



An International Conference on

Alternative Disputes Resolution: Global and Domestic Perspectives

Call for Papers

Marking the 50th anniversary of Hebron University (HU), the College of Law and Political Science of HU will organize an international conference on “Alternative Disputes Resolution: Global and Domestic Perspectives”, in partnership with the Research Laboratory in Law at Hassan I University, the Hebron Chamber of Commerce and Industry and Taawon Institution for Conflict Resolution, on 24 and 25 March 2021. The conference aims to attract academic research in the field of alternative dispute resolution at the national, regional and international levels.

The conference will host keynote speakers who represent local and international institutions, especially experts in arbitration, and some representatives of chambers of commerce in several states, including Palestine, Morocco, United Arab Emirates, Egypt, Britain, Australia, France and the Netherlands. Practitioners in settlement of criminal disputes, such as prosecutors and criminal law judges, will take part in the conference, along with experts on negotiation and reconciliation.

The objective of the conference is to contribute to the advancement of scholarship in peaceful settlement of disputes locally, regionally, or internationally, especially with the accumulation of cases related to such disputes before courts. Due to the lack of efficiency in settling cases after many years in civil, commercial, and criminal matters, there is a dire need to look for other alternative means for resolving disputes. The conference sheds light on the role of technology in developing these means.

The two-day conference will focus on four topics, combining face-to-face presentations from local participants and online interventions from external experts.

Topic I. Arbitration in Commercial and Civil Disputes

Given the need for flexibility in resolving civil and commercial disputes, and since slow justice is one form of injustice, there is a need for an alternative means of resolution to settle such disputes. States increasingly adopt arbitration as an effective means for resolving disputes. Legislators devoted special rules, especially since arbitration is based on the consent of the disputants to make its outcome compulsory to follow. This consent gives arbitration decisions the power they need in terms of implementing them. Thus, this topic may include the following issues:

- Domestic and international commercial arbitration.
- Investment arbitration.
- Arbitration in contractual disputes.
- Arbitration in intellectual property disputes.
- E-arbitration as an alternative form for dispute settlement.
- Institutional arbitration.
- Sport arbitration.
- Procedures for authenticating and appealing arbitral awards.
- Enforcement of foreign arbitral awards.

Topic II. Alternative Dispute Settlements in International Law

Alternative dispute resolutions at domestic and global levels have witnessed a rising interest in the past few decades. Considering the growing awareness of the importance of peaceful solutions to conflicts between states, the study of these means has become more urgent than ever. Titles that come under this topic comprise:

- Mediation and negotiations as alternative forms of international dispute settlement.
- Peace-building and reconciliation, from theory to practice.
- Transitional justice.
- Conciliation and settlement of international disputes.
- Selected successful cases to resolve disputes through alternative means: Germany, Former Yugoslavia, Morocco, and South Africa.

Topic III. Criminal Reconciliation

Procedural criminal law has become more reliant on alternative resolutions to settle criminal conflicts to reduce the burden over courts. Conciliation is considered a reason for closing a criminal case, which assists in achieving the core purpose of criminal justice. Hence, the titles that fall under this topic are:

- Criminal conciliation as a mean of achieving social stability.
- The role of criminal conciliation in reducing the burden over the judiciary.
- Criminal conciliation between the public good and the public order.
- Criminal conciliation and modern criminal policy of procedure.

Topic IV. Penal Mediation for Juveniles

Criminal mediation is one of the most important forms of restorative juvenile justice in modern criminal law. Titles that come under this topic are:

- Criminal mediation and its impact on juvenile's social behavior.
- The role of the public prosecution in conducting criminal mediation.
- Modern criminal mediation.
- Role of lawyers in undertaking criminal mediation for minors.
- Effectiveness of governmental and non-governmental institutions in devoting criminal mediation to juveniles

Participation Requirements

- Papers are accepted in Arabic, English, and French.
- Papers must be original, innovative, and objective.
- Papers should not have been previously published, in whole or in part, or not under review for publication by any means of academic publication.
- Not to be a paper excerpted from a published book, or part of previously reviewed research.
- Papers should follow standards of scientific research based on methodological principles recognized in the field of academic research.
- The researcher adheres to the rules of citation to primary sources and the ethics of scientific research. Plagiarism would lead to automatic rejection of any work.
- Research must be written in a correct language that is free from spelling, grammatical and typographical errors.
- Research should be between 15 and 20 pages, including references and footnotes; font Arabic is 'Simplified Arabic', size 14 for text and 10 for notes, and 'Time New Roman' for English and French, size 12 for text and 10 for notes.
- Accepted papers will be nominated for publication in the Journal of Hebron University for Humanities or in the International Journal of Business and Law, and the researcher is required to modify research in accordance with the conditions required for publication in the Journal in case of approval for publication. See more on this at the following link: <https://www.hebron.edu/index.php/research-2/res1/hu-journal.html>
- Each participant will receive a certificate of participation.

Key Dates

- Abstracts attached with a CV of the researcher must be submitted before the 1 January 2021 to following e-mail address: adrconference2021@hebron.edu
- Abstract should not exceed 500 words, and must include the main questions, objectives, and methods of the paper.
- Researchers with accepted abstracts will be notified by 10 January 2021.
- Full papers must be submitted by 10 March 2021 at the above email.
- Announcement of the conference schedule: 15 March 2021.
- Conference days: 24-25 March 2021.

Conference Chairman

Dr. Ahmed Al-Swaiti, Dean, HU College of Law and Political Science.

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