Men**

Members of the panel:

- **Bernard Dewit**, *Lawyer, President Belgian-Chinese Chamber of Commerce*
- **Dirk De Meulemeester**, *Lawyer, President Cepani, Professor (UGent)*
- **Denis Philippe**, *Lawyer, Professor (University of Louvain)*



Lawyers, company lawyers, diplomats, entrepreneurs, Chambers of Commerce, sinologists, Institutes of Comparative Law, ...



All participants receive an attestation.



**Tuesday September 18th 2018**

from 13:30 till 17:00

(registration of the participants starting at 13:00)



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- participation
- publication "Contracts in the People's Republic of China" at the value of 59 euro
- documentation
- catering

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