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PERSONAL DATA

Nationality: German

QUALIFICATIONS

LL.M. (Master of Laws)

University College London, University of London, 1998

Germany

First State Exam, Freie Universität Berlin, 1997

Second State Exam, Rechtsanwältin (qualified to practice since November 2000)

England and Wales

Solicitor (qualified to practice since June 2003)

EXPERIENCE

Oct 2018 – present Independent Arbitrator, Hoffmann Arbitration, Dubai

Jan 2017 – Sep 2018 Legal Director at Clyde & Co, Dubai

Jun 2013 – Jun 2016 Special Counsel at Al Tamimi & Company, Dubai

Apr 2005 – May 2013 Associate and Partner (from 2011) at Python & Peter, Geneva

Jan 2003 – Mar 2005 Worked as assistant at the Bar in London, especially for VV Veeder, QC and Alan Redfern

Nov 2000 - Dec 2002 Associate at Coudert Brothers, London

REPRESENTATIVE CASES AS ARBITRATOR

Commercial Arbitration

- UAE company v. UAE company, dispute arises out of constructions project, DIAC Rules, UAE law (Chair)
- US company v. CIS State, dispute concerns financial instruments, LCIA Rules, English law (Co-arbitrator)
- Singaporean company v. two Indonesian entities, dispute arises from an agreement concerning the sale of coal and related guarantee, SIAC Rules, Singaporean law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Maltese entity v. Dutch company, dispute concerns interests arising out of a sale and purchase agreement, HKIAC Rules, English law (Co-arbitrator)
- Kazakh, Belorussian and Azerbaijani company v. Russian company, HKIAC Rules on Emergency Arbitration, English law (Emergency Arbitrator)
- German company v. Saudi company, dispute relates to a service agreement concerning medical laboratory services, DIS Rules, German law (Co-arbitrator)
- Swedish company v. two Saudi companies, dispute arises out of a distribution agreement in the medical sector, SCC Rules, Swedish law (Co-arbitrator)
- Swiss company v. UAE company, dispute relates to a payment guarantee issued in the context of a design and construction project, DIAC Rules, DIFC law (Sole Arbitrator)

- Swedish company v. Russian company, dispute arises out of a license agreement in the telecommunications sector, SCC Rules, Swedish law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Cypriot company v. US company, dispute concerns obligations under a loan agreement, HKIAC Rules, English law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Croatian company v. Russian company, dispute arises out of a contract for the sale and purchase of gas, ICC Rules, Austrian law (Co-arbitrator)
- Korean company v. Chinese company, dispute arises out of a payment guarantee, KCAB Rules, Korean law (Co-arbitrator)
- Swiss company v. Irish company, dispute concerns the suspension and termination of several long-term contracts for the supply of coal, ICC Rules, English law (Co-arbitrator)
- UK company v. UAE company, dispute arises out of a franchise agreement, DIAC Rules, DIFC law (Sole Arbitrator)
- UAE/Indian company v. UAE company, dispute arises out of a sale purchase agreement in the real estate sector, DIAC Rules, UAE law (Co-arbitrator)
- Austrian company v. English company, dispute arises out of agreements concerning the purchase of plastic materials, SCC Rules, English law (Chair)
- Swiss company v. Bulgarian company, dispute arising out of a coal supply agreement, SCC Rules, English Law (Chair)
- Turkish company v. Afghani company, dispute concerns substation construction project, SIAC Rules, Afghani Law (Chair)
- UAE entity v. UAE entity, dispute arises out of a partnership agreement, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Chair)
- Gibraltar company v. Swiss company, dispute concerns oil delivery agreement, LCIA Rules, English Law (Co-arbitrator)
- UAE company v. UAE company, dispute arises out of a construction project, UNCITRAL Rules (ad hoc), UAE Law (Co-arbitrator)
- Saudi Arabian company v. BVI, Maltese and Egyptian companies, dispute concerns the financing of a large infrastructure project, CRCICA Rules, English Law (Co-arbitrator)
- Saudi Arabian company v. Chinese/ Saudi company, dispute arises out of a power project, LCAM Rules, Law of Saudi Arabia (Co-arbitrator)
- UAE/Chinese company v. UAE company, dispute concerns feasibility study for infrastructure project, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Chair)
- Azerbaijani entity v. Austrian and Jersey entities, dispute arises out of a service agreement, VIAC Rules, Austrian Law (Chair)
- UAE company v. Iranian company, dispute arising out of a cooperation agreement, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- UK company and Hong Kong company v. UAE company, dispute arising out of a sales contract relating to chemicals, SCC Rules, The United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG) (Chair)
- UK entity v. UAE company, dispute arising out of a share purchase agreement in the property development sector, DIFC-LCIA Rules, DIFC Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Qatari entity v. Qatari company, dispute arising out of a lease agreement, ad hoc, Qatari Law (Chair)
- BVI entity v. three UAE entities, dispute arising out of management agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, DIFC Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- UK company and two UAE companies v. UAE company, dispute arising out of share sale and purchase agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, DIFC Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Russian company v. Hong Kong company, dispute arising out of a sale and purchase agreement concerning maritime goods, HKIAC Rules (Expedited Procedure), Laws of England & Wales / Russian Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- UAE entity v. UAE entity, dispute arising out of a construction contract, ADDCAC Rules, UAE Law (Co-arbitrator)
- BVI company v. UAE company, dispute arising out of a loan agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, Laws of England & Wales (Co-arbitrator)

