

Annotation of the topic „Evidence and Taking of Evidence“ to **Dr. Ileana M. Smeureanu**

Evidence in international arbitration encompasses factual and technical information, presented by the parties via materials contemporary to the events in dispute, witness statements and expert reports. The taking of evidence is a rather complex process as international arbitration lies at the cross-roads between civil and common law legal traditions. National rules of evidence that govern court and (oftentimes) domestic arbitration proceedings, typically included in codes of civil procedure, are by and large not applicable to international arbitration. More often than not, participants to international proceedings resort to the standards reflected in the International Bar Association’s Rules on the Taking of Evidence, which provide for universally-accepted standards and a reliable framework. The presentation will explore the types of evidence in international arbitration, admissibility and reliability of various types of evidence, administration of evidence – all from the perspective of the IBA Rules and beyond.”