



Speaker Biographies



Juan Pablo Argentato

Managing Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris

Juan Pablo Argentato is Managing Counsel at the ICC International Court of Arbitration, based in Paris. He has extensive experience in managing complex arbitration cases. Juan Pablo graduated from the Universidad Católica Argentina Law School and holds a Master's degree from the University of Paris V – Descartes (now University Paris Cité). He is admitted to practice law in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Before his current role, Juan Pablo served as Deputy Counsel at the ICC Court, and subsequently as Counsel for the Iberian and Latin-American team. His previous experience includes working in private practice in Buenos Aires and Paris, where he gained significant expertise in commercial transactions and dispute resolution. As Managing Counsel, Juan Pablo oversees the administration of arbitration cases by 13 case management teams based in Paris, New York, São Paulo, Hong Kong, Singapore, and Abu-Dhabi, ensuring that proceedings are conducted efficiently and in accordance with ICC Arbitration Rules. His role involves coordinating with arbitrators, parties, and their counsel, as well as providing guidance on procedural and substantive issues both internally and at ICC Court sessions. Since joining the ICC Court, Juan Pablo has participated in the scrutiny of thousands of ICC awards. Juan Pablo is frequently invited to speak at international conferences and seminars on arbitration and dispute resolution, and lectures at the University Paris Cité. Juan Pablo is fluent in Spanish, English and French, and has working knowledge of Portuguese.



David Arias

Partner, Arias SLP, Spain

David is a partner at Arias SLP. He has more than 30 years of experience in dispute resolution. He has acted as counsel and as arbitrator in more than 180 cases in venues across Europe, America, Asia and Africa. He regularly participates in proceedings administered by the main arbitral institutions such as the ICC. He also has extensive experience as counsel in complex commercial litigation. David is regularly recognised as lawyer and as most-in-demand

arbitrator in leading publications, including Chambers and Partners, Legal 500 and Latin Lawyer 250. David was Chair of the IBA Arbitration Committee between 2016 and 2017. Previously, he chaired its Subcommittee on Conflicts of Interest, which published the 2014 IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest in International Arbitration. Additionally, he helped draft the 2010 IBA Rules on the Taking of Evidence in International Arbitration. From 2013 to 2017, he was President of the Spanish and Iberoamerican Arbitration Club, of which he is Honorary President. David is a Professor of Procedural Law and Arbitration. He obtained his BA in Law, with Honours, and his PhD, also with Honours, from Universidad Complutense de Madrid. He was admitted to the Madrid Bar in 1991.



Flávia Bittar

Founding Partner, Flavia Bittar Advocacia, Brazil

Flávia Bittar is an independent arbitrator with extensive experience in international and domestic arbitration. She has served as sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator, and chair in complex commercial disputes across a range of sectors. Flávia is consistently recognized by leading international directories such as Who's Who Legal, Leaders League, and Chambers & Partners for her expertise and contributions to the field of arbitration. She is also former President and a member of the Board

of Directors of the Brazilian Arbitration Committee (CBar) and of the Advisory Board of CAMARB – Business Arbitration and Mediation Chamber Brazil. She is actively engaged in academic and institutional initiatives that promote best practices and diversity in dispute resolution.



Federico Campolieti

**Partner, Bomchil, Argentina; Member, ICC
International Court of Arbitration**

Federico Campolieti is a partner in the International Arbitration department at Bomchil (Buenos Aires). He is a member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce. He specializes in dispute resolution, particularly in conflicts involving states or state-owned companies. He has advised and represented clients in international commercial arbitrations, especially in cases related to infrastructure, construction, and energy projects. He has also participated as counsel in various investment arbitrations before ICSID. He regularly serves as an

arbitrator in proceedings conducted under different rules and is listed as an arbitrator by several institutions. Federico serves as adjunct professor at the Law School of the University of Buenos Aires. He is a member of the Arbitration and ADR Commission of ICC Argentina, the ICC Institute of World Business Law, and the Latin American Arbitration Association (ALArb).



Massimo Coccia

Senior Partner, Coccia De Angelis & Associati, Italy

Massimo Coccia was born in 1957 in Rome, Italy. In 1981, he obtained a J.D. degree cum laude from the law school of the University of Rome Sapienza. In 1983 he was granted a Fulbright Fellowship and, in 1984, he earned a Master of Laws degree from the University of Michigan Law School. In 1994, he became a tenured law professor of international law and EU law and since then has been teaching at the law school of the University of Rome Sapienza, and from

2002 to 2021 at the Economics Department of Tuscia University of Viterbo.

