



**British Institute of
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Roundtable: Unlocking Investment in Ukraine Speaker Biographies

The Right Honourable Lord Neuberger of Abbotsbury, BIICL President, former President of the UK Supreme Court

Lord Neuberger was appointed a High Court Judge, sitting in the Chancery Division, in 1996, where he tried a number of cases involving financial and commercial contractual disputes, revenue law, company law, insolvency law, IP law, and property law, professional negligence. He was made Supervisory Chancery Judge for Midland, Wales and Chester and Western Circuits from 2001. In 2004, he was made a Lord Justice of Appeal, and a Privy Counsellor. In the same year, he was appointed Judge in charge of IT and modernisation. In 2007 he was promoted to be a Law Lord and became a peer. He was appointed Master of the Rolls in 2009. In 2012, he became the President of the United Kingdom Supreme Court, a position from which he retired in 2017. In 2017, he started practising as an arbitrator and legal expert from One Essex Court. In 2021 Lord Neuberger became a President of BIICL.

Iryna Mudra, Deputy Head of the Office of the President of Ukraine

Deputy Head of the Office of the President of Ukraine and former Deputy Minister of Justice of Ukraine, the Representative of Ukraine in the Conference of Participants of the Register of Damages Caused by the Aggression of the Russian Federation Against Ukraine. Iryna Mudra carries out international legal cooperation, ensures compliance and fulfilment of obligations undertaken under international treaties of Ukraine on legal issues; protects the interests of Ukraine during the settlement of disputes and consideration in foreign jurisdictions of cases involving foreign entities and Ukraine; ensures the implementation of

the state policy in the sphere of recovery of the assets of persons subject to sanctions in the form of asset blocking. In the international arena, she is known for publicly promoting the development of a mechanism for sanctions and reparations against the Russian Federation for the war against Ukraine.

Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice of the United Kingdom, the Rt Hon Alex Chalk KC MP

Alex Chalk KC MP was appointed Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice on 21 April 2023. He was Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence from October 2022 to April 2023 and was formerly HM Solicitor General for England and Wales and the Prisons and Probation Minister. Alex Chalk KC MP has been the Member of Parliament for Cheltenham since 2015.

Prior to being elected in 2015, Alex was a barrister and prosecuted and defended in cases concerning terrorism, international fraud, and homicide.

As Justice Minister, Alex led the Domestic Abuse Bill through the Commons. For the first time in history, the Bill includes a wide-ranging legal definition of domestic abuse which incorporates a range of abuses beyond physical violence, including emotional, coercive or controlling behaviour, and economic abuse.

During his time as Prisons Minister, Alex announced a new scheme to provide temporary, basic accommodation to prison leavers for twelve weeks as well as overhauling the unpaid work that offenders are ordered to do as part of community service.

As HM Solicitor General, Alex oversaw the work of the Law Officers' Departments which includes the Crown Prosecution Service and Serious Fraud Office, as well as the Government Legal Department and HM Crown Prosecution Service Inspectorate.

Denys Maliuska, Minister of Justice of Ukraine

Denys Maliuska holds a Master of Laws degree from London University (2016) and graduated from Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Faculty of Law (2004).

Before serving as Minister of Justice of Ukraine, he spent almost a decade as a Private Sector Development Consultant and Expert in Technical Assistance to Governments at the World Bank Group. From 2000 to 2010, he practiced law, specializing in business law, dispute resolution, and bankruptcy at the "Business Law" law firm.

Spyros Maniatis, Director BIICL

Professor Maniatis joined BIICL as Director in September 2018. He was previously Professor of Intellectual Property Law and Head of the Centre for Commercial Law Studies (CCLS) at Queen Mary University of London. He is now Honorary Professor of Intellectual Property at Queen Mary.

While Head of the CCLS, he extended the reach of the Centre with programmes in France, Singapore, and Greece and added new areas to its teaching and research specialisms ranging from shipping and energy to art and regulation.

Professor Maniatis' expertise and research interests cover innovation and trade, trade marks and unfair competition, the interaction between intellectual property and competition law, as well as intellectual property in China. His work 'Trade Marks in Europe: A Practical Jurisprudence' published its third edition in 2016.

Maria Tymofienko, Project Lead and Head of Projects, Ukraine International Law Response, BIICL

Maria is an international lawyer and Head of Projects, Ukraine International Law Response at the British Institute for International and Comparative Law (BIICL). Originally from Kyiv, Maria moved to the UK in 2012 to continue her academic research at Queen Mary University of London (QMUL.) At QMUL and later at BIICL Maria managed major international assistance projects in support of Ukraine's law and judiciary reform agenda. Maria has worked closely with civil society and parliamentary groups organising numerous delegations of Ukrainian officials and opinion leaders to the UK as well as visits by UK MPs to Ukraine to help build and strengthen UK-Ukraine relations.

