



Sir Daniel Bethlehem KCMG KC

*Summary Curriculum Vitae
Principal Cases, Appointments and Publications*

Daniel Bethlehem is a barrister and arbitrator practising in the field of public international law from *Twenty Essex* chambers in London. From May 2006 to May 2011, he was the principal Legal Adviser of the U.K. Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO), now the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). Prior to this, he was in practice at the Bar and, in parallel, Director of the Lauterpacht Centre of International Law at the University of Cambridge and Fellow of Clare Hall, Cambridge. In addition to his legal practice, Daniel is the director of *Legal Policy International Ltd*, a strategic consultancy advising on high legal content international policy and political issues. He was knighted in June 2010.

As arbitrator, Daniel has been appointed in both investor-State and non-investment cases, with notable experience in both PCA and ICSID-administered arbitrations. Daniel is a member of the ICSID Panel of Arbitrators and a panellist on the WTO Indicative List of Panellists maintained by the WTO Secretariat, in both cases designated by the United Kingdom. He is also designated by the European Commission on the list of candidates suitable for appointment as Chairpersons for Arbitrations and is a member of the Chairpersons Arbitration Panel designated jointly by the United Kingdom and the European Union pursuant to Article 171 of the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement. Given the extent of his investor-State arbitral practice as arbitrator, Daniel does not as a general matter accept instructions as counsel in investor-State cases.

As counsel, Daniel has appeared in every major international forum, including the ICJ, ITLOS, UNCLOS VII tribunals and the so far sole UNCLOS Annex V conciliation

commission, WTO panels, the Iran – U.S. Claims Tribunal, the European Court of Human Rights, and others. He has also appeared at every level of English courts and tribunals, from the Employment Tribunal to the United Kingdom Supreme Court, in cases involving questions of international law. He is frequently asked to put together and lead specialist strategic advisory and litigation teams dealing with complex and multi-faceted disputes. He is experienced in both behind-the-scenes advisory and upfront litigation roles. On high legal content policy matters, he has been consulted on issues ranging from peace negotiations to third-party conciliation processes and engagement in multilateral and regional diplomatic fora. He has extensive experience of engagement with and at the United Nations, various of its Specialised Agencies, and other inter-governmental and supra-national organisations.

In parallel with his legal and advisory practice, Daniel is Visiting Professor in the Department of War Studies at King’s College London. His previous academic appointments include the London School of Economics and Cambridge University, at which he taught graduate courses in United Nations law, GATT/WTO and international trade law, and advanced general courses in public international law, including the use of force, the law of armed conflict / international humanitarian law, the law on State responsibility, immunities, and more. He has also been a Visiting Professor in the Department of Law at Columbia University in New York and a Senior Fellow at the Human Rights Institute of Columbia Law School

Amongst other appointments and affiliations, Daniel is Chair of the Advisory Board of the Lauterpacht Centre of International Law at the University of Cambridge, and a Member of the Advisory Committee on International Law of the U.S. Department of State.

ARBITRAL APPOINTMENTS AND PRINCIPAL CASES AS COUNSEL OR ADVISER
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From May 2006 to May 2011, in his capacity as FCO Legal Adviser, Daniel had a close involvement in all litigation involving the UK Government, or engaging UK Government interests, involving questions of public international law (including under the European Convention on Human Rights) before UK courts, foreign domestic courts, EU courts, and international courts and tribunals. With the exception of proceedings before the International Court of Justice, these cases are *not* listed below. The details below refer to principal cases or matters that are in the public domain.

