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Caribbean based, International
Arbitration



Map of the arbitration world...

- 5 main Centres get many cases
- Many others trying...
- Weak offering in the Americas



In the Caribbean...

- Some countries are pushing, but...
- Inconsistent legislations...and
- Inconsistent support



Closer look: BVI within 10 years



Modern Arbitration Act

Counsel selection freedom / Civil Immunity

New York Convention

Strong Government support / work permit exemption

Sophisticated judiciary / Financial Services Reputation

High quality legal community / In jurisdiction expertize



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Caribbean: what's needed?

- **Base 1:** enact modern recognizable arbitration legislations (UNCITRAL-based if possible)
- **Base 2:** support a Caribbean ADR Institute
- **Base 3:** sponsor a few Arbitral Institutions and facilities



Ultimate Goal?

- Caribbean to be known as a safe and consistent ADR region
- Move away from ad-hoc arbitrations
- Bring in work as a neutral ADR region at the crossroads of the Americas
- Export our practitioners outside of the region



Discussion?



Thank you!

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