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Karl Mackie is the Chief Executive of CEDR and recognized as one of the leading mediators in Europe and experts on mediation, conflict and negotiation. He has undertaken some of CEDR Solve's most difficult cases including cases pioneering the use of mediation in new sectors. These have included mediations and mini-trials of disputes up to £1bn in value. Sectors include, international commercial and construction disputes and claims in financial services, information technology, engineering and energy, partnerships and family businesses, education, national and

local government, employment, insurance, telecommunications, and media, company law and corporate acquisitions, and industry association conflicts. Parties to these disputes have included multi-national and FTSE 100 companies, national governments and others.

In addition to involvement with CEDR's services, he has been a mediator/arbitrator for ACAS, (the Advisory Conciliation and Arbitration Service - the UK statutory employment relations agency) since 1980. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, a barrister and psychologist by training and a former partner in a business strategy consultancy drawn from several UK business schools. He is Chief Adjudicator of the Ofsted Independent Complaints Adjudication Service and an Ombudsman in Euronext Liffe financial services disputes. He is on the Advisory Council for the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Conflict, and a former Vice Chairman of the Civil Mediation Council and has been Special Professor in ADR at the Universities of Westminster and Birmingham. He has worked with a range of international organisations including the International Finance Corporation and World Bank, on developing country and organisational ADR systems.

Karl was made a Commander of the British Empire (CBE) in the Queen's Birthday Honours in 2010, for services to mediation.