Arbitral appointments

Designated by the European Commission on the list of candidates suitable for appointment as Chairpersons for Arbitrations

Member of the Chairpersons Arbitration Panel designated jointly by the United Kingdom and the European Union pursuant to Article 171 of the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement

ICSID Panel of Arbitrators, designated by the United Kingdom pursuant to Article 13(1) of the ICSID Convention

Panellist, WTO Indicative List of Panellists maintained by the WTO Secretariat in accordance with Article 8.4 of the WTO Dispute Settlement Understanding

Current cases and appointments

Arbitrator, *Aeroporto Belbek LLC and Mr. Igor Valerievich Kolomoisky v. The Russian Federation* (PCA Case No. 2015-07)

Arbitrator, *PJSC CB PrivatBank and Finance Company Finilon LLC v. The Russian Federation* (PCA Case No. 2015-21)

Arbitrator, *KS Invest GmbH and TLS Invest GmbH v. Kingdom of Spain* (ICSID Case No. ARB/15/25)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Hela Schwarz GmbH v. People's Republic of China* (ICSID Case No. ARB/17/19)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Igor Boyko v. Ukraine* (PCA Case No. 2017-23)

Arbitrator, *Mohammad Reza Khalilpour Bahari (Iran) v. The Republic of Azerbaijan* (PCA Case No. 2022-49)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Coropi Holdings Limited, Kalemegdan Investments Limited and Erinn Bernard Broshko v. Republic of Serbia* (ICSID Case No. ARB/22/14)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Eurohold Bulgaria AD and Euroins Insurance Group AD v. Romania* (ICSID Case No. ARB/24/18)

Concluded cases

Arbitrator, *Tennant Energy LLC v. Government of Canada* (PCA Case No. 2018-54)

Arbitrator, *Cavalum SGPS, S.A. v. Kingdom of Spain* (ICSID Case No. ARB/15/34)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Philip Morris International Inc. and others v. Ukraine* (ICSID Case No. ARB/21/3)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Human Rights Defenders Inc., as assignee of Natale Palazzo, Rodolfo Scodeller and Antonio Basile v. Swiss Confederation* (ICSID Case No. ARB/20/29)

Arbitrator, *Bank of Cyprus Public Company Limited v. Hellenic Republic* (ICSID Case No. ARB/17/4)

Presiding Arbitrator, *Itisaluna Iraq LLC and others v. Republic of Iraq* (ICSID Case No. ARB/17/10)

Arbitrator, *UP and C.D Holding Internationale v. Hungary* (ICSID Case No. ARB/13/35)

Presiding Arbitrator, *JSC BTA Bank v. Kyrgyz Republic* (PCA-administered BIT arbitration)

Arbitrator, *Aktau Petrol Ticaret A.Ş. and Som Petrol Ticaret A.Ş. v. Republic of Kazakhstan* (ICSID Case No. ARB/15/8)

Arbitrator in a PCA-administered non-BIT arbitration

Arbitrator, *Eli Lilly and Company v. Canada* (ICSID Case No. UNCT/14/2)

Arbitrator in three cases under the UK Arbitration Act 1996

Presiding Arbitrator, *Spence International Investments et al. v. Republic of Costa Rica*, subsequently renamed *Aaron C. Berkowitz et al. v. Republic of Costa Rica* (ICSID Case No. UNCT/13/2)

Arbitrator of the Court of Arbitration for Sport – various cases (not involving any question of public international law)

US v. Canada (Agricultural Tariffs) (1996-1997), Assistant to the Chairman of the Panel in proceedings under Chapter Twenty of the NAFTA

US v. Canada (Softwood Lumber) (1999-2000), Assistant to the Chairman of the Panel in ad hoc proceedings under the Canada–US Softwood Lumber Agreement

Counsel / Adviser

International Court of Justice

Pending cases

Alleged violations of the 1955 Treaty of Amity, Economic Relations, and Consular Rights (Islamic Republic of Iran v. United States of America), counsel to the United States

Certain Iranian Assets (Islamic Republic of Iran v. United States of America), counsel to the United States

Obligations of States in Respect of Climate Change, counsel to the Republic of Albania

Counsel/adviser in other pending cases

Concluded cases

Application of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (Qatar v. United Arab Emirates), counsel to the United Arab Emirates

Application for revision of the Judgment delivered on 23 May 2008 in the case concerning Sovereignty over Pedra Branca/Pulau Batu Puteh, Middle Rocks and South Ledge (Malaysia/Singapore) (Malaysia v. Singapore), counsel to Malaysia

Request for Interpretation of the Judgment of 23 May 2008 in the case concerning Sovereignty over Pedra Branca/Pulau Batu Puteh, Middle Rocks and South Ledge (Malaysia/Singapore) (Malaysia v. Singapore), counsel to Malaysia