He has been an attorney-at-law since 1988 and in 1994 he was admitted to plead before Italian High Courts. In 2000 he was among the founders of his current law firm Coccia De Angelis & Associati (with offices Rome and Milan). He has been practicing domestic and international arbitration since the early 1990s and has been counsel or (mostly) arbitrator in about 300 international arbitrations and 100 domestic arbitrations, both in the commercial and sports sectors. He was recognized by Lexology (formerly WWL) as Global Leader in Arbitration and Thought Leader in Sports, and by Arbitrator Intelligence as “Distinguished Arbitrator”.

He is vice-president of the Italian Arbitration Association (AIA), founder and honorary president of the Italian Chapter of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (CEIA), and member of the ICC Commission on ADR and Arbitration and the ICC Task Force on Corruption and International Arbitration. He was Deputy Commissioner of the Italian Football Association (FIGC) in 2006-2007. He is author of many publications in sports law, international arbitration, international law and EU law and is frequently invited as a speaker/lecturer at symposia and seminars worldwide. He speaks fluently Italian, English, Spanish and French.



Paul Di Pietro

Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration, United States

Paul is Counsel at the North America case management team of the International Court of Arbitration at International Chamber of Commerce.

Originally qualified in Venezuela, Paul joined the ICC International Court of Arbitration in 2015 as Deputy Counsel for Latin America, Spain, and Portugal, and was stationed at the ICC headquarters in Paris.

In July of 2020, Paul assumed the role of ICC Counsel for North America, where he currently leads the case management team based in New York City. In this capacity, he oversees a diverse portfolio of over 200 pending arbitration proceedings spanning various sectors, including energy, construction, telecommunications, and life sciences.

Prior to his tenure at the ICC, Paul clerked with prominent multinational firms working in international arbitration hubs including Paris, Geneva, and London. Paul studied law in Venezuela, Spain, and France and holds a Master's degree in Economic Law from the Paris Institute of Political Studies



Marie-Isabelle Delleur

Counsel, Clifford Chance, Brazil

Marie-Isabelle Delleur is a Counsel in the International Arbitration Group at Clifford Chance, currently based in the São Paulo office. She works as counsel and arbitrator in commercial and investment arbitration disputes in a variety of fields including energy, mining, construction, infrastructure, public concessions, transportation, distribution, telecommunications and international investments under the ICC, ICSID, LCIA and UNCITRAL Rules, with a special focus on disputes in Latin America, Europe and Africa.

She has particular experience advising clients in disputes arising in the context of internal compliance

investigations and cooperation with criminal authorities in several jurisdictions and advises clients on matters of ESG compliance. Marie-Isabelle also assists clients with the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards in France. Prior to joining the firm, Marie-Isabelle practiced for five years in another Magic Circle firm in Paris.



Patrícia Ferraz

Director, ICC Arbitration and ADR, Latin America, Dispute Resolution Services, Brazil

Patrícia, after having been partner of Mendes Advogados Associados for 12 years, acting mainly in commercial law, arbitration, domestic and international commercial contracts and corporate law, joined the São Paulo's office of the ICC International Court of Arbitration in 2017, as Deputy Counsel. In July 2019 took over as Counsel and in June 2022 as Director of Arbitration and ADR for Latin America. Patrícia has a Post-

degree in Business Administration at FGV (Getúlio Vargas Foundation), Master of Laws – Law School of Universidade de São Paulo – USP (São Francisco University) with focus in Civil Law and Master of Laws (Summer LLM) with focus on “Business Law” – Law School of University of California – Berkeley.



Alexander G. Fessas

Secretary General, ICC International Court of Arbitration, France; Director, ICC Dispute Resolution Services

Alexander G. Fessas, a Cypriot national born in Athens, currently serves as Managing Counsel and is the third most senior member of the ICC Court's Secretariat. He started his career with ICC working as Deputy Counsel in the Eastern European team in 2011. He was later promoted to Counsel, first in charge of the North American team and later in charge of the Eastern

Mediterranean and Middle East team. Before joining ICC, Alexander was an associate at Stelios Koussoulis & Partners, an Athens-based law firm until 2007, and a sole practitioner thereafter.

He acted both as counsel and administrative secretary in international and domestic commercial arbitration cases in construction, energy and telecommunications disputes. He had also undertaken other roles including as editor-in-chief of the *Revue hellénique de droit international*. Alexander is admitted to the Athens Bar. He obtained his undergraduate and postgraduate degrees from the Faculty of Law of the University of Athens, having specialized in conflict of laws, arbitration and comparative law. Aside his native Greek, Alexander speaks English and French.