Helen Dodds, OStJ, International Expert and Honorary Senior Fellow, BIICL

Helen is an international lawyer, consultant, and board member. She is a (now non-practising) Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England Wales and holds a CEDR mediator

accreditation. She was previously Global Head of Legal, Dispute Resolution at Standard Chartered Bank, and also a non-executive director of the London Court of International Arbitration.

Currently she works as a consultant with a number of organisations including academic bodies, governments and law tech start-ups. She is a director of LegalUK, a think tank that promotes English Law and UK legal services and a member of the advisory board of pinqDR, a company that provides online arbitration. She is also a non-executive board member of two UK regulators, the Human Tissue Authority and the Gambling Commission.

Her charitable work includes being a non-executive director and trustee of the St John's Eye Hospital Group, which provides world class eye care in Israel, the occupied territories and Gaza. She is an Officer of the Most Venerable Order of St John of Jerusalem.

James Hart, Partner Hillmont Partners

James heads the Private Client practice and co-heads the Cross-Border Dispute Resolution practice. His practice is focused on investment planning, assets structuring, acquisition and protection, cross-border transactional and litigation support.

He has been an advisor to the former Prime Minister of Ukraine and former First Vice Prime Minister of Ukraine – Minister of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine. He has provided advice on matters of reform, asset recovery, trade and investment to Ukraine's government and legislature.

Roman Waschuk, Business Ombudsman and Former Canadian Ambassador to Ukraine

Roman Waschuk is a former Canadian diplomat, Business Ombudsman in Ukraine since January 1, 2022. He was born in Toronto (Ontario, Canada), where he graduated from the University of Toronto Schools and completed St. Nicholas Courses on Ukrainian Studies. He studied at the University of Toronto earning a bachelor and master's degree in Central and Eastern European History.

Roman Waschuk joined the Foreign Service in 1987. In Ottawa, he worked in the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in the Eastern Europe, European Union, and Policy Planning Divisions, as well as on the Global Partnership, and the Stabilization and Reconstruction Task Force. In the latter position, he managed an annual budget of CAD 125 mn. Abroad, he worked in the Political/Economic sections of Embassies

in Moscow (1988-91), Kyiv (1994-98), and Berlin (2002-2007). Appointed Ambassador of Canada to Serbia in 2011, with concurrent accreditation to Northern Macedonia and Montenegro. Transferred to Kyiv in October 2014, where he served as Ambassador of Canada until October 2019. Co-organized the Conference on Reforms in Ukraine (Toronto, 2019). Fluent or conversant in English, French, Ukrainian, German, Russian, Polish, and Serbian.

Roman Waschuk was awarded the 125th Anniversary of the Confederation of Canada Medal and the Presidential Order of Merit – Third Class (Ukraine).

Iaroslava Savastieva, Deputy Director, Operations, European Business Association

Deputy Director of Operations at the European Business Association (EBA) in charge of membership experience, business development & membership growth, compliance, administration, and digitalization of business processes.

Mrs. Savastieieva is a co-founder of Global Business for Ukraine (GB4U) and a Board member of the Integrate project by SFox. Besides, Iaroslava is an Expert Group Member at the Ukrainian Network of Integrity and Compliance which was launched by the Business Ombudsman Council, with the support of the EBRD and the OECD.

Denys Maslov, MP, Head of the Parliamentary Committee on Legal Policy of the Verkhovna Rada

Denys Maslov was practicing as a lawyer (2010-2020), a judge of the Dnipro district court of the city of Dniprodzerzhinsk (2016-2018). He is one of the main initiators of a number of draft laws in the field of judicial reform in Ukraine (on improving the selection of judges of the Constitutional Court of Ukraine, on restoring the disciplinary function of the High Council of Justice and creating the Service of Disciplinary Inspectors, on changing procedures for judicial careers, etc.).

Tetyana Antsupova, Professor, Former Judge of the Supreme Court (Ukraine), BA Research fellow, BIICL

Tetyana Antsupova is an experienced academic and legal professional with a strong background in European Human Rights Law, with 17 years of academic experience in Ukraine and Poland, she is recognised as the author of learning courses on the Council of

Europe Law and over 100 academic publications. As a former Judge of the Supreme Court in Ukraine (2017-2023) her expertise spans Judiciary reforms in Ukraine, with a focus on promoting the independence of the judiciary.