- Indian entity (DIFC branch) v. UAE entity, dispute arising from a credit facility agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, Laws of England & Wales (Co-arbitrator)
- Malaysian entity v. Singaporean entity, dispute arising from a supply agreement, ad hoc, Malaysian law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Indian claimant v. Panama respondent, dispute arising from a share purchase agreement, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Chair)
- UAE claimants v. Japanese respondent, dispute arising from a shareholder agreement in the automotive industry, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Chair)
- UAE entity v. Indonesian entities, dispute arising from a coal sale purchase agreement, SIAC Rules (Expedited Procedure), Law of England & Wales (Sole Arbitrator)
- UAE claimant v. UAE respondent, dispute arising out of a lease agreement, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Chair)
- American and UAE claimants v. BVI and UAE respondents, dispute arising out of an option repurchase agreement in the hospitality sector, DIFC-LCIA Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- UAE company v. Saudi Arabian company, dispute arising out of two licensing/franchising agreements, LCIA Rules, Kuwaiti and Bahraini Law (Chair)
- Omani claimant v. UAE respondent, dispute arising from shareholder agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Omani claimant v. UAE respondent, dispute arising from share purchase agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Saudi Arabian company v. UAE company, dispute arising from distribution agreement, ICC Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Indian claimant v. American respondent, dispute arising out of a partnership agreement in the hospitality sector, DIFC-LCIA Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- US American claimant v. UAE companies, dispute arising from a joint venture agreement, DIFC-LCIA Rules, UAE Law (Co-arbitrator)
- Russian claimant v. UAE respondent, dispute arising from a property contract, DIAC Rules, UAE Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- UAE company v. two Belorussian companies, dispute arising from an oil delivery contract, LCIA Rules, Law of England & Wales (Co-arbitrator in two parallel proceedings)
- Turkish company v. Tunisian company, dispute arising from steel sales contract, Swiss Rules (Expedited Procedure), Swiss Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Belorussian company v. Italian company, delivery and installation agreement, Swiss Rules, Swiss Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Swiss company v. US corporation, sales contract, ICC Rules, Swiss Rules, Swiss Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- French company v. Saudi Arabian company, dispute arising out of a design and management services agreement concerning the construction and restructuring of a shopping centre, ICC Rules, Swiss Law (Sole Arbitrator)
- Turkish company v. Ministry of Education of a Central Asian State, contractual dispute arising from a sales contract, UNCITRAL Rules, Swiss Law (Chair)
- Russian company v. Irish company, contractual dispute in the telecommunications sector, ad hoc, Swiss Law (Chair)
- Hong Kong corporation v. Ukrainian company, delivery of telecommunication equipment, DIS Rules, German Law (Chair)

