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Educational/Professional Memberships

Elected member of the LCIA Court in 2017
 President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) for the year 2017
 Deputy President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) for the year 2016
 Previously Chairman of the Board of Trustees for the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators 2014-15 (CI Arb)
 Professor of Law in International Commercial Arbitration - Lebanese University- Faculty of Law and Lebanese Judicial Institute
 Previously Visiting Professor of Law at University Paris-II Assas-Sorbonne
 Member of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators designated by the Chairman of the ICSID Administrative Council
 Lebanon Designee (one of four) of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators and Arbitrators
 Member of the Council of the ICC Institute
 Member of the ICC Institute Prize Jury
 Trustee of the CRICICA Board of Trustees
 Member of the ICCA, DIAC, BCDR, LCIA, CRCICA, KLRCA, HKIAC
 Member of the CI Arb Lebanon Branch
 Member of the Committee of Arbitration, Beirut Bar
 Member of the International Association of Lawyers 1996-2005

Current Position

Senior Partner, Obeid Law Firm
 President, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Professional Experience

2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb).
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb).
2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deputy President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb)
2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) Board of Trustees.
2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tutor, International Commercial Arbitration Diploma, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb), University of Oxford, UK.
2012 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member of the ICCA (International Council for Commercial Arbitration). Trustee of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA).
2012-2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vice-Chair of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) Board of Trustees.
2010-2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visiting Professor of International Commercial Arbitration, University Pantheon-Assas Paris II.

2010-2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-Chair of the International Bar Association's (IBA) arbitration committee.
2009 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trustee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) Board of Trustees. • Jury member of the ICC Institute Prize.
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expert nominated by Acojuris for the ongoing training programme for Lebanese magistrates in Arbitration, a French Justice Ministry initiative.
2008 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Club of Arbitrators, Milan Chamber of Arbitration.
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counselor for the Arab Users' Council of the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Expert Commission in charge of the formulation of an Arab draft Law for guidance on Mediation and Conciliation.
2005 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Committee of Arbitration, Beirut Bar.
2004-2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb), Lebanon Branch.
2004-2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Corporate Governance Working Group of Islamic Banking.
2003 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chartered Arbitrator, Fellow (FCI Arb) of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb).
2002 - 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner at the United Nations (Compensation Commission), Geneva.
2002 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor of Law in International Commercial Arbitration - Lebanese University- Faculty of Law.
1999 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Council of the ICC Institute of World Business Law.
1999-2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondent to the Yearbook of Islamic and Middle Eastern Law for the Lebanon Country Survey.
1997 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Legal Committee adviser of the Board of Directors of the Lebanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
1996-2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the International Association of Lawyers. • Permanent National Correspondent to the Arbitration Commission of the International Association of Lawyers.
1996-2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Associate Professor of Civil Law and International Commercial Arbitration, Lebanese University - Faculty of Law. • Associate Professor of International Commercial Arbitration, Saint-Esprit University -Faculty of Law.
1987 to date	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Partner at Obeid Law Firm.

Arbitration Experience

Practising since (year)	1987
No of domestic arbitrations	31 (since 2000)
No of international arbitrations	55 (since 2000)
No of cases as Chairman	Intl: 21 Domestic: 16 Total: 37
No of cases as Sole Arbitrator	Intl: 10 Domestic: 8 Total: 18
No of cases as Co-Arbitrator	Intl: 20 Domestic: 6 Total: 26
No of cases as Counsel	Intl: 5 Domestic: 1 Total: 6

No of cases in another capacity	As Expert: Intl: 5 Domestic: - Total: 5
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Publications

