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FROM THE EDITORS:

Welcome to this 34th edition of *Arbitration World,* a publication from K&L Gates' International Arbitration Group that highlights significant developments and issues in international and domestic arbitration for executives and in-house counsel with responsibility for dispute resolution.

In this edition, we consider the current landscape for international investment treaty arbitration against the backdrop of the election of President Trump in the United States, and the latest developments in the European Union, including 'Brexit'.

We examine the procedures for early disposal of claims/defences recently introduced in some rules of arbitration, and the potential pros and cons of such procedures. We review the new rules of arbitration of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC), launched in January, which are amongst the new rules which include provision for summary determination of claims/defences. We also examine the increasing use of the U.S. district courts' power under 28 U.S.C. § 1782 to order the provision of information or documents for use in arbitration proceedings outside of the United States, with particular reference to recent cases in New York.

We review the proposed new legislation in Hong Kong permitting third-party funding for arbitration, and provide an introduction to maritime arbitration in Tokyo under the Japan Shipping Exchange's TOMAC rules.

We are delighted to include a guest contribution from Catya Simao (In-house Legal Counsel in Angola) regarding the likely effect of Angola's recent ratification of the New York Convention and a review of other steps Angola has taken in recent years to encourage foreign investment. We consider Saudi Arabia's recently enacted arbitration and enforcement laws and the new Saudi Center for Commercial Arbitration. We also report on a recent English court decision on whether an arbitration agreement includes assigned claims.

Additionally, we provide our usual update on developments from around the globe in international arbitration and investment treaty arbitration.

We hope you find this edition of *Arbitration World* of interest, and we welcome any feedback (e-mail ian.meredith@klgates.com or peter.morton@klgates.com).

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