

Senior Executive Leadership Programme on
**Arbitration, Mediation
& Legal Leadership**



**30 June –
3 July 2025**



**London &
Cambridge**



Organized by:
Dhirubhai Ambani University
– School of Law
UK-India Legal Partnership (UKILP)

In collaboration with:
Queen Mary University of London
Gatehouse Chambers, London

PROGRAMME INTRODUCTION

Shaping Legal Leaders for a Globalized World

Dispute resolution today extends beyond borders, with arbitration and mediation key to managing cross-border legal challenges effectively and diplomatically. Legal professionals must be equipped with technical excellence, leadership skills, and global exposure.

The Senior Executive Leadership Programme on Arbitration, Mediation & Legal Leadership unites top legal institutions and experts to equip senior professionals with the tools to lead in international dispute resolution.

This intensive, four-day program—held across London and Cambridge—delivers elite legal instruction, immersive cultural and institutional exposure, and certification from some of the world's top legal entities.

Who Should Apply?

- ✓ Senior legal professionals from corporate law firms and in-house legal departments
- ✓ International business professionals seeking legal leadership training
- ✓ Arbitrators and mediators looking to upgrade their cross-border practice
- ✓ Faculty and legal educators working in ADR and international law
- ✓ Senior advocate and lawyers

What Makes This Programme Unique?

TWO INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATIONS



International Certificate Issued by Queen Mary University of London & Dhirubhai Ambani University.
International Certificate issues jointly by UKILP, Gatehouse Chambers & Dhirubhai Ambani University.

EXCLUSIVE FIELD VISITS & NETWORKING



Tour iconic legal venues like Lincoln's Inn, Law Society of England and Whales, LICA Supreme Court and UK Parliament.

ELITE COHORT



Only **10 participants** will be selected to ensure personalized learning experience and high-caliber peer exchange.

Scholarships:

20% for women, veterans, and 2+ enrollees from one law firm/chamber/company.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

DAY 01 Mon, 30 June 2025 Queen Mary University of London



SESSION:

**Certificate Course on
Arbitration & Leadership Among Lawyers**



SPEAKERS:

Nigen Spencer, Professor of Practice
Queen Mary University of London

Paul Hayes KC, Fellow Queen Mary University,
King's Counsel and Arbitrator at The Victorian
Bar, Melbourne and 39 Essex Chambers



VENUE:

Queen Mary, University of London

The Certificate Course on Arbitration & Legal Leadership, led by Nigel Spencer, Professor of Practice at Queen Mary University, focuses on the evolving demands of cross-border arbitration and legal strategy. Participants develop the leadership mindset and practical skills required to navigate complex international dispute resolution landscapes.

Gala Dinner

DAY 02 1 July 2025 Immersion Exposure to Legal London

Lincoln's Inn, London:

Historic Inn of Court shaping legal tradition since 14th century.

Law Society of England & Wales, London:

Governing body representing solicitors across England and Wales.

Grey's Inn, London:

Renowned legal society known for training eminent barristers.



SESSION:

Certificate in Mediation



SPEAKERS:

Dr. David Smith & Laura Tweedy



VENUE:

Gatehouse Chambers
Tea and snacks will be served

Gatehouse Chambers is a premier London-based firm known for its strong focus on commercial dispute resolution, particularly in arbitration and mediation. Their approach emphasizes strategic negotiation, pragmatic settlement, and client focused outcomes—making them a respected name in both traditional and alternative dispute resolution globally.

Networking Social

DAY 03 Wed, 2 July 2025 Cambridge Experience

Excursion to Cambridge

Experience the charm and gravitas of Cambridge, one of the world's most iconic university towns. Visit to historic colleges like King's, Trinity, and St John's, alongside tranquil riverbanks and cobblestone lanes steeped in centuries of intellectual legacy. Meeting with prominent academicians at Cambridge

DAY 04 Thu, 3 July 2025 Closing Ceremony

Certificate Distribution Ceremony



VENUE:

British Parliament

Visit to the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA)

Visit the London Court of International Arbitration, one of the world's most respected institutions for commercial dispute resolution. Participants will gain behind-the-scenes insight into how complex cross-border arbitrations are administered, and enforced. This visit is a rare opportunity to engage with arbitration professionals, deepening understanding of institutional processes, global standards, and understanding the present and future of international legal practice.

Brought to you by:

Dhirubhai Ambani University – School of Law, Gandhinagar

The Dhirubhai Ambani University - School of Law true to the name of our founding father, Lt. Shri Dhirubhai Ambani, the School of Law aims to develop industry-focused executive development programmes and specialized educational courses in niche legal and regulatory areas to train a community of lawyers in a globalized Indian economy to achieve the goal of Viksit Bharat 2047.