- *GAR Know-How – Investment Treaty Arbitration* – Lebanon, October 2016 (co-author).
- *Getting the Deal Through: Investment Treaty Arbitration 2016 – Lebanon*, November 2015 (co-author).
- “Salient Issues in Arbitration From an Arab Middle Eastern Perspective”, *The Arbitration Brief*, 2014.
- “ADR and Islamic Finance”, Article published in *The Resolver Magazine*, CI Arb July 2014.
- “Mediation in the Arab World: Challenges and Prospects”, *Liber Amicorum, dedicated to Serge Lazareff*, January 2011.
- “Arbitration: its Impact and Outcome and the Role of the Expert Accountant in Arbitration”, *Certified Accountant Magazine*, Article No. 30, Second Edition 2007.
- “Recovery of Damages for Breach of an Obligation of Payment”, *Evaluation of Damages in International Arbitration*, Dossiers ICC Institute of World Business Law, Paris, June 2006.
- “Investment Encouragement within the Framework of the Lebanese Experience of Dispute Settlement”, *Lawyers for the New Millennium, a program for Lebanese Lawyers, presented by the Arab Lawyers Union, Beirut and Tripoli Bar associations in partnership with the Law Society of England and Wales, funded by the European Community*, Vol. 1, Beirut, May 2003.
- “The Impact and Consequences of Changes in Lebanese Arbitration Law”, *ICC International Court of Arbitration Bulletin*, Vol.14, No. 1, 2003.
- “The Legal Means to Ensure Public Safety in Buildings and Construction Projects”, *Al-Mouhandess Review of the Beirut Order of Engineers*, No. 16, 2003.
- Lebanon Country Surveys for the *Yearbook of Islamic and Middle Eastern Law*, 1999-2007.
- “Réalité et Perspectives de l’Arbitrage en Droit Libanais”, *Al-Mouhandess Review of the Beirut Order of Engineers*, October 2001.
- “L’Arbitre: Rôle, Devoirs et Obligations”, *Review of Order of Attorneys in Tripoli*, March 2001.
- “Le Statut de l’Arbitre en Droit Libanais et en Droit Comparé”, *Al-Mouhandess Review of the Beirut Order of Engineers*, No. 12, 2001.
- “Evaluation des Procédures Arbitrales au Liban dans les Contrats d’investissements”, *U.S.E.K Faculty of Law Review*, April 2001.
- “Arbitration in Engineering Contracts”, *Al-Mouhandess Review of the Beirut Order of Engineers*, No. 16, February 2000.
- “Recent Developments in International Arbitration in Lebanon”, *Journal of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators*, Vol. 65, London, February 1999.
- “The International Contracts: A Comparative Study”, *Review of the Arab University of Beirut*, February 1999.
- “The Award in Lebanese Law”, *Al-Adl Review of the Beirut Bar Association*, June 1998.
- “Le Risque dans les Contrats de Droit Musulman”, *Le Risque, U.S.E.K Review*, No. 9, Beirut, April 1997.

- "The Choice of the Arbitrator in Arab Legal Systems", *La Revue Libanaise de l'Arbitrage*, No. 3, Beirut, December 1996.
- "The Status of the Arbitrator", *Al-Adl, Review of the Order of the Attorneys of Beirut*, January 1996.
- "Particularity of the Contract's Subject-matter in the Laws of the Arab Middle East", *Arab Law Quarterly*, Vol. II Part 4, Kluwer, London, December 1996.
- "The Role of Muslim Law in Law Suits Involving Commercial Contracts in Arab Countries", *Beirut Bar Review for Training Lawyers*, June 1995.
- "Charging Interest in the Arabian Peninsula", *Middle East Commercial Law Review*, Vol. 1, Issue 3, Sweet and Maxwell ESC Publishing, London, May/June 1995.
- Translation into Arabic of the ICC New ICC Mediation Rules, 2014.
- Translation into Arabic of the IBA guidelines for Drafting International Arbitration Clauses, 2011.