Sandra Friedrich

**Assistant Dean, International Law Programs,
University of Miami, United States; Director,
International Arbitration Institute**

Sandra Friedrich is the Assistant Dean, International Law Programs and Director of the White & Case International Arbitration LL.M. Graduate Program and Miami Law's International Arbitration Institute and a Lecturer in Law. Previously, she practiced law at Latham & Watkins in New York, focusing on complex commercial and investment arbitration proceedings as well as related litigation. In the past, Friedrich has taught courses on Drafting Complex Arbitration Clauses, Transnational Litigation and International Arbitration with a European Nexus,

International Business Transactions, European Union Law and German Law at the University of Miami School of Law.

Friedrich has co-authored several publications on international commercial and investment arbitration, including an article on Disclosure in International Arbitration Proceedings in the United States published in the American Review of International Arbitration, a book chapter on Witnesses, Subpoenas, Documents and the Relationship between the FAA and State Law published in Kluwer International Law's International Commercial Arbitration in the United States, and an article on Investment Arbitration in East Asia and the Pacific published in the Journal of World Investment and Trade. Friedrich is currently working on her doctorate thesis at the University of Cologne on the definition of investment under the ICSID Convention.

Friedrich is admitted to the New York State Bar, the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York. In 2005, she graduated from the Université Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne) with a J.D. equivalent (maîtrise en droit) and obtained her LL.M. degree with a specialization in international economic law from the University of Cologne and the Université Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne). In 2008, she obtained her J.D. from the University of Miami School of Law.



Valeria Galíndez

**Independent Arbitrator, GALÍNDEZ
Arb, Brazil; Member, ICC
International Court of Arbitration**

Valeria Galíndez is a dual national of Argentina and Brazil and a leading international arbitration specialist with over two decades of experience.

Since 2001, she has acted in more than 130 arbitration proceedings as both party representative and arbitrator, including in high-stakes investor-state disputes. Her practice is particularly focused on construction, energy, mining, foreign investment, and corporate acquisitions. She currently serves as Vice-President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration and has held leadership roles including Co-Chair of the International Bar Association's Arbitration Committee and the ICC Academy for Arbitrators (Latin America). Valeria has been recognized as a top-tier arbitration practitioner since 2009 by Chambers and Partners Global, Latin America, and Brazil (Band 1), as well as by Lexology, which lists her as a Global Elite Thought Leader. She is fluent in Portuguese, Spanish, English, and French.



José Manuel García Represa

**Founding Partner, Wordstone Dispute
Resolution, France; Member, ICC Institute
of World Business Law**

José Manuel García Represa (Josema) is a founding partner of Wordstone Dispute Resolution, in Paris.

He is a member of the Paris, Madrid and New York bars and has specialized for over 20 years in international commercial and investment arbitration, both as counsel and arbitrator. His practice focuses on high-stakes and complex disputes in sectors such as engineering and construction, hydrocarbons, electricity generation and distribution (renewable and conventional), and mining. He has developed a deep expertise in the quantum and environmental aspects of projects in these sectors. He is active in projects in Latin America, Europe, Africa and the Middle East.

José Manuel teaches Damages at Sciences Po Law School, and Disputes in the Energy and Mining sector at Panthéon Assas University, both in Paris. He also teaches the module on Witness & Expert Cross-Examination at the Swiss Arbitration Academy in Zurich.

In 2023, Global Arbitration Review ranked him as one of the world's 45 best international arbitration specialists under the age of 45.



Teresa Garcia-Reyes

**Vice-President, Litigation, Baker
Hughes, United States**

Teresa Garcia-Reyes is Vice-President, Litigation for Baker Hughes, a GE Company, the world's first full stream digital industrial oil and gas company. She represents her division in disputes world-wide, with a focus on leading negotiations, mediations, arbitrations, and litigations in North and South America. Her experience includes acting as counsel in commercial disputes under the rules of various

international and regional institutions, and she is an active proponent of the use of mediation as a form of alternative dispute resolution. She is a former ICC YAF Regional Coordinator for North America (2014-2017), and a 2017 Leadership Council on Legal Diversity Fellow.



Emilio Garcia Silvero

Legal & Compliance Director, FIFA, United States

Emilio Garcia Silvero is an internationally recognized sports law expert and the Chief Legal & Compliance Officer at FIFA, where he leads all legal matters and oversees a global team of more than 100 professionals. Based in Miami, he brings over two decades of experience in sports governance, legal compliance, and integrity enforcement. Emilio began his career as Legal Director of the Spanish Football Federation (2004–2012), where he managed all legal affairs and represented the organization in high-profile cases.