Before 2017 Tetyana acted as Head of the Department of International and Comparative Law of International Humanitarian University (Odesa); professor of the European Union Law and Comparative Law Department of National University "Odesa Law Academy" and the Department of International Law of National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy (Kyiv).

She is a visiting professor at Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń (Poland) and a Board member of the Ukrainian Association of International Law.

Olena Kibenko, Professor, Judge of the Supreme Court (Commercial Cassation Court)

Before joining the judiciary in 2017, Olena Kibenko spent over 25 years being an academic and over 15 years in private legal practice, focusing on commercial and corporate law.

She started her private legal practice as a Managing Partner of the law firm "Kibenko, Onika, and Partners". Judge Kibenko is the author of a significant number of publications, textbooks, and monographs.

She has been leading the Supreme Court's Management and Communications Working Group (2017-2021) and coordinating the Strategic Development Group of the Supreme Court (2021- 2022). She is a member of the working group in the EBRD project on online courts.

Kostiantyn Pilkov, Judge of the Supreme Court (Grand Chamber)

Kostiantyn Pilkov has been a Judge of the Supreme Court of Ukraine since 2017. In 2020, he was elected to the Grand Chamber and re-elected in 2023 for a second term. The Grand Chamber is responsible for deciding important cases in commercial, civil, criminal, and administrative jurisdictions to develop a unified application of the law.

Before he was appointed a Supreme Court Judge, Mr Pilkov practiced law as an attorney and arbitrator at several national and international arbitration institutions.

Mr. Pilkov has authored books and research papers on the theory of evidence and proof in international commercial arbitration and court proceedings. He also lectured as an associate professor at the Department of Civil, Commercial, and International Private Law of the Kyiv National University of Trade and Economics from 2016 to 2022.

Ivan Mishchenko, Judge of the Supreme Court (Commercial Cassation Court).

Judge Ivan Mishchenko has had private legal practice since 2006. From 2014 to 2017 he had been a Managing Partner of the Law Firm "Trusted Advisors". Since 2017 he has been a Judge of the Commercial Cassation Court of the Supreme Court. He mainly specializes in contract and property disputes.

He is one of the authors and trainers of the Structure of Judgments training course for the Supreme Court Judges. In 2021-2022 he was a member and the Chair of the Selection Commission for selecting the members of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine, which became operational in June 2023. In February 2022, Judge Mishchenko joined the Armed Forces of Ukraine (93rd Brigade) after the full-scale invasion.

Currently, Judge Mishchenko continues acting in his capacity as a Judge of the Commercial Cassation Court of the Supreme Court (Ukraine).

Tetiana Ohneviuk, attorney-at-law, Ph.D, Founder of the Law Association 'Dobrosud'

Tetiana Ohneviuk is a Partner of AMBASSADORS Law Firm, Ph.D., European University (Kyiv) associate professor and Head of DOBROSUD Law Association - community of judges and judicial candidates united in the pursuit of building a rule-of-law state. Tetiana has over 15+ years of professional experience in dispute resolution practice and specializes in litigation on legal issues of precedential importance for developing the Supreme Court case law. Recently, Tetiana was elected Deputy Head of the IP Committee of the Ukrainian Bar Association.

Olga Shenk, Partner CMS Cameron McKenna LLC

Partner and Head of the Dispute Resolution and Compliance practice group at CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang's Kyiv office.

She has more than 15 years' experience in highly complex litigation and arbitration proceedings in Ukraine and abroad, including in international investment and commercial arbitrations (under ICSID, UNCITRAL, LCIA, ICC, SCC, VIAC, ICAC rules), enforcement of arbitral awards in Ukraine and abroad, and cross-border litigation.

Sir Robin Knowles CBE, Judge of the High Court of England & Wales

Sir Robin Knowles CBE was educated at state school before reading Law at Cambridge. He commenced practice at the Bar in 1984, and was appointed a QC (now KC) in 1999. His practice was in commercial, financial, company and insolvency law. He became the Chair of the Commercial Bar Association of England & Wales and of Advocate (the Bar Pro Bono Unit) and the National Pro Bono Centre.

In 1998 he was appointed an Assistant Recorder, a Recorder in 2000 and a Deputy High Court Judge in 2007, sitting in the Crown Court, the Chancery Division and the Commercial Court. He is a qualified mediator and has sat as an arbitrator. He became a High Court Judge in 2014.