Languages

	Spoken	Written	Read
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Arabic	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

Prof. Dr. Nayla Comair-Obeid Biography Update

1. Prof. Comair-Obeid's name is written as Nayla Comair-Obeid. This needs to be amended to Prof. Dr. Nayla Comair-Obeid.
2. Prof. Comair-Obeid is the "Founding Partner" of "Obeid & Partners". The firm has opened two more offices in Dubai and Paris. The details are as follows:

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3. Prof. Comair-Obeid's contact email address is nayla@obeidpartners.com. Also, the email address of the firm is info@obeidpartners.com.
4. Prof. Comair-Obeid has taught as Professor of International Commercial Arbitration at the Lebanese University, University of Pantheon-Assas Paris II, and as lecturer for the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, University of Oxford.
5. Prof. Comair-Obeid is Vice-Chair of the ICC as of 2022, Member of ICC Executive Board, Chair of the Jury of the ICC Institute Prize (2023 edition), and Member of the Council of the ICC Institute of World Business Law.
6. Prof. Comair-Obeid is a Member of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) Governing Board, and Member of China's International Commercial Expert Committee of the Supreme People's Court.
7. Prof. Comair-Obeid is Companion of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb) in which she has also served as President in 2017 and former Chair of the CIArb Board of Trustees.
8. In her "Professional Memberships", there is a misspelling "Trustee of the CRICICA" which needs to be amended to "Trustee of the CRCICA".
9. Prof. Comair-Obeid is Board Member of Women's Leadership Board (WLB) of the Women and Public Policy Program (WAPPP) at the Harvard Kennedy School.

10. Prof. Comair-Obeid is an Associate Member in 3VB Barristers' Chambers in London since 2019, and Member of the Panel of Arbitrators of the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA) since 2022.
11. Prof. Comair-Obeid is also a Member in the American Arbitration Association (AAA), and the French Arbitration Committee.
12. Prof. Comair-Obeid is a Member of the Beirut Bar and the Paris Bar.
13. Prof. Comair-Obeid has been actively involved in more than 170 international commercial and investment arbitrations as well as domestic arbitrations as a party appointed arbitrator, chairperson, sole arbitrator, counsel and expert in Arabic, French and English languages
14. Recent publications of Prof. Comair-Obeid from 2017 – Present:
 - a. Lebanon Chapter: GAR - Middle Eastern and African Arbitration Review April 2023.
 - b. Prof. Dr. Nayla Comair-Obeid, Ziad Obeid, Dr. Zeina Obeid, Lebanon Chapter: Law and Practice, Chambers Global Practice Guides: Litigation 2023.
 - c. "Towards a Diverse Future: Why is Diversity Imperative?", Leadership, Legitimacy, Legacy, A Tribute to Alexis Mourre, Kluwer, 2023.
 - d. "An Arbitrator's Guide to Hearing Preparation: Consolidating Conventional Wisdom and Innovation", Achieving the Arbitration Dream, Kluwer, 2023.
 - e. Lebanon Chapter: GAR - The Middle East and Africa Arbitration Review May 2021.
 - f. "Conventional Wisdom and Innovation in Arbitral Proceedings", International Law Office, April 2021.
 - g. "Conventional Wisdom and Preceptions in Arbitral Proceedings", International Law Office, March 2021.
 - h. "Conventional Wisdom in Arbitral Proceedings", International Law Office, January 2021
 - i. "Arbitration in Lebanon: Review", International Law Office, October 2020.
 - j. Prof. Dr. Nayla Comair-Obeid, Country Report Middle East, in "Due Processa as a limit to Discretion in International Commercial Arbitration", Franco Ferrari, Friedrich Rosenfield, Dietmar Czernich, Kluwer Law, 2020.
 - k. "Lebanon" Gar - Middle Eastern and African Arbitration Review 2019, Law Business Research, March 2020.
 - l. "Civil v Common Law Approaches to Evidence and Harmonization of Approaches in International Commercial and Investment Arbitration", International and Comparative Law Research Centre, 2019.
 - m. "Arbitrating in Times of Crisis: A Perspective from the MENA Region", LCIA Perspectives, February 2018.
 - n. Dispute Avoidance and Resolution in Times of Crisis", International Journal of Arbitration, Mediation and Dispute Managements (CIArb Academic Journal 2017).