Obligation to Negotiate Access to the Pacific Ocean (Bolivia v. Chile), counsel to Chile

Obligations concerning Negotiations relating to Cessation of the Nuclear Arms Race and to Nuclear Disarmament (Marshall Islands v. United Kingdom), counsel to the United Kingdom

Certain Documents (Timor-Leste v Australia), counsel to Australia

Advisory Opinion on *Accordance with international law of the unilateral declaration of independence in respect of Kosovo*, representative of, and counsel to, the United Kingdom

Case Concerning Sovereignty Over Pedra Branca / Pulau Batu Puteh, Middle Rocks and South Ledge, counsel to Malaysia

Advisory Opinion on *Legal Consequences of the Construction of a Wall in the Occupied Palestinian Territory*, counsel to Israel

Legality of Use of Force (Yugoslavia v. Belgium), counsel to Belgium

Arrest Warrant of 11 April 2000 (Democratic Republic of the Congo v. Belgium), counsel to Belgium

Advisory Opinion on *Difference Relating to Immunity from Legal Process of a Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights*, counsel to Malaysia

Questions of Interpretation and Application of the 1971 Montreal Convention arising from the Aerial Incident at Lockerbie (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya v. United Kingdom), counsel to the United Kingdom

Advisory Opinion on *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*, counsel to the United Kingdom

Advisory Opinion on *Legality of the Use by a State of Nuclear Weapons in Armed Conflict*, counsel to the United Kingdom

Ad hoc and other inter-State proceedings

Indus Waters Treaty Arbitration (Pakistan v. India) (PCA Case No. 2023-01), counsel to Pakistan

Indus Waters Treaty Neutral Expert Proceedings (India v. Pakistan) (PCA Case No. 2023-14), counsel to Pakistan

Counsel and adviser in an inter-State maritime boundary delimitation matter

The M/T “Heroic Idun” (No. 2) Case (Marshall Islands/Equatorial Guinea), (ITLOS, Case No. 32), counsel to the Republic of the Marshall Islands

The M/T “Heroic Idun” Case (Marshall Islands v. Equatorial Guinea), Prompt Release (ITLOS, Case No. 30), counsel to the Republic of the Marshall Islands

Counsel in an inter-State human rights complaint proceeding and an inter-State conciliation proceeding

Arbitration pursuant to Article 32 of the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union (The State of Qatar v. The United Arab Emirates), arbitration under Article 32 of the Constitution of the Universal Postal Union, administered by the PCA (PCA Case No. 2020-28), counsel to the United Arab Emirates

Re Application (A) of the State of Qatar Relating to the Disagreement with the Arab Republic of Egypt, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates Arising under the Convention on International Civil Aviation, counsel to the United Arab Emirates in proceedings before the ICAO Counsel under Article 84 of the Chicago Convention

Re Application (B) of the State of Qatar Relating to the Disagreement with the Arab Republic of Egypt, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates Arising under the Convention on International Civil Aviation, counsel to the United Arab Emirates in proceedings before the ICAO Counsel under Article II, paragraph 2 of the International Air Services Transit Agreement

Case B1 (Claims 2 & 3), Iran v. United States, counsel to the United States in proceedings before the Iran – U.S. Claims Tribunal

Timor-Leste / Australia, adviser/counsel to Australia in UNCLOS Annex V Conciliation Commission proceedings administered by the PCA (PCA Case No. 2016-10)

Arbitration under the Timor Treaty (Timor-Leste v. Australia), counsel to Australia in an inter-State arbitration administered by the PCA (PCA Case No. 2015-42)

Enrica Lexie Incident (Italy v. India), counsel to Italy in UNCLOS Annex VII arbitration proceedings

Enrica Lexie Incident (Italy v. India), counsel to Italy in provisional measures proceedings before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Arbitration under the Timor Sea Treaty (Timor-Leste v. Australia), counsel to Australia in an inter-State arbitration administered by the PCA (PCA Case No. 2013-16)

