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International Arbitration as a Possible Means for Resolving IP Disputes

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- **Arbitration agreement necessary**
 - An arbitration agreement is often the legal basis to resolve disputes in **a running contractual relationship** between two or more parties, e.g. to resolve a dispute in a running license agreement.
 - In disputes about the infringement of a patent (including SEPs) it takes **a common agreement of both parties** before the dispute can be resolved in arbitration proceedings.
 - Before entering into an arbitration agreement the patent (SEP) owner and the implementer have to consider whether this is the best option to resolve the pending dispute.

- **Upsides of arbitration**
 - Keep the dispute confidential.
 - Have a speedy proceeding.
 - Both parties may influence on who is going to be the arbitrators.

- **Downsides of arbitration**
 - No power to issue an injunction in case of a hold out.
 - No jurisdiction on patent validity *erga omnes*.
 - No transparent case record.

- **Arbitration as a complementary tool with regard to litigation?**
 - CJEU in Huawei ./ ZTE (16 July 2015), para 68:

“... where no agreement is reached on the details of the FRAND terms following the counter-offer by the alleged infringer, the parties may, by common agreement, request that the amount of the royalty be determined by an independent third party, by decision without delay.”

- Bringing the initial SEP case to a court and transferring the determination of the amount of royalties to arbitration.
 - If the SEP owner does not submit a FRAND offer the court may dismiss the action.
 - The SEP owner may obtain an injunction from the court if the implementer is unwilling to take a license.
 - The implementer may challenge the validity and the essentiality of the SEP.
 - Both parties may request that the amount of the royalty is determined in confidential arbitration proceedings.