

VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. **Current position:**

Counsel

5. **Education:**

Central European University, Budapest, Hungary

- *Master of Laws in International Business Law, with Merits, June 2016*
- *Master Thesis: Investment status of sovereign bonds: recent developments in the case law of ICSID*

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, Belgrade, Serbia

- *Master of Laws in European Integration, September 2013*
- *Master Thesis: Direct Effect and Supremacy of the EU Law*

University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law, Belgrade, Serbia

- *Bachelor degree, focus: Business Law*

6. **Practiced experience in arbitration**

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

8 international

ICSID rules, ICC rules, UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules and Arbitration Rules of the Milan Chamber of Commerce

- How often have you acted as Chairman?

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- How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?

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- How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?

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- How often have you acted as Counsel?

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

Expert witness – 1

Secretary to the Tribunal - 1

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

- Member of National selection committee for Western Balkans Arbitration Writing Competition, 2022;
- Lecturer at the International University of Sarajevo Summer School of International Arbitration, September 2021;
- Costs of the arbitration proceedings, Branik journal - journal for legal theory and practice of the Serbian Bar Association, 2021 (co – authored with Nenad Kovacevic);
- Mentee in YOUNG ICCA Mentoring Program 2018/2019;
- International Academy for Arbitration Law, Paris, 2016.

Some of the selected conferences:

- Host of the *co – chair circle retreat* gathering 40 eminent worldwide arbitration practitioners, aged under 40, June 2023;
- Moderator at the Belgrade conference on Law and Innovations on class actions, December 2022;
- Moderator at the international panel on Third Party Funding in arbitration, June 2022;
- Speaker at the Belgrade Law Conference on arbitration, April 2022;
- Trainer at the virtual training on cross examination organized by PwC Czech Republic and ICC Croatia, March 2022;
- Organizer of around 20 different seminars, webinars and panels on arbitration;
- Recognized by Chambers & Partners in band 3 in the dispute resolution section, 2022 and 2023;
- Recognized by Legal 500 as a rising star in the dispute resolution section, in 2021, 2022, and 2023;
- Recognized by Who is Who legal – future leader, non-partner for 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.

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

- Arbitration Association, Serbia, 2017 - pending;
- Co - chair of the Under 40 section of Arbitration Association, Serbia, 2018 – 2023;

- ArbCEE – 2023 – pending;

9. Languages

Mother tongue:

Serbian

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):

Montenegrin

Bosnian

Croatian

English

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 Serbian law

11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice?

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

Serbian

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

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

14. Date of birth: 11 January 1988

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Date