During this time, he served as a member of UEFA's Control, Ethics, and Disciplinary Body and was appointed as a CAS Arbitrator on the football list in 2012. He later joined UEFA as Head of Disciplinary and Integrity and was promoted to Managing Director of Integrity in 2017, overseeing disciplinary, anti-doping, and anti-match manipulation efforts while also representing UEFA before the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

In 2022, Emilio was appointed to the International Olympic Committee's Athletes' Entourage Commission and the International Council for Sports Arbitration (ICAS). A licensed attorney in Spain, he teaches Soccer Law at the University of Miami School of Law and is the author of numerous books and academic publications. Emilio holds a Ph.D. from King Juan Carlos University, LL.M. degrees from Sciences Po and Lleida University, and a Law Degree from Extremadura University.



Eduardo Damião Gonçalves

Partner, Mattos Filho, Brazil

Eduardo Damião Gonçalves is a partner at Mattos Filho, based in São Paulo, and a leading practitioner in domestic and international arbitration. He represents clients in complex disputes involving mergers and acquisitions, corporate and infrastructure matters,

construction agreements, and public concessions. His litigation expertise spans environmental law, technology, and arbitration-related disputes.

Eduardo served as Vice President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration from 2018 to 2024 and is currently a member of the ICCA governing board. He is the founder and former president of the Brazilian Arbitration Committee and co-founded both the Latin American Arbitration Association (ALARB) and the IBA Arbitration Committee, where he also served as vice president. Eduardo holds a Ph.D. and a Bachelor of Laws from Universidade de São Paulo, as well as a Master of Laws in Private International Law and International Commerce from Université de Paris II, with a focus on arbitration. Recognized as a top-tier arbitration lawyer, he has consistently been ranked by Chambers Global, The Legal 500, Lexology, GAR, and Benchmark Litigation. He is fluent in Portuguese, English, French, Spanish, and Italian.



Sandra González

**Head of Arbitration and Litigation,
Ferrere, Uruguay; Vice-President, ICC
International Court of Arbitration**

Sandra González chairs FERRERE's Dispute Resolution practice in its offices in Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay. She represents clients and acts as an arbitrator in cases related to a wide range of industries, both commercial and investment. Ms. González is Vice-president of the ICC Court of Arbitration, a member of the

Observatory on the Status of Arbitration of the Asociación Latinoamericana de Arbitraje (ALARB), vicechair of the Capítulo Rioplatense of the Spanish Arbitration Club (CEA) and founding member and member of the Executive Committee of WWA – Women Way in Arbitration LATAM. She is co-chair of DELOS Dispute Resolution's oral advocacy program for Latin America (ROAP). She earned her law degree from the Facultad de Derecho de la Universidad de la República (Uruguay) and her LL.M. from Harvard Law School (USA).



René Irra de la Cruz

Partner, Cuatrecasas, Mexico

René Irra de la Cruz is a partner at Cuatrecasas in Mexico City and a leading expert in international arbitration, litigation, and alternative dispute resolution. Fluent in Spanish, English, and French, he advises both national and international clients across sectors including M&A, foreign investment, international trade, energy, construction, infrastructure, real estate, transport, health, and entertainment.

René acts as counsel, arbitrator, and expert in proceedings under institutional and ad hoc rules, and is frequently called to opine on Mexican law in cross-border disputes. He currently serves as deputy chair of the Mexican Society of Construction Law and has previously held leadership roles with the ICC's Young Arbitrators Forum (YAF) in Latin America. René is a respected lecturer, teaching investment arbitration at Université Panthéon-Assas Paris II, Universidad de Monterrey, and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, and contributing to programs organized by the International Chamber of Commerce in Mexico.

He holds a Master of Laws (with honors) from Universidad de Estudios de Posgrado en Derecho, a Master in Arbitration and International Trade from Université de Versailles, and a law degree from Universidad La Salle, among other specialized diplomas in business and commercial arbitration.



Amanda Jiménez Pintón

Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration, France

Amanda Jiménez Pintón is a leading professional in the field of arbitration and alternative dispute resolution. She currently serves as Counsellor for the Latin American case management team at the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). She joined the ICC in May 2017 as an Assistant Counsellor within the Latin American and Iberian team and was promoted to Counsellor in 2021.

She was recently appointed Co-Chair of the ICC's Youth Arbitration and ADR Forum (YAAF), along with Stella Leptourgou, Counsellor of the Middle East case management team. In his new role, he will oversee the YAAF Global Coordinating Committee, develop and strengthen the YAAF community, contribute to training and create strong connections with future leaders in arbitration, and promote the work of the ICC Arbitration Tribunal and the International Center for ADR.

