

Sierra Leone accedes to Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards

The 166th country to become party to the Convention

With its accession to the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards (also commonly known as the "New York" Convention), effected on 28 October 2020, Sierra Leone becomes the 166th State Party to the Convention. The Convention will enter into force for Sierra Leone on 26 November 2021.

The "New York" Convention is widely recognized as a foundation instrument of international arbitration and requires courts of contracting States to give effect to an agreement to arbitrate when seized of an action in a matter covered by an arbitration agreement and to recognize and enforce awards made in other States, subject to specific limited exceptions.

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塞拉利昂加入《承认及执行外国仲裁裁决公约》

成为第 166 个加入该公约的国家

随着其加入《承认及执行外国仲裁裁决公约》（亦称《纽约公约》）的决定于 2020 年 10 月 28 日生效，塞拉利昂成为第 166 个加入该公约的国家。该公约将于 2021 年 11 月 26 日起对其生效。

《纽约公约》被广泛视为国际仲裁领域的基础性文件。该公约要求缔约国法院在除特定情形外，在处理仲裁协议所涵盖事项的案件时应落实该仲裁协议并承认与执行在其他国家作出的仲裁裁决。

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