Investment Treaty Arbitration

- Dutch & Swedish investors v. Eastern European State, dispute concerns investment in the energy sector, BITs, UNCITRAL (Co-arbitrator appointed by respondent State)
- Eastern European investors v. European State, mining dispute, BIT, UNCITRAL (Co-arbitrator appointed by claimants)
- Japanese investor v. Spain, (ICSID Case No. ARB/16/4), dispute arising under the Energy Charter Treaty, ICSID Rules (Presiding Arbitrator)

- English/ US investors v. Kazakhstan (ICSID Case No. ARB/15/13), dispute arising under the UK/US – Kazakhstan BITs, ICSID Rules (Co-arbitrator appointed by claimants)

REPRESENTATIVE CASES AS COUNSEL

- representing Claimant in ICC gas price adjustment dispute
- representing Dutch investor in UNCITRAL BIT arbitration against North African State
- representing Claimant in UNCITRAL proceedings concerning contracts in support of activities of an international organization
- representing Claimant in DIAC proceedings concerning property development dispute
- representing Claimant in ad hoc, PCA administered, proceedings concerning construction project
- representing Claimant in GCC Arbitration Centre proceedings concerning failed joint venture
- representing Claimant in DIAC proceedings against developer
- representing Dutch investor in UNCITRAL BIT proceedings against Eastern European State
- representing German investor in UNCITRAL BIT arbitration against Eastern European State
- representing American investor in ICSID proceedings against Central Asian State
- representing Claimant in ICC arbitration between shareholders in Iraqi company
- representing Respondent in ad hoc arbitration in Russia between two telecommunication companies
- representing Claimant in major ICC arbitration regarding oil terminal in Eastern Europe
- representing Respondent in ICC arbitration between two telecommunication companies
- representing Claimant in large ICC arbitration between two major European telecommunication companies

LANGUAGES

English, German, Russian, French

SPECIAL PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES/ ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2011 – 2021 - Visiting Lecturer at Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany
- Panel of Arbitrators of SIAC, HKIAC, AIAC, KCAB and ArbitrateAD
- Member of SIAC Users Council
- Member of the Middle East Sub-Committee of the Equal Representation in Arbitration Pledge
- Member of the MENA Sub-Committee of the Greener Arbitrations Campaign (until December 2023)
- Chair of the Advisory Committee of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)
- recommended by Who is Who Legal as a Global Leader in arbitration consistently since 2014, and since 2024 as a Global Elite Thought Leader
- recommended by Who is Who Thought Leaders in Arbitration (since 2024)
- listed by Chambers Global as “Most in Demand Arbitrator”
- listed in The Legal 500 Arbitration Powerlist Middle East
- Mentor in the Young ICCA Mentoring Programme 2024/25

PUBLIC SPEAKING

- 28 June 2024 – Speaker at seminar organized by the National Board of Trade Sweden on “Investment treaty claims in respect of sanctions”, Stockholm