In addition to her work at the ICC, Amanda Jiménez Pintón is recognized as one of the teachers at IASC, where she shares her experience and knowledge with young academics and arbitration professionals. Her commitment to mentoring and developing future leaders in her field is evident in her enthusiasm for bringing together young professionals from around the world and working hand in hand with YAAF representatives to create mentoring opportunities.

She speaks Spanish, English and French.



Sofía Klot

Partner, Klot Arbitration, Uruguay

Sofía is an international lawyer with 13+ years of experience. Her practice focuses on helping clients resolve their intractable international disputes in Latin America and other emerging markets. She has acted as counsel in dozens of high-stakes commercial and investment treaty arbitrations under the all the main arbitration rules, in English and Spanish, and across a variety of sectors and industries, from technology and telecoms to

infrastructure and agribusiness. She also sits as arbitrator and advise technology companies on international project development, dispute resolution strategies, and the protection of their global investments. She has served as corporate and commercial counsel to Fortune 500 companies, advising them on ordinary course of business and closing record-figure deals.

Sofía is a lawyer with technical chops. She conducts independent research on topics at the intersection of AI and the law and frequently publish and speaks about arbitration and technology.



Yasmine Lahlou

Partner, Chaffetz Lindsey LLP, United States ; Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration

Yasmine Lahlou has over 20 years of experience in international arbitration and litigation and has been with Chaffetz Lindsey since 2009. Initially trained in Paris and admitted in New York, Yasmine is experienced in civil and common law systems.

Yasmine practiced in Paris for over four years at Castaldi Mourre & Partners, before joining Clifford Chance in New York in 2005. Yasmine has been named one of 23 “Global Elite Thought Leaders” in North America— a title reserved for the top 2.5% of ranked

practitioners considered the “very best by peers and clients, achieving the highest number of recommendations in the research”— by *Who’s Who Legal 2024 Arbitration* report. Yasmine has represented clients in arbitration proceedings conducted under the ICC, ICDR, LCIA, UNCITRAL and ad hoc rules. She has acted as a presiding, sole and co-arbitrator in ICC, SCC, CRCICA (in Cairo) and LCIA arbitrations.

Additionally, she has been named number one on the *Who’s Who Legal 2019: Future Leaders – Arbitration* list for the Americas, and has been recognized in Chambers, Legal 500 and Super Lawyers. Yasmine is co-chair of the ICC’s Working Group on Expedited Procedure Provisions and co-editor-in-chief of the ICC’s Dispute Resolution Bulletin Editorial Board. Member of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR, member of the Advisory Council of Africa Arbitration, and retiring member of the board of directors of ArbitralWomen, she is also a Peer Review Board member of the American Review of International Arbitration (ARIA) at Columbia Law School. She is fluent in English, French and Italian.



Raphael Lang Silva

Counsel, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Brazil

Raphael Lang Silva is Counsel of the ICC Secretariat in São Paulo, where he administers commercial arbitration cases involving parties mainly from Brazil.

Prior to joining the ICC, Raphael has worked as trainee lawyer in Latham & Watkins in Paris and in Hogan Lovells in Madrid, where he acted in several commercial and investment disputes.

Raphael holds a Master in International Dispute Settlement (MIDS) from the University of Geneva and the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, and a Bachelor of Laws from the Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil



Noiana Marigo

**Partner, Global Co-Head of the
International Arbitration, Freshfields
US LLP, United States**

Noiana Marigo is a Partner at Freshfields and Global Co-Head of International Arbitration. Noiana's practice focuses on investor-state and commercial arbitrations across a variety of sectors such as energy, mining, telecommunications, infrastructure, financial

services, aviation and airport services, sovereign debt, agriculture, and food production and distribution. She has acted as counsel and arbitrator in more than 45 high-stakes, cutting-edge arbitrations conducted under the auspices of the ICSID, ICC, PCA and/or ICDR, and under the UNCITRAL rules in both English and Spanish.

She is recognized by Chambers (Global, USA, and Latin America) and Lexology Index (formerly Who's Who Legal) as one of the top practitioners in the field of international arbitration, as one of the 500 Leading Global Litigators by Lawdragon and one of Latin America's "Top 35 Female Lawyers" by Latinvex (2018–2024) for her achievements in international arbitration. She received the Law360 MVP Award for International Arbitration (2018), the National Women in Law Award for Thought-Leadership (2018), the Hispanic National Bar Foundation Latina Leadership Award (2019), the Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA) Rainmaker Award (2021), the Women In Business Law (WIBL) Commercial Arbitration Lawyer of the Year Award in 2023, and the Lexology Client Choice Award for Mining in New York (2025).

