VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. Current position:

Managing Partner of SMARTLEGAL Schmidt & Partners, a Hungarian business law firm with strong focus on international commercial dispute resolution

5. Education:

LL.M in International and European Business law -Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium) 2011

Lawyer specialised in EU Law (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest, Hungary) 2007

Law Degree (Pázmány Péter Catholic University, Budapest, Hungary) 2004

6. Practiced experience in arbitration

How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?

25

ICC

UNCITRAL Rules

HKIAC Rules

Hungarian Chamber of Commerce Rules

• How often have you acted as Chairman?

1

How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?

I have not yet acted as Sole Arbitrator

• How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?

4

• How often have you acted as Counsel?

20

How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?
 I have not acted in different function.



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

Selected Publications:

ICCA Publications 2023	ICCA YEARBOOK COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION 2022 - VOLUME XLVII. – PART V – Hungarian Chapter
Kluwer Arbitration Blog 05/01/2023	MORE THAN A FACELIFT? – New Hungarian Arbitration Rules Take Off in 2023
HCCI Yearbook 2021- 2022	REMOTE ARBITRAL HEARINGS IN HUNGARY - The quest for the right to physical hearing under Hungarian law
Hungarian Yearbook of International and European Law 2022	60 YEARS OF THE NEW YORK CONVENTION IN HUNGARY – A formalistic yet pro-arbitration approach
Kluwer Arbitration Blog 07/02/2022	Hungary: Enforcing Arbitration Agreements by Applying Foreign Law
ICCA Publications 2021	Does a Right to a Physical Hearing Exist in International Arbitration? National Report – Hungary
HCCI Yearbook 2019- 2020	Setting Aside Arbitral Awards in the Last 25 Years in Hungary – A Pro- Arbitration Approach with Minor Derailments. Yearbook of the Hungarian Permanent Arbitration Court 2019-2020
ICCA Publications 2021	ICCA's Guide to the Interpretation of the 1958 New York Convention (cotranslator of the Hungarian version of the book)
Kluwer Arbitration Blog 2021/09/03	Hungary: Steps Towards Differentiating Between Domestic and International Procedural Public Policy
Jurisprudential Bulletin 2021	VARIATIONS ON A THEME – Asymmetrical forum selection in international practice (Jurisprudential Bulletin 2021/1) (in Hungarian)
Jurisprudential Bulletin 2020	THAT OBSCURE OBJECT OF DESIRE - Asymmetrical jurisdiction and arbitration agreements (Jurisprudential Bulletin 2020/11) (in Hungarian)
Jurisprudential Bulletin 2020	EROSION OF ARBITRAL KOMPETENZ-KOMPTENZ IN HUNGARY – Who pays the cost of legal insecurity? (Jurisprudential Bulletin 2020/5) (in Hungarian)
Hungarian Law Review 2020	Spoiled for choice? – The law governing arbitration agreement in Hungary in international perspective (Hungarian Law review 2020/1) (in Hungarian)
Business and Law Review 2019	IS LIQUIDATION PROCEDURE THE SWORD OF DAMOCLES? - The Hungarian construction trusteeship in front of the arbitral tribunal of ICC Business and Law Review 2019/12 (in Hungarian)
Kluwer Arbitration Blog 2020/01/26	Hungary: Setting Aside Arbitral Awards in the Last 25 Years – A Pro- Arbitration Approach with Minor Derailments)
Kluwer Arbitration Blog 2019/09/11	Hungary: The New York Convention In Court Practice In Two Decades - Formalistic Yet Pro-arbitration Approach?

Selected speaking engagements:

Double or quits? – Competing arbitration and choice-of-court clauses – Annual Conference of the Hungarian Arbitration Association, Budapest (2022)

Recognition and enforcement of foreign arbitral awards and EU law – Conference of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, Civil law committee (2022)

Asymmetric Arbitration and Jurisdiction Agreements in international commerce – Annual Conference of International Law Firms Network, Dubai (2022)

The New York Convention in international and domestic court practice - Seminar for the Hungarian Lawyer's Association (2021)

Asymmetric Arbitration and Jurisdiction Agreements – Webinar organized by the Hungarian Arbitration Association (2021)

The law governing the arbitration agreement – Seminar for Scientific Student's Association of the Pázmány Péter Catholic University (2019)

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

Arbitrator listed on the Roll of Arbitrators of the Permanent Court of Arbitration attached to the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Board Member of the Hungarian Arbitration Association (HAA)

ICCA Yearbook – Reporter for Hungary

Member of ICCA

Member of European Center for Arbitration and Mediation

Member of Swiss Arbitration Association

9. Languages

Mother tongue: Hungarian

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):

English, French

10. In which legal systems have	e yo	ou trained?							
X <u>Civil Law</u>		Common Law							
☐ Austrian Law	Х	Hungarian Law		Swiss Law					
☐ Czech Law		Polish Law		Ukrainian Law					
☐ German Law		Slovakian Law 🗖	Х	European Law					
Other:									
11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?									
Hungary									
12. In which jurisdictions are you admitted to the bar?									
Hungary									
13. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):									
X Antitrust/Unfair competition	Χ	Damages	Χ	Insolvency		Power plants			
☐ Aviation	Χ	Distribution		Insurance	Χ	Private Intern. Law			
☐ Banking & Finance		Domain name disputes	Χ	Intellect. property (IP)		Public Intern. Law			
☐ Capital markets	Χ	Employment		ISDS/ Foreign invest.	Χ	Real estate			
X CISG		Energy		Joint ventures		Shipping			
X Civil fraud disputes	Χ	Engineering	Χ	Licensing		Sports			
X Commercial disp. / transactions		Entertainment		Life sciences		State/Public contracts			
☐ Commodity market		Healthcare & Pharmac.		Maritime arbitration		Technology			
X Company/Corporate/M&A		Hotel/Gastro./Tour.		Media		Telecommunication			
X Construction		Inform. technology (IT)		Mining	Χ	Transport			
X Contract law		Infrastructure		Natural resources					
☐ Other									
14. Date of birth: 25/10/1979)								
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