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OPENING LECTURE

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"From the FAA to the Restatement of Arbitration Law – Taking Stock of the American Arbitration Law"

**Prof. George Bermann
(Columbia University, New York)**

with comment on

"And what about the German Arbitration Law? – Comparison with the discussion on the Revision of the German Law"

**Prof. Dr. Gerhard Wagner
(Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)**

14 February 2018, 18:30

Helmut Schmidt Auditorium, Bucerius Law School

REGISTRATION: <http://buceri.us/CIDR-opening>

Bucerius Law School cordially invites you to celebrate the foundation of its new [Center for International Dispute Resolution \(CIDR\)](#). The CIDR will provide an institutional framework for legal education and a cutting-edge forum to explore, discuss and develop the challenges arising in connection with the resolution of international disputes.

The increasing competition between the various jurisdictions to become a preferred venue for international arbitration proceedings has resulted in initiatives in many jurisdictions to take stock of the existing law and to improve it where necessary. Of primary importance is naturally the United States where a working group under the chairmanship of Professor George Bermann has been working on a Restatement of the American Arbitration Law since 2007. In his keynote speech, Professor Bermann will address some of the main challenges and issues of contention as well as the changes suggested during the process which is nearly finished.

Afterwards, Professor Gerhard Wagner of Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin will comment in light of the American Experiences on the status of the project to revise the German Arbitration Law.

Schedule

18:30 | Opening Remarks

Friedrich-Joachim Mehmel

President of the Hamburg Constitutional Court

Chairman of the Rechtsstandort Hamburg e.V

Professor Stefan Kröll and Professor Karsten Thorn

Directors Center for International Dispute Resolution

18:45 | Keynote

Professor George Bermann

Columbia University, New York City

19:30 | Comment

Professor Gerhard Wagner

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

The debate may be continued during a **reception** in the foyer.

We are looking forward to welcoming you!

Professor Dr. Stefan Kröll, LL.M.

Professor Dr. Karsten Thorn, LL.M.

Directors Center for International Dispute Resolution