- 6 – 9 June 2024 – Participating in the 12th CILS Biennial Arbitration Symposium, Salzburg
- 25 April 2024 – Speaker at the Civil Law Conference - Change of circumstances and the contract in civil law: flexibility or uncertainty? Pacta sunt servanda: is the contract always the law of the parties?", Abu Dhabi
- 26 February 2024 – Speaker at the ICC Institute of World Business Law Advanced Training on Documentary Evidence: Reassessing its role and value in international commercial arbitration – Focusing on critical key issues of M&A and construction disputes, Dubai
- 22 February 2024 - Speaker at the AAA-ICDR event on “ICDR Technology, Life Sciences and IP Survey Recommendations: Exploring the Survey Results, Recommendations and Insights”, Singapore
- 14 November 2023 – Speaker at event during Dubai Arbitration Week on “Evidence and Cross-examination in International Arbitration”, Dubai
- 12 October 2023 – Speaker at the South-Eastern Europe Arbitration Conference on “Ask the Arbitrator”, Vienna
- 31 August 2023 – Speaker at event of the Swedish Women in Arbitration (SWAN) on issues regarding appointments as arbitrator, Stockholm
- 8 March 2023 – Speaker at the Annual IPBA Conference on The Present and Future of International Climate Change Litigations, Dubai
- 7 March 2023 – Speaker at SIAC/ADGM Arbitration Conference 2023 on Global Developments and Trends in International Construction Arbitration, Abu Dhabi
- 28 February 2023 – Speaker at Naschitz Brandes Amir Law Firm / Tel Aviv Arbitration Week event on Navigating damage calculation through global turbulence”, Dubai
- 25 January 2023 – Speaker at GAR Live on This house believes that post-covid in-person main hearings will again become the norm”, Abu Dhabi
- 25 November 2022 – Speaker at CEPANI Colloquium Default in International Arbitration – Striking the balance” on the topic Iura Novit Arbitrator”, Brussels
- 17 November 2022 – Speaker at Reed Smith / Dubai Arbitration Week event on Is Regional Arbitration Fit For Purpose?”, Dubai
- 16 November 2022 – Speaker at GAR Live on This house believes that arbitration should apply a binding doctrine of precedent”, Dubai
- 15 November 2022 – Speaker at Masin / Dubai Arbitration Week event on The Great Delay Debate in Construction Arbitrations”, Dubai
- 8 November 2022 – Speaker at SIAC/ SCL Korea Seminar on Global Construction Projects – Understanding Emerging Markets and Revisiting Dispute Resolution Methods”, Seoul
- 18 October 2022 – Speaker at ICC UAE/ CIArb Seminar on International Challenges in Investment Arbitration”, Dubai
- 13 October 2022 – Speaker at Arbitral Women/ Istanbul Arbitration Week on Arbitration and Human Rights”, Istanbul
- 7 October 2022 – Speaker at Asia ADR Week on Playing Solomon: A Temptation to be Resisted?”, online
- 9 February 2022 – Speaker at GAR Live on Perfecting Persuasion – Advanced Advocacy”, Abu Dhabi
- 23 September 2021 – Speaker at Paris Arbitration Week on The impact of the BRI on dispute resolution in emerging markets”, online
- 26 August 2021 – Speaker at the ELSA Athens Summer Law School on International Investment Law on Counterclaims in Investment Arbitration, online
- 19 August 2021 – Speaker at ASIA ADR Week on Quo Vadis, Malaysia? Revisiting Third Party Funding”, online
- 8 April 2021 – Speaker at the launch event of the Equal Representation in Arbitration Pledge Middle East Subcommittee on How to make it as a female arbitrator in the Middle East”, online
- 7/8 April 2021 – Speaker at SIAC Middle East Academy on Theory and Practice of Emergency Arbitration”, online