UK-India Legal Partnership

The UK India Legal Partnership (UKILP) is a platform fostering collaboration between legal professionals in India and the UK, including lawyers, judges, and jurists. It promotes legal education, professional exchange, and networking through events and initiatives. UKILP supports young lawyers, encourages cross-border understanding, and celebrates excellence in legal practice. Committed to strengthening India-UK legal ties, the organization has seen rapid growth and strong support from legal communities in both countries.

Centre for Commercial Law Studies (CCLS), Queen Mary University of London

The CCLS is a world-renowned hub for research and education in commercial law, offering deep expertise in arbitration, mediation, and cross-border dispute resolution. Located in London's legal heart, it brings together leading academics, practitioners, and policymakers. As a co-organizer of this program, CCLS draws on its global reputation and extensive industry links to deliver cutting-edge insights and leadership in international arbitration and mediation.

Gatehouse Chambers

Gatehouse Chambers is a leading UK commercial barristers' set, renowned for its expertise in commercial dispute resolution, construction, insolvency, insurance, property, and professional liability. Formerly Hardwicke, it rebranded in 2021 to reflect its commitment to diversity and inclusion. Recognized by Chambers & Partners and Legal 500, Gatehouse is noted for its progressive culture, client-focused approach, and award-winning facilities. It actively promotes legal excellence through training, innovation, and a strong emphasis on equality and social responsibility.

INSTRUCTOR HIGHLIGHTS



Dr. David Smith

Mediator | Legal Educator | Conflict Resolution Specialist

A renowned expert in international mediation and negotiation, Dr. David Smith has trained judges and lawyers across Europe and Asia. As a senior academic in UK institutions, his work focuses on building cross-border dispute resolution frameworks rooted in empathy and effectiveness and his dynamic sessions are known to reshape how legal professionals lead, negotiate, and resolve.



Laura Tweedy

Barrister, Gatehouse Chambers | Property & Mediation Expert

Laura Tweedy is a top-tier barrister at London's Gatehouse Chambers, with 15+ years of experience, acclaimed for her command over property law, landlord-tenant litigation, and civil mediation. Laura champions a practical, resolution-first legal approach. She is also a certified mediator and popular legal trainer, known for her clarity, approachability, and commitment to equitable justice.



Mr. Ajit Mishra

Founder, UK-India Legal Partnership | Chair, Center for Commercial Law Studies - India Chapter

Mr. Ajit Mishra is a dual-qualified lawyer (India and UK) with over two decades of experience in international commercial law, cross-border transactions, and M&A. He has advised multinational corporations on India-UK investments and led India-focused legal practices in top British firms. Founder of the UK-India Legal Partnership and Chair of CCLS India Chapter, he has contributed significantly to legal, policy, and academic collaboration between India and the UK.



Prof. (Dr.) Avinash Dadhich

Founding Director, Dhirubhai Ambani University - School of Law | Data Privacy & AI Law Expert

Prof. (Dr.) Avinash Dadhich is the Founding Director of the Dhirubhai Ambani Institute - School of Law. An expert in AI law, data privacy, and competition law, he has been a fellow at King's College London and the Max Planck Institute. Dr. Dadhich has practiced before the Supreme Court of India and consulted for, or represented Deloitte, EY, and the Competition Commission of India. He also serves on the Global Advisory Board of AMS Ethical AI.



Nigel Spencer

Director, The Hub for Professional Practice, Queen Mary University of London

Nigel Spencer is a multi award-winning expert in leadership development in the legal sector. A qualified Executive Coach, Nigel is also currently Professor of Professional Practice at Queen Mary's Law School. Previously, he held global leadership development roles at law firms Simmons & Simmons LLP and Reed Smith LLP, was a Director of Executive Education at Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, and recently completed a book on being an effective leader in the legal sector.



Paul Hayes KC

Fellow Queen Mary University, King's Counsel and Arbitrator at The Victorian Bar, Melbourne and 39 Essex Chambers

A Senior Counsel since 2017, he is a leading barrister with a global practice across Melbourne, London, Singapore, and beyond. Specialising in complex litigation, international arbitration, and sports law, he frequently appears in high-profile jury and appellate cases. He is a Senior Fellow at Queen Mary University of London and has been internationally recognised by Who's Who Legal and Doyle's Guide. He currently serves as President of the Commercial Bar Association (Vic) and is a member of the World Rugby Anti-Doping Judicial Panel.

ENROLLMENT DETAILS

Seats Available: Only 10

Apply Now:

Send your expression of interest to admissions_sol@dau.ac.in

Program Fee:

₹ 2,30,000/- (inc. GST)

(Excluding - Visa + Flights + Accommodation + Insurance + Food arrangement except mentioned)

Selection Criteria:

Short-listed based on Profile/CV submission

Application Deadline:

1st June, 2025

(First come first serve)

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