Sir Robin is the judge with day-to-day responsibility for the Standing International Forum of Commercial Courts and is a board member of the Financial Markets Law Committee. He has served as Chair of the International Committee of the Judicial College and as a member of the Civil Justice Council. Through the pandemic he chaired the cross-sector MR's Working Group on possession proceedings. Within the HMCTS Reform Programme he chairs the Litigants in Person Engagement Group (LIPEG).

Sir Robin was awarded the CBE in 2007 for service to pro bono legal services.

Andrew Oldland KC, Partner, Michelmores, and member of the Legal Advisory Council to the Astana International Financial Centre and leading specialist in AIFC law

Andrew Oldland is a Partner at Michelmores. He is a barrister, King's Counsel and part-time judge, Member of the AIFC Legal Advisory Council. He previously held many senior roles as Counsel appointed by the UK government across a broad range of areas. Andrew specializes in financial regulation and financial crime, including anti-corruption, anti-money laundering and sanctions. Andrew lead the team that drafted many of the financial

regulations for the AIFC and advises corporates and regulators operating in the financial sector worldwide.

The Rt. Hon. Dame Elizabeth Gloster, a former Judge of the Court of Appeal of England and Wales and Vice-President of the Civil Division of the High Court of England & Wales

Elizabeth Gloster has been appointed both as chair and co-arbitrator in a large number and wide range of international arbitrations including insurance/reinsurance, shipping, banking, gas and oil, electricity pricing, construction, joint venture and investment disputes. Liz is one of 25 persons listed as willing and able to serve as a member of an arbitration panel under the Agreement between the European Union and the United Kingdom relating to the UK's Withdrawal from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community. In November 2020 she produced her independent investigation's report into the Financial Conduct Authority's regulation of London Capital & Finance plc. In July 2021 she was appointed to the ICC International Court of Arbitration as an alternate member for the UK. Most recently, with effect from 1 September 2023, Liz was appointed by the Master of the Rolls, on the advice of an independent selection panel, to serve as a Deputy Chair of the Takeover Appeal Board. Judge at ADGM Courts since October 2018.

Jonathan Wood, President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Chair of the London Chamber of Arbitration and Mediation, Chair of International arbitration at Reynolds Porter Chamberlain

Chair of International Arbitration. Specialises in international arbitration and dispute resolution relating to international trade (including Bilateral Investment Treaty claims), joint venture and shareholder disputes, project and energy claims, credit and political risk insurance, reinsurance, cultural property and specie, banking and trade finance, fraud and asset tracing, public and private international law.

He has handled numerous institutional and ad hoc arbitrations as counsel, and related court proceedings, and has sat as arbitrator in many cases.

Jonathan is Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is also former Chairman of the International Bar Association's International Sales Committee and is currently a member of the advisory board of the European Regional Forum.

Jonathan has been an adviser and litigation counsel to the British Government's Export Credits Guarantee Department (UKEF) for over 25 years.

Lord Thomas of Cwmgiedd, former Lord Chief Justice of England & Wales, President of the Qatar International Court

Chair of the Commission on Justice in Wales. Lord Thomas was appointed as the Lord Chief Justice of England and Wales in 2013 and retired in October 2017. He was called to the Bar in 1969 and became a Queen's Counsel in 1984. He was appointed an Assistant Recorder in 1984, a Recorder in 1987 and a High Court judge in 1996. His other senior judicial leadership roles include Presiding Judge of the Wales and Chester circuit, Senior Presiding Judge for England and Wales, Vice-President of the Queen's Bench Division and President of the Queen's Bench Division. Lord Thomas has been President of the Qatar International Court since 2018.

Jason McCue, Senior Partner Jason McCue Jury and Partners

Has had a career in international affairs, private diplomacy, and as an international lawyer focused on human rights, counter-terrorism/rogue regimes, victim global class action litigation, asset recovery, conflict resolution, and transitional justice.

Jason's specialisation – in practice and academically - is lawfare (the use of law to gain strategic advantage and societal change for the better). He has acted/advised on lawfare matters for numerous heads of state, governments, opposition groups, international bodies (UN and AU), NGOs, civil society (campaigns), and victims' groups. He is responsible for orchestrating and managing some of the largest (class action) and prominent 'victim' led justice and human rights actions around the world (including cases against IRA, RIRA, Aqsa Martyrs, Hamas, IS, Ghaddafi, Iran, Lukashenko, and more recently representing: the victims of Rohingya genocide against Facebook, victims of UK nuclear testing, and Ukrainian victims against Wagner Group).

He is a founding partner of Ebro Global and is Senior Partner of McCue Jury & Partners LLP.

