

VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. **Current position:** Partner in International Arbitration, Hogan Lovells International LLP (Paris)

5. **Education:**

- King's College London, Master of Laws (LLM) with merit
- Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Master's Degree in Private International Law and International Business Law
- Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Magistère in Business Law

6. **Practiced experience in arbitration**

- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?
17 under ICC, ICSID and UNCITRAL rules
- How often have you acted as Chairman?
- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?
- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?
- How often have you acted as Counsel? **16**
- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)? **1**

7. **Publications and other activities in arbitration (e.g. training sessions, seminars, conferences, articles and others):**

Articles

- "Hot Topic: Arbitrating M&A Disputes", *Corporate Disputes*, Jan-Mar 2024
- "International arbitration and climate change disputes", *Legal Industry Reviews*, October 2023
- "Practical tips on drafting arbitration clauses", (with Merlin Papadhopulli), *Legal Industry Reviews*, November 2023
- "Impact of Russian Sanctions on International Arbitration – an update", (with Lucas Aubry), *Legal Industry Reviews*, July 2023

- Co-wrote a chapter on international investment law for a prominent Colombian university text book: “*El derecho internacional de las inversiones*”, (with Nicolas Palau van Hissenhoven), *Derecho Internacional, conceptos, doctrinas y debates*, June 2023
- “Steering arbitration towards a greener future: adaptations and challenges”, *40 under 40 International Arbitration (2021)*, Carlos Gonzalez Bueno Catlan de Ocon, (2021)
- “Climate change in international arbitration, the next big thing?”, (with Laurent Gouiffès), *Journal of Energy & Natural Resources Law (Volume 40, 2022, Issue 2)*, May 2021
- “*La reconnaissance du secret des affaires pour la production de documents en arbitrage international*”, (with Thibaud Roujour de Boubée), *La Semaine Juridique ; Edition Générale - N°21-22*, May 2019
- “States’ Counterclaims: How Hard is it to Counterattack in International Investment Arbitration?”, *International Arbitration Law Review – Volume 22, Issue 1*, 2019
- “Jurisdiction and admissibility: are we any closer to a line in the sand?”, *Arbitration International*, Volume 31, Issue 1, March 2015
- “*Anulación de los laudos CIADI - Variables de ajuste y margen de maniobra de los Comités ad hoc*”, (with Laurent Gouiffès), *Anuario Latinoamericano de Arbitraje – N°1*, 2011

Training Sessions / Conferences / Seminars

- Guest on the CICA (International Centre for Conciliation and Arbitration)'s 'Arbitration Talks' podcast on the topic of investment arbitration (November 2023)
- Spoke on drafting international arbitration clauses at a seminar organised by BLP Legal in Costa Rica (November 2023)
- Provided a training session on investment arbitration procedures for the Bogota Chamber of Commerce (October 2023)
- Spoke at the Peruvian Institute of Arbitration’s (IPA) XI International Seminar on Investment Arbitration about the differences between commercial and investment arbitration (October 2023)
- Moderated a panel on how to assess risks in construction contracts at the *Jornadas de Arbitraje* event hosted by Hogan Lovells, Mexico (July 2023)
- Gave a presentation to the dual Queen Mary’s/Sorbonne LLM on Climate Change Disputes and International Arbitration (May 2023)
- Presented on the subject “Is arbitration suited for climate change disputes?”, ICCA Congress 2022, Edinburgh (September 2022)
- Moderated a panel on “The Mechanics of Persuasion and How Decisions are Made” as part of Paris Arbitration Week 2022 (March 2022)
- Moderated a roundtable on the theme “Energy reforms in Latin America – an impact for arbitration?”, Paris Arbitration Week (September 2021)
- Participated in a panel on “Dispute Resolution in Emerging Markets” at the Singapore Mediation Convention Week 2021 (September 2021)
- Participated in a panel on “Corruption Allegations in International Arbitration” at the Hogan Lovells’ Arbitration Dialogues event in London (October 2018)
- Spoke on ICSID annulment procedures at the IPA (*Instituto Peruano del Arbitraje*) Arbitration Conference in Chile (September 2019)
- Gave a presentation on State-on-State counterclaims in investment arbitration in front of the French *Conseil d’État* (Council of State) (November 2017)
- Spoke at the ICC’s Young Arbitration Forum in Bogota, Colombia (October 2017)

8. Membership in arbitral institutions / functions in arbitral institutions/organizations:

- President of the Investment and International Commerce Commission of the *Association des Juristes Franco-Colombiens* (AJFC). The AJFC promotes cultural and academic exchanges between legal professionals in France and Colombia through debate, colloquia, forums and publications.

- Member of the *Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje* Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (*CEIA*)
- Member of *ArbitralWomen*
- Member of ICC Colombia
- Member of ICC France
- Member of *Asociacion Latinoamericana de Arbitraje (Alarb)*
- Member of *ICC YAF, ICDR, YIAG*

9. Languages

Mother tongue: Spanish/French

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): French, English and Spanish

I also understand Italian and some German.

10. In which legal systems have you trained?

- X Civil Law Common Law
 Austrian Law Hungarian Law Swiss Law
 Czech Law Polish Law Ukrainian Law
 German Law Slovakian Law European Law

Other _____

11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?

France, Europe, Latin America

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

Paris Bar

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

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

14. Date of birth: 15/07/1984

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