Noiana currently serves as a Member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration and *ex officio* Member of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR (2024-2027 mandate), a Member of the Global Steering Committee of the ERE Pledge for equal representation of expert witnesses in international arbitration), and she is a Founding Member of the ERA Pledge for equal representation of women in arbitration.

She received her law degree with honors from the Buenos Aires University, her master's degree with honors from the Université Paris I Panthéon, and her master's degree in International Legal Studies from New York University School of Law.

Noiana is admitted to practice in New York and in Argentina. She is fluent in English, Spanish, and French, and is conversant in German.



Tim Martin

**Managing Director,
Northumberland Chambers,
Canada**

Tim Martin is the Managing Director of Northumberland Chambers and one of the world's foremost experts in the energy sector, bringing over five decades of global experience to some of the most complex and high-profile energy projects. Recognized as a thought leader in

international oil and gas law, he has led energy organizations, established leading energy law journals, and published widely cited academic research. Tim has worked in more than 50 countries, holding senior executive roles in commercial, operational, legal, and financial functions, including serving as CEO in the Middle East and Finance Director in Russia. His extensive background includes managing exploration and production operations, negotiating oil and gas infrastructure agreements, overseeing project finance, and advising on decommissioning regimes. Tim was President of the Association of International Energy Negotiators (AIEN) and is the founder and chair of the Journal of World Energy Law & Business, published by Oxford University Press. He is co-author of Joint Venture Disputes in the Energy & Natural Resource Sectors, a leading textbook in the field. A recognized Fellow and Chartered Arbitrator (C.Arb, FCI Arb), he is regularly appointed in major international arbitrations and serves on various energy arbitration panels. Tim's deep expertise spans common law, civil law, and Shari'ah law systems, and he is consistently recognized by Who's Who Legal as one of the leading international oil and gas lawyers. He provides legal counsel, strategic advice, and expert testimony to both national and independent energy companies worldwide.



Lucía Olavarría

**Arbitrator and Counsel, OLVARRIA
Arbitraje & Consultoría; Member, ICC
International Court of Arbitration**

Lucía Olavarría graduated from Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú and holds a Master of Laws (LL.M) from Harvard Law School. Lucía worked as counsel at prestigious firms representing clients in national and international arbitrations. Since the beginning of her career, she combined her arbitration practice with her role as regulatory counsel in electricity and natural gas projects, public-private partnerships and construction law. She has been recognized in Chambers & Partners' Up & Coming ranking and as a Future Leader by Who's

Who Legal in Arbitration. Lucía is a lawyer and independent arbitrator registered in the lists of the Arbitration Center of the Lima Chamber of Commerce, AmCham Peru and the Center for Conflict Analysis and Resolution of the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. Recently, she was appointed Member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce for the period 2024-2027. She is also Professor of the Conflict Theory course at the Law School of the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.



Patrick W. Pearsall

**Partner, Gibson Dunn & Crutcher LLP,
United States**

Patrick W. Pearsall is an international arbitration and disputes partner in the Washington D.C. office of Gibson Dunn. He is Global Co-Chair of the Geopolitical Strategy and International Law practice. Patrick is Chambers ranked in multiple practice areas and focuses on helping clients resolve complex disputes, respond to crises, and protect themselves in dozens of

jurisdictions throughout the world. He has litigated in U.S. courts at the highest levels and has practiced under all of the world's leading arbitral rules. Patrick regularly advises sovereign states and Fortune 500 companies and is widely regarded as one of the foremost experts in the world on international law. Clients describe Patrick as a "rockstar" with an "unmatched razor-sharp mind" who is an "incredible," "terrific advocate and a real thought leader."

Patrick's experience cuts across several industries, including energy, mining, pharmaceuticals, telecommunications, maritime, fisheries, financial services, infrastructure, geographic boundaries, consumer products, emergent technology, and manufacturing. Clients reach out to Patrick at all stages of a potential or active dispute. In addition to his commercial and treaty disputes work, Patrick is often called upon to assist companies, executives, and sovereign states when they are struggling with exposure from a geopolitical crisis. Patrick is a recognized specialist in investment protection and dispute avoidance. He has successfully resolved claims involving tens of billions of dollars for clients. Patrick is widely recognized, including by Chambers USA, Chambers Global, and Lexology as a "Global Elite Thought Leader." He is also listed by Latinex as one of the ten best disputes lawyers in Latin America and is recommended by Legal 500. He was previously named to Global Arbitration Review's "45 under 45" list, which features global leaders in the field of international arbitration under 45.