- 8 March 2021 – Guest speaker at CRCICA webinar on “The New World of Arbitration – Lessons for Counsel and Arbitrators from the Past Year”, online
- 17 November 2020 – Moderator at GAR Interactive Dubai of a discussion on “Achieving full diversity and inclusion”, online
- 10 November 2020 – Speaker at ADGM Arbitration Community Check-in – “The status of arbitration in the current environment”, online
- 8 October 2020 – Speaker at GAR Interactive Moscow on “This house believes that judges or arbitrators should be more critical of counsel and experts in awards”, online
- 20 August 2020 – Speaker at the ELSA Athens Summer Law School on International Investment Law on Counterclaims in Investment Arbitration, online
- 5 February 2020 – Speaker at SIAC/ADGM Arbitration Conference on “Saving Time and Costs under the SIAC Rules – Expedited Procedure, Emergency Arbitrator, Early Dismissal”, Abu Dhabi
- 5 February 2020 – arbitrator in mock cross examination during YSIAC Workshop on Oral Advocacy, Abu Dhabi
- 28 January 2020 – Speaker at GAR Live on “This House believes that the erosion of arbitral immunity is to invite the guerrilla into the room”, Abu Dhabi
- 18 November 2019 – Speaker at the 2019 International Arbitration Conference on “Around the globe in 60 minutes: hot topics in international arbitration”, Brisbane
- 26 September 2019 – Chair of the 6th Annual International Arbitration and Regulatory Global Summit Turkey & Middle East, Istanbul
- 28 May 2019 – Speaker at GAR Live on the topic “Arbitral Institutions – what does value for money mean for users”, Frankfurt
- 23 November 2018 – Speaker at the 2nd International Conference of the Libyan International Arbitration Centre on “Counterclaims in Investment Arbitration”, Tunis
- 18 November 2018 – Speaker during the BCDR-AAA/ SCC Joint Conference on Salient Issues in Investment Arbitration, Bahrain
- 15 November 2018 – Speaker at GAR Live on the topic of “AI in IA”, Dubai
- 27 September 2017 – Speaker during 4th International Arbitration Summit on “Protecting Investments through Bilateral Investment Treaties”, Istanbul
- 15 June 2017 – Speaker at GAR Live on issues of third-party funding, Istanbul
- 4 April 2017 – Speaker during ICC MENA Conference on “Parallel proceedings, tactics and remedies: Overview of available options, prevailing practices and anti-suit injunctions”, Dubai
- 24 February 2016, Lecture on “Counterclaims in Investment Arbitration” at law school of McGill University, Montreal
- 23 February 2016, Speaker at McGill Journal of Dispute Resolution Symposium on expert evidence in international arbitration, Montreal
- 10 December 2015 – Speaker at BCDR-AAA/ BIICL International Investment Arbitration Conference Bahrain, on “What next for the MENA Region and Investment Treaties – are Arab States being left behind?”, Manama
- 20 November 2014 – Speaker during GAR Live on “Investment Arbitration – is the Middle East heading the way of Latin America?”, Dubai
- 19 November 2014 – Speaker at the Young ICCA Workshop (“Strategy Considerations in International Arbitration in the Middle East”) and the MENA Young Arbitrators Conference (“Investment Arbitration in the Middle East”), Dubai
- 22 May 2014 – Speaker on Investment Arbitration during the first Madrid Arbitration Day
- 29 October 2013 – Speaker during CI Arb Young Group’s seminar, Dubai
- 18 October 2013 – Chair of panel during ABA fall meeting on “Abuses in International Arbitration”, London
- 12 June 2012 – Rapporteur at the ICCA Congress on “Evidence, Document Production, Witnesses, Experts and Hearings”, Singapore

- 17 November 2011 – Speaker at Kyiv Arbitration Days 2011 on “Document Production – abuse and how much is too much?”
- 29 March 2011 – Guest Lecture on investment arbitration at King’s College London before the Master Class of International Arbitration 2010/ 2011, London
- 3 March 2011 – Roundtable Talk at the Faculty of International Law at the University of Vienna on “What is an investment? – Recent developments on this issue in international investment law”
- 30 April 2010 – speaker at the Juris Conference on “Investment Arbitration in the Asia – Pacific Region”, Washington DC
- 1/2 April 2009 – speaker at the ITA-CANACO Americas Workshop, Mexico City
- 18/19 June 2008 – speaker at roundtable talk on “Interest and Cost in Arbitration” as well as at the ITA Annual Workshop on “Damages in International Arbitration”, Dallas
- 14/15 May 2008 – speaker at conference on “Investment Treaties and Investor-State Dispute Settlement: Emerging Issues and Challenges for Arab Countries” (jointly organised by UNCTAD/CRCICA), Cairo
- 7 March 2008 – organiser of and speaker at conference on “Protection of Investments through Modern Treaty Arbitration – Diversity and Harmonisation”, Zurich
- 21 September 2007 – speaker at conference on “Substantive Standards of Protection in Investment Arbitration”, Vienna
- 29 September 2006 – moderator at the annual seminar of ASA below 40, Zurich
- 6 October 2004 – chairing panel on Arbitration during the annual meeting of the European Branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Vilnius, Lithuania