Case A/15 (II:A), Iran v. United States, counsel to the United States in proceedings before the Iran – U.S. Claims Tribunal

Counsel in an inter-State boundary mediation

Adviser in a number of matters concerning maritime boundary delimitation

Xenides-Arestis v. Turkey, counsel to Turkey in proceedings before the European Court of Human Rights

Case B/61, Iran v. United States, counsel to the United States in proceedings before the Iran–US Claims Tribunal

Channel Tunnel Group v. Secretary of State for Transport, counsel to the United Kingdom in *ad hoc* proceedings under the Eurotunnel Concession Agreement and Treaty

MOX Plant Case (Ireland v. United Kingdom), counsel to the United Kingdom in UNCLOS Annex VII arbitration proceedings

MOX Plant Case (Ireland v. United Kingdom), counsel to the United Kingdom in proceedings before the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea

Ireland v. United Kingdom, counsel to the United Kingdom in *ad hoc* arbitration proceedings under the OSPAR Convention

Counsel / adviser in two proceedings before WTO panels and Appellate Body

EC-Restrictions on Butter Products, counsel to New Zealand in WTO panel proceedings

Other international proceedings and processes

Counsel / adviser in two inter-State legal-diplomatic disputes

Adviser in proceedings before the International Criminal Court

Adviser in a matter concerning an UNCLOS International Seabed Authority exploration license

External Legal Counsel to the Government of Bahrain on the implementation of the recommendations of the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry

Mitchell Committee of Inquiry, counsel to Israel in respect of its submissions to an *ad hoc* committee of inquiry into the violence between Israel and the Palestinians

Adviser to Israel on certain matters relating to the peace negotiations between Israel and Jordan leading to the conclusion of the 1994 Treaty of Peace

Counsel / adviser on various WTO matters, including in respect of proceedings before WTO panels and Appellate Body

Various cases as counsel before the Court of Arbitration for Sport engaging questions of public international law

Expert witness on questions of State succession to treaties in proceedings before the Singapore courts concerning a challenge to a BIT award: *Sanum Investments Limited v. The Lao People's Democratic Republic*

Proceedings before English and EU courts

Numerous cases as counsel representing both States and private parties before all levels of English courts and tribunals, including the UK Supreme Court, engaging a wide range of questions of public international law

Numerous cases before the Court of Justice of the European Union on questions of European Union and public international law as counsel for the United Kingdom and other parties

PUBLICATIONS, PARLIAMENTARY EVIDENCE AND MAJOR PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Books

The Oxford Handbook of International Trade Law, 2nd Edition (2022), Ed., with McRae, Neufeld and van Damme

International Environmental Law Reports (5 Vols.), Ed., Cairo Robb; Gen. Ed., with Crawford and Sands

The 'Yugoslav' Crisis in International Law: General Issues, Part I (1997), Ed., with Weller

The Kuwait Crisis: Sanctions and Their Economic Consequences (1991), 2 Vols., Ed.

The Kuwait Crisis: Basic Documents (1991), Ed., with Lauterpacht, Greenwood and Weller

Articles, Chapters and Comments

“Project 2100: looking back, looking forward—A 2020s perspective on the international legal order”, (2024) *Cambridge International Law Journal*, Vol. 13, No. 1, pp. 154–172

“The International Trading System: Looking Towards 2100”, with McRae, D., in *The Oxford Handbook of International Trade Law*, Bethlehem, McRae, Neufeld and van Damme (eds., 2nd edition, 2022), chapter 41

“Project 2100 – Is the International Legal Order Fit for Purpose?”, *EJIL:Talk!*, 29 November 2022

“The Greening of International Dispute Settlement? Stepping Back a Little”, *Proceedings of the ASIL Annual Meeting* (June 2020), 114, 225-234. Doi:10.1017/amp.2021.20

The Supremacy of International Law? – The 2nd Annual British Embassy (The Hague) International Law Lecture (23 May 2016), *EJIL: Talk!*, Part One, 2 June 2016; Part Two, 3 June 2016

Miscellaneous responses to comments on the *Self-Defense Principles* (see principal publication below):

