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Educational/ Current position / Professional Experience

Current position

Senior Counsel, BSP
Research Scientist, University of Luxembourg

Education

- PhD, Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance, University of Luxembourg (2020)
- LLM in Private International Law and Dispute Settlement, King's College London (2010)
- LLB Bachelor of Laws, University of Granada, Spain (2008)

Bar Admissions

- Admitted as a lawyer (*Abogado*) to the Bar Association of Granada, Spain (2008)
- Admitted as a Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales, BPP Law School (2013)

Professional membership

Member of the *Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje* (CEIA); President of the Luxembourg Chapter of CEIA

Arbitration Experience

As counsel:

- ✓ Represented the Metropolitan Municipality of Lima in an UNCITRAL arbitration related to the reconditioning and operation of three sections of the North Pan-American Highway under a concession contract (*Rutas de Lima v. Municipalidad Metropolitana de Lima*)
- ✓ Represented a French investor against Hungary in an investment dispute involving state reforms on the taxation of fringe benefits (*Edenred S.A. v. Hungary*, ICSID Case No. ARB/13/21)
- ✓ Represented a Spanish supplier of electrical installations against its German partner in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris arising from the termination of an agency agreement.
- ✓ Represented the Metropolitan Municipality of Lima under the CAIP Rules regarding the request for cancelling a concession contract for the construction and operation of the “Línea Amarilla” toll road (*Municipalidad Metropolitana de Lima v. Línea Amarilla S.A.C.*)
- ✓ Represented a Colombian oil company in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris in relation to the alleged breach of an EPC contract.
- ✓ Represented the Republic of Peru in an ICSID arbitration initiated by a Spanish telecommunication company under the Spain-Peru BIT in connection to tax-related measures adopted by the state (*Telefónica S.A. v. Republic of Peru*, ICSID Case No. ARB/21/10)
- ✓ Represented a Central American State in *ad hoc* arbitration under UNCITRAL Rules related to the construction of a 40km highway.
- ✓ Represented a Mexican State-owned oil entity in enforcement proceedings before Luxembourg courts.
- ✓ Represented the Venezuelan government in an investment dispute involving the expropriation of a fertilizer production company (*Gambrinus, Corp. v. The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*, ICSID Case No. ARB/11/31)
- ✓ Represented the owners of two jack-up rigs in an ICC arbitration seated in London arising from the alleged breach of a master vessel and modification agreement.
- ✓ Represented the Venezuelan government in an arbitration concerning the alleged expropriation of a food manufacturing company (*Serafín García Armas and Karina García Gruber v. The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*, UNCITRAL, Case PCA No. 2013-3)
- ✓ Represented the government of Mongolia in an investment dispute concerning a mining exploitation contract.
- ✓ Represented Chile in a maritime boundary dispute between before the ICJ.
- ✓ Represented an American company in an AAA arbitration seated in New York arising out of a dispute concerning an intellectual property allocation agreement.

As secretary:

- ✓ Assisted the arbitral tribunal in an ICDR arbitration arising from an employment-related dispute.
- ✓ Assisted the arbitral tribunal in a LCIA arbitration seated in London concerning a contract for the transportation of fuel from Kuwait to Iraq.
- ✓ Assisted the arbitration tribunal in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris arising from the termination of an agency and distribution agreement.

Publications:

- ‘ZAZA OKUASHVILI v GEORGIA, Case V 2019/058, Partial Final Award on Jurisdiction and Admissibility’, (2023) 117 (4) *American Journal of International Law* 681-689.
- ‘The Fragmentation of International Investment and Tax Dispute Settlement: A Good Idea?’, (2023) 36(3) *Leiden Journal of International Law* 617-642.
- ‘Injunctions: International Arbitration’, *Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law* (OUP, April 2023)
- ‘The Legality of EU Sanctions under International Investment Agreements’, (2023) 28 *European Foreign Affairs Review* 95-116.
- ‘Immunity Defences and the Enforcement of Awards in Investor-State Disputes’ in K Gore, K Duggal, E Putilin and C Baltag (eds), *Investment Law and Arbitration in Central Asia: Emerging Issues* (Kluwer Law International 2022)
- ‘International Investment Law in US Courts’, in H Ruiz Fabri and E Stoppioni (eds), *International Investment Law: An Analysis of Major Decisions* (Hart Publishing 2022)
- ‘Recalibrating the International Investment Regime through Narrowed Jurisdiction’, (2020) 69(2) *International and Comparative Law Quarterly* 301-344 (winner of the 2020 ICLQ Early Career Prize)
- ‘Nationality of Claim: Investment Arbitration’, *Max Planck Encyclopedia of International Procedural Law* (OUP, September 2019).
- ‘Sovereign Immunity as a Ground to Refuse Compliance with Investor-State Awards: Past Experience and Future Developments’ in K Fach Gómez AM López Rodríguez (eds), *60 Years of the New York Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards: Key Issues and Future Challenges* (Kluwer Law International 2019)
- ‘Enforcement/Execution of ICSID Awards against Reluctant States’, (2018) 12(3) *Journal of World Investment & Trade* 307-319 (with Martin Hunter)
- ‘Redefining the Position of the Investor in the International Legal Order and the Nature of Investment Treaty Rights: A Closer Look at the Relationship between Diplomatic Protection and Investor-State Arbitration’ in J Summers and A Gough (eds), *Non-State Actors and International Obligations* (Martinus Nijhoff 2018)
- ‘Rethinking the Relevance of Customary International Law to issues of Nationality in Investment Treaty Arbitration’ in J Akbaba and G Capurro (eds), *International Challenges in Investment Law and Arbitration* (Routledge 2018)
- ‘Claims by Dual Nationals under Investment Treaties: Are Investors Entitled to Sue Their Own States?’, (2017) 8(4) *Journal of International Dispute Settlement* 695-727.

Speaking engagements

- ‘The Assignment of Awards’, Conference on *Enforcing Arbitral Awards Against Sovereigns: Recent Trends in Law & Practice*, Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance, University of Luxembourg, 10 January 2024.
- ‘Use and Abuse of Nationality in International Arbitration’, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, London, 21 November 2023.
- ‘Invoking Denial of Benefits Clauses in Wartime: Lessons from the Ukrainian Crisis’, presented at the European Society of International Law (ESIL) Research Forum, 27-28 April 2023, Tartu University.
- ‘The Legality of EU Sanctions under International Investment Agreements’, Workshop on *Trade and Security in the EU's Unilateral Trade and Investment Policy*, Utrecht University, 2 December 2022.
- ‘The Implementation and Legality of EU Sanctions against Russian Nationals’, Workshop on *From Cradle to Grave - The Policy Cycle of EU Restrictive Measures*, Groningen University, 24-26 November 2022.
- ‘Economic Sanctions and International Investment Law: Investor and State Defences’, Conference on *Sanctions in the Light of Russia's Invasion of Ukraine: What's New in Law and Practice?*, Faculty of Law, Economics and Finance, University of Luxembourg, 4 July 2022.

Languages

Spanish (Native/Bilingual Proficiency.), English (Native/Bilingual Proficiency) French (Professional Working Proficiency)