

Edith Aupetit is a lawyer qualified in France and New-York. She is a partner and co-head of the Dispute Resolution & Commercial practice at Qivive Avocats & Rechtsanwälte. She advises and represents companies in complex **international arbitration and litigation**. Her expertise lies in cross-border disputes involving French and German speaking companies and/or French and German Law, drawing on her dual qualifications in French and German law, deep understanding of both cultures and fluency in both languages.

She regularly represents clients in arbitration proceedings under institutional rules, including those of the **ICC** and the **VIAC**, as well as in ad hoc arbitrations. She also represents parties before the French courts in annulment and enforcement proceedings relating to arbitral awards. She handles disputes arising from **distribution agreements, agency contracts, licensing arrangements, industrial projects and international sales contracts**, among others.

Professional Experience

Since 2014: **Qivive Avocats & Rechtsanwälte**, Cologne / Paris
Partner & Co-Head of Dispute Resolution & Commercial

2011-2014: **Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton**, Paris
Associate – International Arbitration and Litigation

Education / Bar Admissions

- 2014: admitted to the German Bar (as a foreign professional)
- 2012: admitted to the New York-Bar
- 2011: admitted to the Paris Bar
- 2011: LL.M., Columbia Law School, New York
- 2009-2010: Professional lawyer's certificate (including various internships in litigation / arbitration departments)

- 2007-2008: Master's Degree (Master 2) in **Private International Law and International Trade Law**, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
- 2003-2007: **Double degree in French and German Law** (Maîtrise Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne / LL.M., Universität zu Köln)

Arbitration Experience

Selected experience includes:

- Representation of a **French fashion company** against a German investment fund in an **ICC arbitration seated in Munich** following the termination of a trademark licence agreement governed by German law.
- Representation of a **German automotive supplier** against a Polish commercial agent in an **ICC arbitration seated in Cologne** concerning compensation claims following the termination of an agency agreement.
- Representation of a **French shipping agent against** a German company in an **ad hoc arbitration seated in Hamburg** following the termination of a liner shipping agreement.
- Representation of an **African petrol station network operator** against a refinery product supplier in an **ICC arbitration seated in Paris** relating to a distribution agreement.
- Representation of a **German engineering company** against a Polish counterparty in an arbitration under the rules of the **Vienna International Arbitral Centre** concerning a crane supply agreement.
- Strategic advice on French arbitration law to a **Swiss financial institution** in a **multi-party ICC arbitration seated in Paris**, inter alia regarding allegations of corruption in connection with a major international project.
- Representation of the same Swiss financial institution in **set-aside proceedings before French courts** against an ICC arbitral award.
- Strategic advice on French arbitration law to a **German company** in the context of an **ICC arbitration seated in Paris** against an iranian joint venture concerning a construction project

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Publications / Speaker Engagement

- June 2025, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne: « *Streitbeilegung aktualisiert : nouveaux domaines d'application et nouvelles formes de règlement des litiges – France* », panel discussion, 35th anniversary of the French-German Degree Programm
- *Relaunch der ICC-SchO: Wettlauf der ICC-SchO mit der DIS-SchO? (IWRZ 3 | 21 Seiten 97-144)*

Professional Memberships

ICC Young Arbitrators Forum | DIS | ArbitralWomen | CFA-40