

VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. **Current position:** Partner / Managing Director

5. **Education:** Please see attached CV

6. **Practiced experience in arbitration**

- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?
More than 40 (VIAC, ICC, LCIA, SCC and DIS)
- 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?
More than 15
- How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?
More than 15

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

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

Please see attached CV

9. **Languages**

Mother tongue: German

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 and French

10. In which legal system have you trained? German, French

11. What is your main jurisdiction of practice? Germany

12. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of three):

International trade (incl. CISG), international construction (incl. offshore) and post-M&A

13. Date of birth: 10.04.1979

I have completed this questionnaire to the above to the best of my knowledge and believe they are accurate. I understand that the above information will be used for VIAC's internal use and may be given to interested persons and may be put on VIAC's website.

17.03.2017



Date and signature

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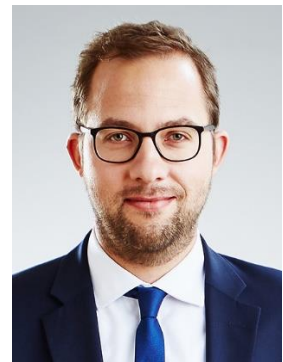
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Experience in Arbitration and Litigation:

As Arbitrator

- Chairman, Sole Arbitrator and Party-Appointed Arbitrator in domestic and international ICC, DIS and *ad hoc* arbitration proceedings

As Counsel in arbitral proceedings

- Representation of domestic and foreign companies in ICC, DIS, SCC and LCIA as well as in *ad hoc* arbitration proceedings

As Counsel in state court proceedings

- Representation of domestic and foreign companies before German courts (*i.a.* enforcement of arbitral awards and follow-on clauses)
- Co-counsel and expert arrangements for domestic and foreign companies as well as law firms

Areas of Specialization:

- International trade, transport, construction, energy (in particular, on and offshore wind energy), infrastructure and post-M&A
- International contract law, commercial and corporate law, sales law (*i.a.* CISG), construction law and transport and distribution law, energy law, antitrust law
- International private law, law of international civil procedure and comparative law

Languages:

German, English, French and Spanish

Employment and Education:

- **Since 2011** Hanefeld Rechtsanwälte, Hamburg
- **2009 – 2011** CMS Hasche Sigle, Munich
- **2007 – 2009** Legal traineeship including work experience with the ICC International Court of Arbitration in Paris, France, Hengeler Mueller in Berlin and the German Embassy in Cambodia
- **2005 – 2007** Doctor of Laws (*Dr. iur.*) and Research and teaching assistant at the Institute for Foreign and International Private Law, University of Freiburg, Germany
- **1999 – 2005** University of Freiburg and University of Grenoble

Academic Appointments:

- Visiting Professor for International Arbitration and CISG at the Albert-Ludwigs-University of Freiburg, the Humboldt-University of Berlin and the EBS-Law School
- Co-founder of the International Dispute Resolution Master at the Humboldt-University of Berlin

Speeches (selection):

- Energy disputes, ICC YAF, Düsseldorf (2017)
- Arbitrators' unconscious bias, Vienna (2016)
- Arbitration in Berlin – quo vadis, Berlin (2016)
- Arbitrating East-West Disputes in the Time of Sanctions, Helsinki (2016)
- YIAG meets VIS, Vienna (2016)
- Damages under the CISG, Hannover (2016)
- Challenges for a new generation of arbitrators, Frankfurt (2015)
- Independence and impartiality – the new IBA Guidelines, Copenhagen (2015)
- Arbitral activism v impartiality, Kiev Arbitration Days (2015)
- Emergency arbitrators – success stories and challenges, Cologne (2015)
- LCIA/YIAG - Tylney Hall, London (2015)
- International Arbitration, YAAP Roundtable, Vienna (2014)
- Counsel ethics in international arbitration, Istanbul (2014)

- Europe Hall Debate, ICC YAF, Rome (2014)
- Arbitrability of corporate law disputes, Russian Arbitration Days, Moscow (2014)
- Arbitrability & Project Finance, Riga (2013)
- The empty chair – arbitrating against absent Respondents, Geneva (2013)
- CISG & Arbitration, Paris (2013)
- Evidence in international arbitration, Warsaw (2013)
- Sport Arbitration, Frankfurt (2013)
- Investment Arbitration – the German experience, Auckland (2012)
- The use of experts in international arbitration, Wellington (2012)

Publications (selection):

- Specific Performance, Damages and Avoidance under the CISG, Mohr Siebeck, 2007 (doctoral thesis) (sponsored by the German National Academic Foundation)
- Commentaries on the CISG in the leading German online commentary (Beck-Online) (Articles 25-27 and 71-73) as well as in a Swiss commentary (Articles 74-77) (2016)
- Commentary on the 2012 ICC Rules and the 1998 DIS Rules (2013)
- Enforcement of international arbitral awards in Germany, Practice Note (2015)
- Expert Teaming – Bridging the Divide Between Party-Appointed and Tribunal-Appointed Experts, VU of Wellington Law Review, Vol. 43, No. 4 (2012), p. 653 *et seq.*
- Applicable Law in arbitration proceedings in Germany, SchiedsVZ (2011), p. 267 *et seq.*
- Expert evidence under the 2010 IBA Rules, International Arbitration Law Review, Vol. 13, No. 5 (2010), p. 216 *et seq.*
- Settlement Efforts in Arbitration, Revista de Arbitragem e Mediação No. 25 (2010), p. 161 *et seq.*
- Diverging Concepts of the Principle of Competence-Competence, New Developments in International Commercial Arbitration (2010), p. 1 *et seq.*
- Experts – Neutrals or Advocates, ICCA Congress Series No. 15 (2010), p. 135 *et seq.*
- Introduction to the law of arbitration, JURA (2010), p. 520 *et seq.*
- Recoverability of frustrated expenses in case of restitution due to a breach of contract under the CISG, IHR (2006), p. 67 *et seq.*

Rankings, peer quotes & memberships (selection):

- Named as “He is going to be a big big star, he is incredibly good” (Who's Who Legal “Arbitration – Future Leader”)
- Named as “shooting star” of the German arbitration scene in the JUVE-Handbook 2015/2016 (<http://www.juve.de/handbuch/de/2016/eintrag/13588>)
- Named as “one of the most promising young German arbitration lawyers” in Global Arbitration Review
- Recommended in The Legal 500 Germany 2016

- Regional Coordinator Europe & Russia ICC Young Arbitrators Forum (YAF)
- Ex Regional Coordinator Berlin German Institute of Arbitration (DIS40)
- Ex Regional Coordinator Europe LCIA Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG)
- Groupe ASA des Jeunes Praticiens de l'Arbitrage (ASA Below 40)
- Young Austrian Arbitration Practitioners (YAAP)