For nearly a decade, Patrick served in the U.S. State Department, working on economic and natural resources diplomacy, and trade and dispute resolution. He departed in 2017 as Chief of Investment Arbitration, responsible for defending the United States in various international fora. In addition to his representations, Patrick was on the drafting committee for the revision of the ICC Rules, an advisor on the revision of the AAA and ICDR Rules, and led the negotiations of several bilateral and multilateral treaties on behalf of the United States. He sits on the Panel of Arbitrators for the International Center of the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) as well as for the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) and the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board (KCAB).



María Eugenia Ramírez

Partner, Hogan Lovells US LLP, United States; Member, ICC Institute of World Business Law

Maria Eugenia Ramirez is a partner at Hogan Lovells based in Miami and a leading international arbitration lawyer with a strong focus on Latin America and the Caribbean. Born and raised in Puerto Rico, she joined Hogan Lovells in 2002 to help establish and grow the firm's international arbitration practice, which has

since expanded globally.

Maria Eugenia represents clients in contract, construction, and telecommunications disputes under major arbitral institutions such as ICDR, ICC, and ICSID, and conducts proceedings in both English and Spanish. Prior to private practice, she clerked for the Honorable Juan M. Pérez-Giménez in the U.S. District Court for the District of Puerto Rico and served as legal counsel and board member of the March of Dimes, Puerto Rico Chapter. She is the only Hogan Lovells lawyer licensed to practice in Puerto Rico state courts.

Maria Eugenia has been recognized among Latin America's Top 100 Female Lawyers by LatinVex and ranked by Chambers Global and The Legal 500 for dispute resolution and litigation. A graduate of Cornell Law School (J.D.) and Georgetown University (A.B., cum laude), she serves on several boards, including the Miami International Arbitration Society and the President's Council of Cornell Women. She frequently represents investors and states in complex treaty arbitrations and is known for her leadership and influence in shaping the arbitration landscape across the Americas.



Rafael Rincón

**Partner, Rincón Castro Abogados SAS,
Colombia**

Rafael Rincón is a Partner in Rincón Castro Abogados where he focuses his practice in international arbitration, international litigation and public law. Previously, he was a founding member of Zuleta Abogados Asociados.

Rafael has more than 15 years of experience in international disputes under the ICC, UNCITRAL, ICSID and ICDR Rules of Arbitration involving the infrastructure, mining, mergers and acquisitions, energy, and oil and gas industries. Rafael is experienced in acting in

arbitrations in several jurisdictions, including the US, Mexico, Colombia, Ecuador, Spain and the UK.

Rafael sits as arbitrator in international tribunals under the ICC Rules of Arbitration and the Rules of Arbitration of other international arbitration centres. He has also acted as secretary to international investment arbitration tribunals under the UNCITRAL Rules and is a member of the Editorial Board of the ICC Bulletin and a Latin American Representative to the ICC YAAF.

Rafael graduated with honours from Pontifical Xavierian University School of Law, and obtained an LLM in international business regulation, litigation and arbitration from the NYU School of Law. He is a professor of international arbitration and public international law at the PontificalXavierian University School of Law in Bogotá.



Claudia Salomon

President, ICC International Court of Arbitration, France

Claudia Salomon is the President of the ICC International Court of Arbitration. She is the first woman to lead the world's most preferred arbitral institution in its almost 100-year history.

Ms. Salomon is also an independent arbitrator, specialising in international, investor-state and complex commercial disputes. She is widely recognised as one of the leading arbitration practitioners of her generation.

Ms. Salomon has experience as arbitrator and counsel in some of the most complex, high value and significant disputes. Her cases span a broad range of industry sectors, including construction, energy and natural resources (oil and gas, hydroelectric, solar, wind farm), financial services, hospitality, life sciences, technology, and telecommunications. She is particularly adept at multi-party, multi-contract claims involving complex financial agreements, post-M&A disputes and intellectual property rights.

Additionally, Ms. Salomon is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. She is a sought-after speaker and writer on international arbitration and the co-editor of *Choice of Venue in International Arbitration*, published by Oxford University Press.

Ms. Salomon is a member of the New York Bar and a solicitor in England and Wales. She graduated from Harvard Law School, cum laude, and Brandeis University, summa cum laude with honours. She also studied at Somerville College, Oxford University.