- JustSecurity blog (20 June 2016): “*Material Support*” and *Targeting*
- Lawfare Blog (7 April 2016): *Not By Any Other Name: A Response to Jack Goldsmith on Obama's Imminence*

“When is an act of war lawful?”, in *The Right to Life under Article 2 of the European Convention on Human Rights: Twenty Years of legal Developments since McCann v. the United Kingdom (WLP, 2016)*, pp.231–240

“The End of Geography: The Changing Nature of the International System and the Challenge to International Law”, *European Journal of International Law* (2014), Vol. 25(1), 9-24

“Stepping Back a Moment – The Legal Basis in Favour of a Principle of Humanitarian Intervention”, *EJIL:Talk!*, 12 September 2013

“Principles of Self-Defense – A Brief Response”, 107 *American Journal of International Law* 579 (2013)

“The Relationship between International Humanitarian Law and International Human Rights Law in Situations of Armed Conflict”, 2(2) *Cambridge Journal of International and Comparative Law* 180 (2013)

Written evidence to the UK Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights on the Justice and Security Bill, 15 October 2012

“Self-Defense Against an Imminent or Actual Armed Attack by Nonstate Actors”, 106 *American Journal of International Law* 769 (2012)

“The Secret Life of International Law”, 1(1) *Cambridge Journal of International and Comparative Law* 23 (2012)

“After the Arab Spring – Part II”, *YaleGlobal Online*, September 2011

“Mopping Up the Last War or Stumbling Into the Next”, *Harvard National Security Law Journal*, October 2011

Written evidence to the (Chilcot) Iraq Inquiry, 24 June 2011

“A Transatlantic View of International Law and Lawyers: Cooperation and Conflict in Hard Times”, *Proceedings of the ASIL Annual Meeting* (March 2009), Vol. 103, pp. 455–466

“The methodological framework of the Study”, in *Perspectives on the ICRC Study on Customary International Humanitarian Law* (2007), Eds., Wilmshurst and Breau

“Is There a Role for Law in the Middle East Peace Process?”, *Proceedings of the ASIL Annual Meeting* (April 2005), 99 *PASIL* (2005), p.217

“Domestic Implementation of Security Council Sanctions Decisions: A Comparative Approach – The European Union”, in *Domestic Implementation of Security Council Sanctions Decisions: A Comparative Approach* (2004), Ed., Gowlland-Debbas

“International Law and the Use of Force: The Law as it is and as it Should Be”, evidence to the House of Commons, Foreign Affairs Committee, Foreign Policy Aspects of the War against Terrorism (Seventh Report of Session 2003–04; Vol.II, pp.100–116)

“The scope and content of the principle of *non-refoulement*: Opinion”, with Sir Elihu Lauterpacht QC, in *Refugee Protection in International Law* (2003), Eds., Feller, Türk and Nicholson

“Regional Interface Between Security Council Decisions and Member States Implementation: The Example of the European Union”, in *United Nations Sanctions and International Law* (2001), Ed., Gowlland-Debbas

“Submissions on Points of Fact and Law: Written and Oral Pleadings Before the International Court of Justice”, in *Improving WTO Dispute Settlement Procedures: Issues & Lessons from the Practice of Other International Courts & Tribunals* (2000), Ed., Weiss

“International Law, European Community Law and National Law: Three Systems in Search of a Framework”, in *Legal Aspects of the European Union* (1997), Ed., Koskenniemi

“Sanctions Against Yugoslavia”, 3(8) *International Company and Commercial Law Review* (1992), p.286; 9(10) *Oil & Gas Law and Taxation Review* (1991) 328

“Claims Against Iraq: The Security Council Initiative”, 2(8) *International Company and Commercial Law Review* (1991), p.264; 9(2) *Oil & Gas Law and Taxation Review* (1991) 39

“The Kuwait Crisis – economic sanctions in review”, 135(6) *Solicitors Journal* (1991), p.178

Notable Public Lectures

“Project 2100—Looking Back, Looking Forward: A 2020’s Perspective on the International Legal Order”, Arnold & Porter and the Lauterpacht Centre for International Law Lecture, 13 November 2023

<https://www.twentysessex.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Sir-Daniel-Bethlehem-Project-2100-Looking-Back-Looking-Forward-A-2020s-Perspective-on-the-International-Legal-Order13-November-2023.pdf>

“Is the International Legal Order Fit for Purpose?”, Keynote address delivered at BonelliErede, Milan, 4 May 2022

“Evidence in Investor-State Arbitration”, Keynote address, Thirty-Fifth ITF Public Conference, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, 29 April 2021 (https://www.biicl.org/documents/10698_bethlehem_-_evidence_in_investor-state_arbitration_final.pdf)

“The End of Geography?”, a comment on the address by Professor Andrew Hurrell to the Biennial Conference of the European Society of International Law, Cambridge, 2 September 2010, in *Select Proceedings of the European Society of International Law*, Vol. III, 2010, Crawford, J., and Nouwen, S., (eds)

“Aspects of Dispute Resolution in the International World”, Middle Temple King James Lecture, 25 February 2008

“The Principle of Distinction”, Second Commonwealth Red Cross and Red Crescent Conference on International Humanitarian Law, Wellington, New Zealand, 30 August 2007

“The ICRC Customary Law Study: An Assessment”, Chatham House Conference on *The Law of Armed Conflict: Problems and Prospects*, 18 April 2005

PERSONAL DETAILS

Born in London, June 1960

Grew up in Johannesburg, South Africa (1963–1982)

Nationality – British

Working language – English

Education

BA (Political Science and International Relations), University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa (1979–1981)

LLB, University of Bristol, Bristol, UK (1982–1985)

Barrister, Middle Temple, London (1988)

LLM, Queen’s College, University of Cambridge, Cambridge, UK (1989–1990)

Professional experience

Corporate finance adviser and European equity strategist, Barclays de Zoete Wedd, London (1985–1986; 1987–1989)

Corporate finance adviser, Nikko Securities, London (1986–1987)

Barrister (1988) and Queen’s Counsel (2003) / King’s Counsel (as of 8 September 2022), Twenty Essex Chambers (formerly 20 Essex Street and 3 Essex Court), London (1991–2006; 2011–)

Of counsel, Forrester, Norral & Sutton, Brussels (1991–1992)

Lecturer in International Law, London School of Economics (1992–1998)

Deputy Director (1998–2002) and Director (2002–2006), Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, and Lecturer in International Law (1998–2006), University of Cambridge

Fellow, Clare Hall, University of Cambridge (1998–2006)

Principal Legal Adviser, UK Foreign & Commonwealth Office, London (2006–2011)

Director, Palantir Technologies UK Ltd (2013–2024)

Director, Legal Policy International Ltd (LPI), London (2011–)

Appointments, Honours and Affiliations

Queen’s Counsel (2003) / King’s Counsel (8 September 2022)

Bencher, Middle Temple, London (2008–)

Knighted (KCMG), June 2010

Member (WEOG nominee), Search Committee for the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (2011)

Member, UK Foreign Secretary's "Locarno Group" of external advisers on UK foreign policy (2011–2020)

Consulting Senior Fellow on Law and Strategy, International Institute of Strategic Studies, London (2011–2016)

Member, Advisory Committee on International Law, U.S. State Department (2012–)

Visiting Senior Fellow (2011) and Visiting Professor (2012–2014), Columbia University Law School, New York City

Senior Fellow, Human Rights Institute, Columbia University Law School (2012–2024)

Member, Advisory Council, Restatement Fourth of the Foreign Relations Law of the United States (2012–2019)

Sometime Member of the Executive Council and Councillor, American Society of International Law

Sometime Member of the Advisory Council, British Institute of International and Comparative Law

Sometime Member of the Council, British Branch of the International Law Association, London

Sometime Member of the Advisory Council, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, London

Chair, Advisory Board, Lauterpacht Centre for International Law, University of Cambridge (2014–)

Visiting Professor, War Studies Department, King's College London (2015–)

Pastimes

Master scuba diver

Trekking / climbing (Everest base camp, Kilimanjaro, Alps, Patagonia)