Highlights of commission work in 2016

Publication and Launch of the Report on International Arbitration and Financial Institutions
The report, officially unveiled at a launch event in Rome on 8 November 2016, reflects financial institutions' perceptions and experience of international arbitration, and includes a set of recommendations for tailoring the arbitration procedure to suit the needs of the banking and finance sector.

Amended Rules for Small Claims and other proposed changes to the ICC Arbitration Rules
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Revision of the Rules of ICC as Appointing Authority in UNCITRAL or other Ad Hoc Arbitration Proceedings
A Task Force in cooperation with the Secretariat to the Court has produced new drafts of the Rules, while extending the scope of Services provided by ICC as Appointing Authority and is now nearing completion.

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Task Force on Emergency Arbitrator Proceedings
Created in 2015 to study the experience to date under the ICC emergency arbitration provisions, as well as the experience of other institutions offering these kinds of proceedings. The Task Force's findings will be of use to any party, counsel or arbitrator involved, or considering being involved, in emergency arbitrator proceedings. The Task Force met 3 times in 2016.

Looking ahead 2017

- Spring Plenary Session - 25 April, 2017, Paris, France
- Fall Plenary Session - 7 October, 2017 Sydney, Australia

The Commission has participated in visits from representatives of National Committees from Austria, Germany, Ireland, Portugal, Qatar, Switzerland, Ukraine, among others.