

The 2018 Weinstein JAMS International Fellows

JAMS is proud to welcome this year's class of Weinstein JAMS International Fellows. During their time in the U.S., Fellows may be based in a JAMS Resolution Center where they will learn more about dispute resolution processes and practices and pursue a project of their own design that serves to advance the resolution of disputes in their home countries.



Fidana Alieva (Kyrgyz Republic) – Ms. Alieva is the founder and General Director of the Center for Mediation and Negotiation in Bishkek, specializing in the resolution of commercial and labor disputes, negotiation, conflict consulting and training. She served as a member of the second working group on the country's draft mediation law, adopted in 2017. As part of her Fellowship, Ms. Alieva intends to strengthen her mediation and negotiation skills, especially regarding commercial and labor disputes. She further plans to work with experts in the international mediation community to expand her understanding of best practices applicable to the development of mediation in the Kyrgyz Republic.



Anvar Aslanov (Uzbekistan) – Mr. Aslanov is a lawyer with experience in transnational business and international law. He is currently pursuing a doctoral degree at McGeorge Pacific School of Law, specializing in trans-boundary water resources law with emphasis on mediation and the non-navigational uses of international waterways. During his Fellowship, he hopes to improve his mediation skills by observing real-world mediations and attending trainings and other workshops to strengthen his practical understanding of dispute resolution processes. Upon his return to Uzbekistan, Mr. Aslanov aims to develop dispute resolution systems regarding the regulation of water resources to improve stability and security throughout the Central Asia region.



Archil Chochia (Estonia/Georgia) – Mr. Chochia is a researcher and lecturer at Tallinn Law School where he also serves as coordinator of the doctoral school in economics and innovation. He is a founder of the Academy for Peace and Development, a leading non-profit organization, established to provide conflict resolution training, negotiation, and peace-building for young people in Georgia. As part of his Fellowship, Mr. Chochia intends to expand his knowledge of ADR through participation in mediation training courses and observation of mediations at JAMS. He plans to establish a research center at Tallinn Law School to promote ADR research and development in Estonia.

For more information about the Weinstein JAMS International Fellowship Program, please visit www.jamsfoundation.org.



Georges Feghali (Lebanon) –
Mr. Feghali is a senior lawyer and
mediator at his office in Beirut and
further serves as a World Bank and
UN Regional Mediator for the Middle
East and North Africa region. Mr.
Feghali frequently mediates civil
and commercial disputes relating

to family, workplace, insurance, construction and corporate law. He also teaches mediation at Saint Joseph University and the Beirut Bar Association. During his Fellowship, he seeks to increase his knowledge of the latest innovations in mediation styles and techniques while engaging in professional exchange with senior mediators and experts in the field. Upon his return, he hopes to raise mediation awareness in Lebanon and other Arab and Gulf countries.



Anjezë Gojani (Kosovo) – Ms. Gojani is a lawyer with a background in international and European business law. She is currently engaged as Legal Advisor to the Ministry of Justice and external advisor to the Ministry of Health regarding a national

health insurance fund. She previously served as the Secretary General of the Permanent Tribunal of Arbitration to develop institutional arbitration practices in Kosovo. While in the U.S., Ms. Gojani will study best practices from arbitral institutions, practitioners, and academics to further her theoretical and practical understanding of investment arbitration and investment treaties. She further hopes to enhance her knowledge of the methods used by arbitral institutions to raise public and private sector ADR awareness in support of a comprehensive rule of law strategy in Kosovo.



Anastase Nabahire (Rwanda) – Mr. Nabahire is a lawyer and coordinator of the Justice Sector Secretariat, responsible for managing relations with private and public stakeholders working in the fields of law, reconciliation, and law and order, to establish court-referred

and private mediation in Rwanda. As one of the first graduated class of Rwanda's newly established law school post-genocide, Mr. Nabahire oversaw a community service program to reduce prison sentences for perpetrators and founded the primary organization in the country that continues to coordinate services to genocide survivors. During his Fellowship, he intends to study restorative justice practices in the U.S., while enhancing his ADR knowledge to advance the professionalization of mediation in Rwanda.



Harbey Peña Sandoval (Columbia) –
Mr. Peña Sandoval is the ADR and
Access to Justice Advisor of the
National Planning Department
in Bogota. As ADR advisor, he is
responsible for the design and
development of a national ADR project
to strengthen and promote dispute

resolution services in rural post-conflict areas, part of the implementation of the final agreement to end armed conflict and build a stable and lasting peace between the government and rebel forces (FARC). While in the U.S., he intends to engage with lawyers, judges and ADR stakeholders to collect lessons learned from the field regarding the resolution of intractable disputes for application to the Columbian post-conflict ADR project.



Nudrat Ejaz Piracha (Pakistan) – Ms. Piracha is a lawyer, and Fulbright scholar pursuing a doctoral degree in investment arbitration from George Washington School of Law. She is a solicitor advocate in the U.K. and advocate of the High Court in Pakistan, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of

Arbitrators and member of Arbitral Women. She has served as an advocate in international commercial arbitrations and international construction and investment disputes before the ICG, ICSID, SCC and ad hoc tribunals. Upon return to Pakistan, she aims to promote non-violent conflict resolution through education, training, mediation and advocacy. During her Fellowship, she plans to undertake an advanced study of negotiation, mediation and ADR in the U.S. while strengthening her skills in cross-cultural and cross-border dispute resolution.



Mehnaz Siddiqui (Bangladesh) – Ms. Siddiqui is a senior assistant judge in the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs in Dhaka. She received a LL.M in human rights law from the University of Dhaka and pursued a course of study in international labor and employment,

social justice, and international human rights law at American University, Washington College of Law as a Fulbright-sponsored Hubert Humphrey Fellow. While in the U.S., Ms. Siddiqui intends to study the integration of ADR processes within the judicial system, especially regarding investment dispute settlements and commercial arbitration. Upon her return, she intends to promote the harmonization of commercial arbitration processes and the reduction of case backlog in the courts to attract international investment in Bangladesh.