PUBLICATIONS

- Duty of Disclosure and Challenge of Arbitrators: The Standard Applicable Under the New IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest and the German Approach, 21(3) *Arb. Int'l* 427 (2005)
- Counterclaims by the Respondent State in Investment Arbitrations – The Award on Jurisdiction over Respondent’s Counterclaim in *Saluka Investments B.V. v Czech Republic*, 6 *SchiedsVZ*, 317 (2006)
- Book review on “International Investment, Political Risk and Dispute Resolution: a Practitioner’s Guide” by Noah Rubins and Stephan Kinsella, 23(3) *Arbitration International*, 518 (2007)
- The investor’s right to waive access to protection under a bilateral investment treaty, 22(1) *ICSID Review – Foreign Investment Law Journal*, 69 (2007)
- Indirect Expropriation, in: *Substantive Standards of Investment Protection* (ed. A. Reinisch), Oxford University Press (2008);
- The Relationship between International Tribunals and Domestic Courts (co-authored with J. van Harsoelte – van Hof), in: *The Oxford Handbook of International Investment Law* (2008)
- Protection of Investments through Modern Treaty Arbitration – Diversity and Harmonisation, *ASA Special Bulletin* edited by Anne K. Hoffmann, May 2010
- Modern Forms of Expropriation, in: *Protection of Investments through Modern Treaty Arbitration – Diversity and Harmonisation* (ed. Anne K. Hoffmann), *ASA Special Bulletin*, May 2010
- Public policy versus private interest - has balance been maintained in investment protections in the Asia-Pacific region? in: *Investment Treaty Arbitration and International Law - Volume 4*, Ian A. Laird, Todd J. Weiler, Nina Mocheva (editors), *Juris* 2012
- Counterclaims in Investment Arbitration, 28(2) *ICSID Review – Foreign Investment Law Journal*, 438 (2013)
- Selection and Appointment of Arbitrators, in: *Arbitration in Switzerland – The Practitioner’s Guide* (ed. Manuel Arroyo), Kluwer 2013 (first edition); 2018 (second edition)
- Denial of Benefits, in: *International Investment Law – A Handbook* (ed. M. Bungenberg, J. Griebel, S. Hobe, A. Reinisch), C.H. Beck-Hart-Nomos, 2015

- Counterclaims, in: *Building International Investment Law - The First 50 Years of ICSID*, (ed. M. Kinnear, G. Fischer, J. Miguez Almeida, L. F. Torres, M. Uran Bidegain), Kluwer, 2016
- Middle Eastern Investors as Claimants in Investment Treaty Arbitrations, in: (2016) 3 BCDR International Arbitration Review, 389, Issue 2
- The New Arbitration Law of the United Arab Emirates – Two steps forward?, in: 3 SchiedsVZ, 126 (2019)
- Country Update: United Arab Emirates, in: *Asian Dispute Resolution*, October 2020, 179
- Iura Novit Arbitrator, in: *Default in International Arbitration – Striking the balance*, Reports from the CEPANI Colloquium held on 25 November 2022 (ed. Dirk De Meulemeester), Wolters Kluwer 2022, 109
- Awards, Orders and Deliberations, in: *MENA Leading Arbitrators' Guide to International Arbitration* (ed. G. Blanke, S. Corm-Bakhos, N. Comair-Obeid), Juris, 2023