

Abstract

UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules and their application in practice

The purpose of the thesis is to analyse the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules and the ways they are applied and interpreted by parties of dispute and arbitrators in international commercial arbitration.

The thesis is divided into two parts. In the first part the basic principles and legal framework of international commercial arbitration are described. Differences between institutional arbitration and *ad hoc* arbitration are discussed and special chapters are dedicated to permanent arbitration courts in the Czech Republic and important international arbitration institutions.

Second part begins by discussion of the UNCITRAL Commission history and describes historical development of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. Analysis of individual articles follows. With some articles there is established common international practice regarding their application or interpretation in international commercial arbitration. In such cases these practices and interpretations are discussed in more detail. Some articles of the revised 2010 version of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules are significantly different compared to the 1976 version of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. These differences are analysed comparatively. Legal-analytical, legal-descriptive and legal-comparative are the methods used in this thesis.