



## **The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb): Benefits of joining the institute and being a part of the West Midlands branch as student/young member.**

### **Free Student membership**

CI Arb student membership shows a strong commitment to the values and standards of dispute avoidance and resolution. By becoming a student member, you become part of an international community and can benefit from a range of services and support, including:

- Access CI Arb e-learning courses
- Competitions and opportunities to have your work published online
- Networking, learning from and receiving advice from experienced practitioners at our many lectures and events
- The opportunity to meet other young people through CI Arb's Young Members Group
- Keeping up-to-date with the latest industry news through CI Arb's industry-magazine, Resolver
- Access CI Arb's avoidance and resolution practice guidance and law updates

### **Who is student membership for**

Student membership is completely free and open to anyone currently studying at a university or other higher education institute.

### **More about the CI Arb**

CI Arb is an international centre of excellence for the practice and profession of alternative dispute resolution (ADR). CI Arb provides education and training for budding arbitrators, mediators and Construction adjudicators. These courses attract students from backgrounds such as Law, Surveying, Architecture, Construction and Engineering.

It also acts as a global hub for practitioners, policy makers, academics and those in business, supporting the global promotion, facilitation and development of all ADR methods. CI Arb offers a range of resources including guidance, support, advice, networking and promotional opportunities, as well as facilities for hearings, meetings and other events.

### **The Young Members Group of the CI Arb**

CI Arb's Young Members Group (YMG) brings together dispute resolution practitioners below the age of 40, and students interested in building their careers in this fast-growing and dynamic field.

Members of the YMG are offered a variety of exclusive events, such as seminars, an annual conference, training days and workshops delivered by distinguished practitioners, as well as competitions and opportunities to have their work promoted online.

The young members community is overseen by a Global Steering Committee who volunteer their time to plan, organise, and promote activities targeted at young practitioners across the globe. The group actively collaborates with other international and regional groups.

### **The West Midlands Branch of the CI Arb**

The West Midlands branch is made up of the committee members and all type of members living in the West Midlands area. The branch organises regular events for its members in all facets of dispute resolution. In the recent past it has run workshops and talks on diverse topics involving arbitration, mediation, adjudication and being an expert witness. Not only do these events help to raise the profile of dispute resolution and its practitioners in the area but offer a chance for students and young members networking opportunities with established dispute resolution practitioners. The branch also runs events jointly with other organisations thus enabling more exposure to other disciplines the benefit of alternative dispute resolution.

By joining the CI Arb and being based in the West Midlands you will benefit of the worldwide range of opportunities of dispute resolution that a global institute can offer as well as more specific and personal interaction that the West Midlands branch offers.