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Dietmar W. Prager is a litigation partner in the firm's New York office who focuses his practice on international arbitration and litigation. He co-leads the firm's Latin America Practice Group.

Dr. Prager has represented parties in numerous arbitrations throughout the world under the auspices of the ICC, ICSID, LCIA, AAA, ICDR and the PCA as well as in *ad hoc* arbitration proceedings. He was also one of the youngest lawyers ever to argue before the International Court of Justice.

Dr. Prager's recent representations include disputes involving complex infrastructure projects, shareholder disputes, investment treaties, energy and mining projects, oil & gas projects, the retail sector, the finance sector, sovereign debt, and distribution agreements. Dr. Prager also regularly sits as arbitrator.

Dr. Prager is ranked among the leading international arbitration practitioners by *Chambers Global*, *Chambers USA*, *Chambers Latin America*, *Legal 500 Latin America*, *Benchmark Litigation* and *Who's Who Legal*. He has been described as "brilliant," "outstanding" and an "excellent lawyer." The publications have highlighted his "impressive work and responsiveness to clients' needs," his "great depth of analysis," his "great ability to manage stressful situations" and his "vast linguistic ability" and observed that "clients speak highly of his qualities, saying 'He's dynamic, intelligent, accessible and knowledgeable.'"

Dr. Prager is a vice-chair and member of the Executive Board of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration (ITA), an officer of the IBA Arbitration Committee

and the chair of the IBA Subcommittee on International Arbitration Case Law, and a member of the International Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitration Centre (VIAC). He also serves as a member of the Vance Center Committee, the governing body of the Cyrus R. Vance Center for International Justice. He is a member of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA), the Comitê Brasileiro de Arbitragem (CBAr), the Asociación Latinoamericana de Arbitraje (ALArb), the International Bar Association (IBA), the Club Español de Arbitraje and the American Society of International Law.

Dr. Prager is the author of several articles and blogs on international arbitration, international courts and tribunals, international procedural law, as well as Latin-American integration, and speaks regularly at international arbitration conferences.

Dr. Prager is a member of the bar of New York. Prior to joining Debevoise in September 2000, Dr. Prager served as Legal Officer at the Registry of the International Court of Justice. He received his LL.M. from New York University School of Law, his Dr. iur. from University of Innsbruck and his Austrian law degree from University of Vienna.

Dr. Prager speaks German, English, Spanish and French and is proficient in Portuguese.