Sofia Sampaio

**Partner, Armesto Dispute
Resolution, Spain; ICC YAAF
Representative for Europe &
Central Asia 2024–2026**

Sofia de Sampaio Jalles is a partner at Armesto Dispute Resolution, an arbitration boutique based in Madrid

that handles complex commercial and investment disputes in various sectors, jurisdictions, and languages. Sofia has 10 years of experience in arbitration and has been involved in over 30 international arbitration proceedings, both *ad hoc* and administered by major institutions. Sofia is an ICC Young Arbitration and ADR Forum (ICC YAAF) representative for Europe and Central Asia (2024–2026). She is also a member of multiple commissions and taskforces within institutions and arbitration associations, including the Award Scrutiny Commission of the CIAM-CIAR. She has consistently been recognized by the Lexology Index as a “Future Leader” in international arbitration since 2021. A Portuguese national, Sofia is qualified as a lawyer in France and is fluent in four languages.



Anna-Katharina Scheffer da Silveira

**Counsel, Adriana Braghetta Advogados,
Brazil; ICC YAAF Representative for Latin
America 2024-2026**

Anna-Katharina Scheffer da Silveira is a Counsel at Adriana Braghetta Advogados in São Paulo, where she acts in both domestic and international arbitrations, with a focus on corporate, energy, construction, and commercial disputes. She also teaches in the Global Law Program at FGV University in São Paulo.

Previously, she acted as Special Counsel at L.O. Baptista and MAMG Advogados in São Paulo and as Associate in the arbitration teams of Clifford Chance in Paris and Noerr in Düsseldorf. She is also a former Deputy Counsel of the ICC International Court of Arbitration in Paris.

Anna-Katharina is admitted to the Düsseldorf Bar and currently serves as ICC YAAF Representative for Latin America for the 2024–2026 mandate. She works in Portuguese, English, French, Spanish, and German.



Marcelo A. Schoeters

**Executive Vice President, Compass
Lexecon, Argentina**

Marcelo A. Schoeters is Executive Vice President and a leading expert in economic and regulatory analysis, business valuation, and damage assessment in international arbitration, with over 33 years of experience in the field. He has participated in more than 80 international and commercial arbitration cases across diverse sectors including toll roads, oil & gas, electricity, water & sewage,

airports, railroads, telecommunications, hospitality, real estate, fishing, aluminum, and retail. His work spans jurisdictions such as Argentina, Brazil, Spain, the United Kingdom, Turkey, Russia, Venezuela, and many others. Mr. Schoeters previously served as a key economic advisor to Argentina's Secretariat of Energy, and held expert roles at Mercados Energéticos and LECG, contributing to public and private sector projects related to energy regulation, risk management, tariff setting, privatization, and rural electrification. He has consistently been recognized among the world's top arbitration expert witnesses by Who's Who Legal (2010–2024), received the Client Choice Award in 2023, and was named a Thought Leader by Lexology and GAR in 2025. Praised as a "prominent expert who excels at testifying," Mr. Schoeters is known for his clarity, rigor, and ability to convey complex economic findings with precision. He holds a BA in Economics and is a PhD candidate at the Universidad Nacional de Córdoba. He speaks Spanish and English.



Ana Serra e Moura

**Deputy Secretary General, ICC International
Court of Arbitration, France**

Ana Serra e Moura is the Deputy Secretary General of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, a position she has held since June 2017. She joined the ICC in 2011 as Deputy Counsel for the Latin America and Iberian Region and was promoted to Counsel in 2015. Ana has extensive experience in international dispute resolution, having worked with renowned arbitrator Juan Fernández-Armesto

at Armesto & Asociados in Madrid and CCA Advogados Ontier in Lisbon before joining the ICC. Ana holds a law degree from the Universidade Católica Portuguesa and is admitted to practice in Portugal. She is fluent in Portuguese, English, Spanish, and French. In addition to her role at the ICC, Ana is a frequent speaker at international arbitration conferences and has contributed to various academic courses, including the Executive Course on International Commercial Arbitration at King's College London.



Eduardo Zuleta

Independent Arbitrator, Arbitration Chambers, Colombia; Member, ICC Institute of World Business Law

Independent Arbitrator. Member of Arbitration Chambers based in Bogota Colombia and New York, USA. Has acted as Vice President of the ICC Court of Arbitration; Vice President of the LCIA Court of Arbitration; Vice President of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration; member of the Sanctions Board of the World Bank;

President of the IBA Arbitration Committee and founder and President of the Latin American Arbitration Association (ALARB). Has been appointed twice to the ICSID list of Arbitrators by the President of the World Bank (President's list). Has sat as President and co-arbitrator in more than one hundred commercial and investment cases, including annulment committees, under major international rules, including ICC, ICDR, ICSID, UNCITRAL, LCIA and IACAC involving jurisdictions in the Americas, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Adjunct professor at Georgetown Law.