Among other roles, he has acted as Presidential Envoy for Somaliland; as UN/AU facilitator to the Darfur Peace Process; as adviser on transitional justice to the Transitional Government of Libya; and as head of the Libya-UK Victims Reconciliation Group (supported by the U.K.'s FCDO). He was the architect of and is head of Ukraine's Civil Society Lawfare Programme (backed and supported by the Government of Ukraine) and

its campaign www.payback4ukraine.org. He provides advice to governments and civil society on the confiscation of Russian assets for Ukrainian reparations.

Timur Khromayev, Former Chairman of the National Securities and Stock Market Commission (NSSMC)

Timur Khromaev is a seasoned professional with expertise in finance, law, and strategic management. With a background in economics and international law, he holds degrees from prestigious institutions including Union College and Columbia Business School. Timur has served in various leadership roles, from commanding an electronic warfare company in the armed forces of Ukraine to chairing the National Securities and Stock Market Commission. As a consultant and entrepreneur, he advises on capital markets, alternative energy, and fintech, driving impactful change in Ukraine's financial landscape. Based in Kyiv, Timur continues to make significant contributions to both the public and private sectors.

Andrii Nyzhnyi, Senior Partner at Hillmont Partners

Senior Partner at Hillmont Partners. He has over 16 years of professional experience in the judiciary and legal consulting. He specializes in the development of corporate legal security measures, comprehensive protection of the interests of corporate and private clients, as well as the resolution of complex disputes and conflicts.

He has practical competencies in supporting commercial and investment disputes, judicial and criminal proceedings arising between creditors and debtors, in developing and implementing strategies for legal protection of business and investments, as well as countering raiding and pressure on business activities. Prior to joining Hillmont Partners, Andrii worked in the judiciary for many years. In particular, in the Kyiv District Administrative Court, the Supreme Administrative Court of Ukraine, and as a judge of the local general court.

Olena Orliuk, Director, Ukrainian National IP Office

Doctor Habilitat, Professor, Academician - during the last 20 years has been working in the IP sphere as an expert, lecturer, researcher and manager. She has been heading the State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovation" (UANIPIO) since August 22, 2022.

Ms. Orliuk specializes in intellectual property, innovation activities, financial and banking law in her professional and academic activities. Participated in more than 55 national and international working groups on IP legislation drafting. She was a member and an expert of the UNDP, OSCE, PADCO and WIPO Working Groups on the development of the legislative framework in the intellectual property and innovation sphere. She was an expert under the EU project "Support to Justice Sector Reforms in Ukraine" and the UK Joint Program to facilitate the establishment of the High Specialized IP Court of Ukraine and IP policy making.

She has been continuously involved in the development of regulations on IP and innovation, participated in hundreds of national, regional and international IP events, and closely cooperated with WIPO and other international stakeholders in the global IP sphere. Member of the World Women Inventors & Entrepreneurs Association (WWIEA). In 2023, Ms. Orliuk was listed in Managing IP's 50 Most Influential People in IP.

Sergii Ionushas MP, Head of Law Enforcement Committee of the Verkhovna Rada

Chairman of the Commission on Legal Reform and chairman of the Committee on Law Enforcement in the Verkhovna Rada. Sergii Ionushas was graduated from the Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University and continued education at the Institute of Intellectual Property and Law, obtaining a master's degree and professional qualification in intellectual property. Additionally, he pursued studies at the Institute of International Relations at Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, specializing in European Law. Before being elected as a Member of Parliament, Serhii Ionushas held managerial positions in several legal firms practicing IP law.

Nusrat Ghani MP, Minister of State (Minister for Europe) in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

Nusrat Ghani was appointed a Minister of State (Minister for Europe) in the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office on 26 March 2024. She was previously a Minister of State at the Department for Business and Trade as well as Minister of State

responsible for the Investment Security Unit at the Cabinet Office from 7 February 2023 to 26 March 2024.

She was previously Minister of State at the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy from 27 October 2022 to 7 February 2023, and Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Transport from January 2018 to February 2020.

Nusrat was a Government Whip between July 2019 and December 2019, and an Assistant Government Whip from January 2018 to July 2019.

Mr Eduard Fesko

Mr Fesko has held key roles in Ukraine's diplomatic service. He serves as Chargé d'affaires at the Embassy of Ukraine in the United Kingdom. Prior to this, he held positions such as Deputy Director General at the Ministry's Political Directorate and Counsellor at Ukraine's Permanent Mission to the United Nations. Fesko's career also includes serving as First Secretary and Counsellor at the OSCE Section of Ukraine's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as well as diplomatic postings in Jordan and NATO. He holds a Master's degree in International Policy Studies from the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey.