

Masterclass on investing in Africa through Commercial Private International Law

The preliminary programme for the TMC Asser Institute Masterclass on investing in English speaking Africa through private international law is now out.

During a two-day masterclass **Chukwuma Okoli** from the TMC Asser Institute will be joined by experts in the field of private international law such as **Dr Pontian Okoli**, lecturer in Private International Law and Commercial Law at the University of Stirling, Scotland, **Professor Elsabe Schoeman**, Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Pretoria, South Africa, **Richard Frimpong Oppong**, Associate Professor at the University of Bradford School of Law, and **Anthony Kennedy**, Associate Member of Serle Court Chambers in London.

These professionals will offer you theoretical and practical insights into commercial law, private international law and transnational litigation. Among other topics, they will discuss the questions of jurisdiction, choice of court agreements, foreign currency obligations, and recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments. Knowledge of these topics in English-speaking Africa is essential for effective investment, as the number of international commercial transactions on the continent grows.

For more information please visit the event page.

Relevance for investment

Africa's population is approximately one billion people, and its growing population is expected to reach nearly 2.2 billion people by 2030. The recent African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) Agreement seeks to create free movement of persons, goods and services within the African Union. This has

accentuated the role of private international law in resolving potential cross-border disputes involving international commercial actors. Lawyers, judges, arbitrators and other stakeholders will have to gain advanced knowledge of the specific operation of private international law in the African context.

PO points

Dutch lawyers can obtain 10 PO points for their attendance.

About the masterclass series

Lifelong learning is essential for those engaged in today's legal and business world. The Asser Academy Masterclass series are short courses tailored to professionals who wish to deepen their knowledge, stay up-to-date and remain competitive by mastering skills the global market needs. The Asser Academy Masterclass series will combine the cutting-edge knowledge of academia with the hands-on experience of practitioners.

Date: 24 - 25 June 2021

Fee: €995,- €745,-(IJI and Asser clients),- €495,-(Students and NGO-workers)

Venue: Online

Organiser: T.M.C. Asser Instituut