

VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. Current position:

- Attorney-at-law;
- President of the Supreme Bar Council of Bulgaria;
- Founder and Managing Partner of Simeonov & Dermendjiev Law Firm, specializing in litigation and arbitration;
- Chartered Arbitrator at the Arbitration Court at the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;
- Member of the Presidium of the Arbitration Court at the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;
- Chartered arbitrator in the list of arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration for Sport /CAS/, Lausanne /Switzerland/;
- Lecturer in International Commercial Arbitration at Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria;
- Honorary Consul of the Republic of Kenya in Bulgaria.

5. Education:

- Doctor-of-law in Private International Law - Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria, Law faculty, Department of International Law and International Relations;
- Diploma "Introduction to English Law and the Law of the European Union" - University of Cambridge, UK;
- Master-of-law, Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski, Bulgaria, Law faculty.

6. Practiced experience in arbitration

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

I have participated in a total of over 380 domestic (under the Rules of the BCCI – over 300 cases in total) and international (under the Rules of the LCIA, ICC, BCCI, ICSID, ICDR, CAS, SCAI, UNCITRAL – over 80 cases in total) arbitrations, both as counsel and as arbitrator.

- How often have you acted as Chairman?

I have acted as Chairman of the arbitral tribunal in around 30% of the cases I have arbitrated.

- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?

I have acted as Sole Arbitrator in around 40% of the cases I have arbitrated.

- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?

I have acted as Co-Arbitrator in around 30% of the cases I have arbitrated.

- How often have you acted as Counsel?

I have participated as lead counsel in over 200 arbitrations, including over 40 ICC arbitrations, as well as in multiple LCIA, ICDR, ICSID, CAS, SCAI, BCCI and *ad hoc* arbitral proceedings.

- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?

I have never acted as Administrative Secretary but have been appointed as Expert Witness in around 30 arbitrations.

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

- Recent publications and interviews can be found at the following address: http://www.sd-legal.com/en_EN/news.html;
- Magazine "DealMakers", UK - Arbitration, Litigation and Dispute Resolution, 2011;
- Issue 7, 2011, "Legal World", Sofia - "Changes in the French procedural law provide a strong new beginning for international arbitration";
- Issue 4, 2009, "Lawyers Review", Sofia - "The arbitration in the community law and the practice of the Court of Justice of the European Communities";
- Issue 5-6, 2004, "Lawyers Review", Sofia - "Objections against jurisdiction, bad administering, bias, judicial intervention in Arbitration";
- Speaker of the Congress of the London Court of Arbitration on Jurisdiction, enforcement and challenge procedures in the countries of Eastern Europe - published in the Proceedings of the International Court of Arbitration – London, 2003.

I also teach a course on International Commercial Arbitration to graduate students at Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski (Bulgaria), as well as multiple seminars on both international and domestic arbitration at the Arbitration Court at the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

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

- Chartered arbitrator in the list of arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS), Lausanne, Switzerland;
- Member of the Executive Council and of the Presidium of the Arbitration Court at the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;
- Chartered Arbitrator at the Arbitration Court at the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry;

- Member of the London International Court of Arbitration (LCIA).

9. Languages

Mother tongue: **Bulgarian**

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 / Russian**

10. In which legal systems have you trained?

- Civil Law Common Law
 Austrian Law Hungarian Law Swiss Law
 Czech Law Polish Law Ukrainian Law
 German Law Slovakian Law European Law

Other _____Bulgarian law_____

11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?

Bulgaria

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

Bulgaria

13. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):

- Antitrust/Unfair competition Damages Insolvency Power plants
 Aviation Distribution Insurance Private Intern. Law
 Banking & Finance Domain name disputes Intellect. property (IP)
 Public Intern. Law
 Capital markets Employment ISDS/ Foreign invest. Real estate
 CISG Energy Joint ventures Shipping
 Civil fraud disputes Engineering Licensing Sports
 Commercial disp. / transactions Entertainment Life sciences State/Public contracts
 Commodity market Healthcare & Pharmac. Maritime arbitration
 Technology
 Company/Corporate/M&A Hotel/Gastro./Tour. Media Telecommunication
 Construction Inform. technology (IT) Mining Transport
 Contract law Infrastructure Natural resources
 Other _____

14. Date of birth: 07.11.1962

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

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