

# VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. **Current position:**

Principal Associate, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer Rechtsanwälte PartG mbB

5. **Education:**

Juris doctorate, The George Washington University School of Law (2012)

Master of Arts, Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (2012)

Bachelor of Arts, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2006)

6. **Practiced experience in arbitration**

- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?  
Over 15 international arbitrations, including under ICC, ICSID, DIS and LCIA Rules
- How often have you acted as Chairman?  
0
- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?  
0
- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?  
0
- How often have you acted as Counsel?  
Over 15
- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?  
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7. **Publications and other activities in arbitration (e.g. training sessions, seminars, conferences, articles and others):**

- Arbitration International (Volume 37, Issue 1, March 2021): *Pick Your President: Why and How Parties Should Seek to Agree on a Presiding Arbitrator*
- The Practitioners' Guide to Applied Comparative Law and Language (2020, Lexis Nexis): *Introduction to Arbitration under the US System*
- European Intellectual Property Review (n°7 - vol. 40, June 2018): *The Rubber Meets the Road: The Interim Decision in Bridgestone v Panama*
- Transnational Dispute Management (2018): *The State Doesn't Strike Back After All: India's Final Model BIT Takes the Bite out of Investor Obligations and Eliminates State Counterclaims*

- Journal of International Arbitration (October 2017): *Eli Lilly v. Canada: A Patently Clear-Cut Dismissal on the Facts, but Opening the Door for Future Claimants on the Law*
- Frequent presentations at conferences and seminars

**8. Membership in arbitral institutions / functions in arbitral institutions/organizations:**  
Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners (YAAP)

**9. Languages**

Mother tongue: English

Working languages (i.e. languages in which you have both a spoken and written command so that you may conduct arbitral proceedings in this language): German and Russian (reading and conversational speaking only)

**10. In which legal systems have you trained?**

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|---------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil Law    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Common Law |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Austrian Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Hungarian Law         | <input type="checkbox"/> Swiss Law     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Czech Law    | <input type="checkbox"/> Polish Law            | <input type="checkbox"/> Ukrainian Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> German Law   | <input type="checkbox"/> Slovakian Law         | <input type="checkbox"/> European Law  |

Other: US law

**11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?**

Austria

**12. In which jurisdictions are you admitted to the bar?**

New York (USA): Washington, DC (USA)

**13. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust/Unfair competition               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Damages               | <input type="checkbox"/> Insolvency               | <input type="checkbox"/> Power plants                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance                | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Intern. Law          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking & Finance                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Domain name disputes             | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellect. property (IP) | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Intern. Law           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital markets                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment                       | <input type="checkbox"/> ISDS/ Foreign invest.    | <input type="checkbox"/> Real estate                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CISG                                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy                | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint ventures           | <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil fraud disputes                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engineering           | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing                | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports                       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial disp. / transactions | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Life sciences            | <input type="checkbox"/> State/Public contracts       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity market                           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Healthcare & Pharmac. | <input type="checkbox"/> Maritime arbitration     | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Company/Corporate/M&A                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel/Gastro./Tour.              | <input type="checkbox"/> Media                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telecommunication |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Inform. technology (IT)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contract law                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural resources        |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____                                |   |   |   |

**14. Date of birth:** 27 April 1984

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Signature