

VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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Partner – Leboulanger & Associés Law Office, Paris, France

4. **Education:**

France:

LL.M in Arbitration, Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas), (2002)

Master in International Law, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas), (2000)

Master in European Union Institutional Law, University of Paris II (Panthéon-Assas), (2000)

United States:

Juris Doctor (JD) in Law; University of Missouri-Columbia, School of Law, US (1997)

Romania:

Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering, Polytechnic Institute, Faculty of Aerospace Engineering, Bucharest, Romania (1986)

5. **Practiced experience in arbitration**

- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?
Approx fifty (50) international arbitrations under ICC Rules, UNCITRAL (ad-hoc), ICSID, DIAC, CRCICA, DIFC-LCIA and the Rules of the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the CCI Romania, under the substantive laws of France, Romania, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Kazakhstan, Egypt, Republic of Congo, Guinea, Republic of Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Iran.
- How often have you acted as Chairman?
3 times.
- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?
3 times.
- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?
3 times.
- How often have you acted as Counsel?
Approx 30 times.
- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?
Approx 12 times.

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

Publications:

"The "Group of Companies" Doctrine – Between Myth and Reality", 2011 Romanian Review of Arbitration, vol. 2;

"A procedural "Road Map" for the Recognition and Enforcement of foreign arbitral awards in Romania: from Article VII (1) of the New York Convention to Law 105/1992" (co- author), in 2008 Journal of International Arbitration, vol. 2.

Speaking engagements:

"Dispute Boards – How to Get the A-Team!", DRBF Central and Eastern European Conference, Romania, 27-28 October 2022;

"Dispute Boards: Two Versions, One Truth" – Should DBs apply the Governing Law?", DRBF Central and Eastern European Conference, on-line, 10-12 March 2021;

Concurrent Delay: "does it really exist?", DRBF Central and Eastern European Conference, Tbilisi, Georgia 11-/13 March 2020;

"The increasing duration of the arbitration proceedings and the techniques of controlling it", Annual Conference on International Arbitration, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law, November 2014.

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

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (MCIArb), DRBF, ICC France and Romania, Court of International Arbitration attached to the CCI, Romania, IBA, Arbitral Women.

8. Languages

Mother tongue: Romanian

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): Bilingual English /French

9. In which legal systems have you trained?

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| <input checked="" 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"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> European Law |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> French Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> US Law |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Romanian Law | | |

10. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?

France

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

France (2004)

Romania (Dir. 98/5/CE) (2015)

12. 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 | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution | <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> 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 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investment arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Intern. Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CISG | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input type="checkbox"/> ISDS/Foreign inves. | <input type="checkbox"/> Real estate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil fraud disputes | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint ventures | <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial disp. / transactions | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity market | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare & Pharmac. | <input type="checkbox"/> Life sciences | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State/Public contracts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Company/Corporate/M&A | <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel/Gastro./Tour. | <input type="checkbox"/> Maritime arbitration | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Inform. technology (IT) | <input type="checkbox"/> Media | <input type="checkbox"/> Telecommunication |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | | |

13. Date of birth: 22 January 1963

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x I have completed this questionnaire to the above to the best of my knowledge and believe they are accurate.

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Date