

LISW23 – Contractual risk management: Avoiding disputes and planning for decarbonisation

We are all talking about decarbonisation and new regulations, but who actually bears the risk and how can it be mitigated in practice?

As part of [London International Shipping Week 2023](#), legal experts from [4 Pump Court](#) and [Wikborg Rein](#) will give short talks with practical pointers on contract management and managing potential disputes in a 1-hour brunch session. We will focus on the issues that arise when implementing regulatory and technological developments, with examples from the EU/UK ETS, the CII and the use of alternative fuels. After the talks, we will invite you to join the discussion, ask questions and share your views.

[Please register via this link](#)

If you have questions that you would like the speakers to address during this session, you are welcome to submit these during registration, or ask on the day.

Pastries, sandwiches and refreshments will be provided.

Date

Thursday 14th September

10:30 BST arrival and registration

11:00 – 12:00 BST Panel session

Venue

Wikborg Rein, 30 Cannon St, London EC4M 6XH

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Panel

[Alexander Wright KC](#), Barrister – 4 Pump Court

Alexander has a broad commercial dispute resolution practice across the breadth of Chambers' practice. He is regularly instructed in the High Court (particularly the Commercial Court) and domestic and international commercial arbitrations. He has appeared successfully on several occasions in the Court of Appeal.

Alexander is listed as a leading practitioner in Shipping / Shipping and Commodities, International Trade, Commercial Dispute Resolution / Commercial Litigation, Energy, and International Arbitration, in one or more of Chambers and Partners UK Bar, Chambers Global, The Legal 500 UK, The Legal 500 Asia Pacific and Who's Who Legal UK Bar.

As a junior, in 2020 Alexander won "Shipping Junior of the Year" at the Legal 500 Awards, having been nominated for the same award in 2019. He has previously been listed as one of Legal Week's 10 "Stars at the Bar" and has twice been nominated as "Shipping Junior of the Year" at the Chambers UK Bar Awards. He has acted in many of the most important and substantial shipping disputes in recent years, including for the successful charterers in both The "Tai Prize" and The

“Eternal Bliss” in the Court of Appeal.

Eleanor Midwinter, Partner – Wikborg Rein

Eleanor is a Partner in the Shipping Offshore team at Wikborg Rein London. Eleanor joined Wikborg Rein in 2017, having previously worked at HFW since 2008. Eleanor advises on contracts and disputes concerning trade and transport, with a particular focus on energy commodities and shipbuilding. This includes advice on UK regulatory matters for clients within these sectors. Eleanor is ranked for shipping and commodities work by Chambers and Legal 500, which notes that she “is a star – super-responsive and a client favourite”.

[Anna Hoffmann](#), 4 Pump Court

Anna has experience in a range of commercial matters with a particular focus on shipping. Most of her cases have an international element and she regularly deals with complex jurisdictional issues. She also has experience in public/regulatory cases and acted together with Lord Garnier KC in the prorogation case: *R (on the application of Miller) v The Prime Minister*. She is regularly instructed in charterparty, bill of lading and cargo disputes and recently spent time on secondment with Nordisk Defence Club in Oslo. She has a particular focus on decarbonisation and climate/energy litigation.

Before coming to the Bar, Anna worked for a leading international commercial law firm in Switzerland, where she focused on international arbitration. She is a fluent (native) German speaker.