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Trusts and arbitration: The good, the bad and the ugly

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Dr Anthony Cremona heads GANADO's Trusts and Foundations and Private Client team as well as its AML-CFT practice. Over a 20+ year career, he has been exposed to a wide variety of situations – from setting up entire family offices for multiple strands of wealthy families, complete with the required trusts, foundations and companies, to assisting private clients with relocating to Malta or obtaining the desired freedom of movement, whether in terms of Malta's citizenship by investment programme or its Visa programme. Besides

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Anthony was former Chairman of STEP Malta branch until 2020 and is currently a member of STEP Malta's executive committee and its technical sub-committee and its representative on STEP Europe.

Panellists:

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Dr. Fenech is joint managing partner at Fenech Farrugia Fiott legal and has also served as chairman between 2012 and 2018 of the ARQ Group of Companies, a multi-disciplinary professional services organization based in Malta. The Group includes licensed trust & corporate services providers. Dr. Fenech's principal areas of legal practice include the law of Trusts and other fiduciary relationships, corporate law, the law of asset finance and corporate finance.

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Dr. Alon Kaplan, Alon Kaplan, Advocate & Notary, Israel



Dr. Alon Kaplan, Adv. Dr. Alon Kaplan, LLM (Jerusalem), PhD (Zurich), TEP is the founder and managing partner of Alon Kaplan Advocate and Notary and is President of STEP Israel. He was admitted to the Israel Bar in 1970, was appointed a notary in 1989, and practises law in Tel Aviv.

He is author of *Trusts in Israel: Development and Current Practice* (Helbing Lichtenhahn Verlag, 2015) and *Trusts and Estate Practice in Israel* (Juris Publishing, 2016), and the general editor of *Trusts in prime jurisdictions 5th edition* (Globe Law and Business, 2020). Also, the general editor of *Life Cycle of Family Businesses* (Globe Law and Business, 2020).

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Maurizio Lupoi (born 1942) served as Professor of Comparative Law at the University of Genoa until 2012. He holds degrees from the Universities of Rome and Oxford.

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He visited several universities as research fellow or visiting lecturer and he was speaker in numerous international conferences. He is specialised in trust law, commercial law and company law. He published several books and articles in trust law, company law, legal history and civil law.

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