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Oliver Cojo is a partner at Arias SLP. He has 10 years of experience in the practice of arbitration.

Oliver has acted as arbitrator, as counsel and as tribunal assistant in more than 50 cases in venues across Europe, the Americas and the Middle East, administered by the main arbitral institutions (ICC, LCIA, ICSID and SCC, among others). He also has experience in court proceedings related to arbitration.

He is ranked as an arbitration lawyer in leading international legal publications and directories including Who's Who Legal and Legal 500.

Oliver was co-chair of the young practitioners group of the Spanish Arbitration Club (CEA-40) between 2019 and 2020. He was also an assistant to the Subcommittee on Conflicts of Interest that published the 2014 IBA Guidelines on Conflicts of Interest in International Arbitration.

He is a professor of arbitration at IE University. He holds a degree in Law and Business Management from University of Valladolid. He also holds an LL.M. from Maastricht University. Oliver was admitted to the Madrid Bar Association in 2013.

He speaks Spanish and English.

## **Representative matters as arbitrator**

- Sole arbitrator in a dispute between two companies in relation to a credit insurance policy (Spanish Court of Arbitration, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Emergency arbitrator in a dispute between two companies in relation to a franchise agreement concerning an establishment in the Madrid region of Spain (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Emergency arbitrator in a dispute between two companies in relation to a franchise agreement concerning an establishment in the Asturias region of Spain (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Presiding arbitrator in a dispute between a company and a bank in relation to a loan agreement (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Sole arbitrator in a dispute between two companies in relation to a services contract for the optimization of costs (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Sole arbitrator in a dispute between two individuals in relation to a lease agreement (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)

## **Representative matters as tribunal assistant**

- Administrative secretary in a dispute between two Latin American companies arising from an EPC Contract for the rehabilitation of a highway in a Latin American country (ICC, Miami, law of the Latin American country, English)

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- Administrative secretary in a dispute between two European companies arising from an agreement for the sale of certain plots of land (SCC, Stockholm, Spanish law, English)
- Tribunal assistant in a dispute between two European companies arising from a distribution agreement (LCIA, London, law of a European State, English)
- Tribunal assistant in a dispute between an Australian company and a Caribbean State arising from an alleged failure to provide site to store waste material (ICSID, Washington D.C., law of the Caribbean State, English and Spanish)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute amongst several companies from America and Europe arising from various contracts entered into in relation to a renewable energy infrastructure in a Latin American country (ICC, Mexico City, law of a Latin American State, English)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute amongst several Latin American companies on the alleged breach of various contracts for the construction of a hydroelectric plant (ICC, Lima, Peruvian law, Spanish)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute amongst several companies from America and Europe arising from various contracts for the construction, operation and maintenance of a renewable energy infrastructure in a Latin American country (ICC, Mexico City, law of a Latin American State, Spanish)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute between two Latin American companies arising from a shareholders' agreement (ICC, Miami, Mexican law, English)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute involving various parties arising from a share purchase agreement (CIMA, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Assistant to the presiding arbitrator in a dispute involving Latin American and European parties arising from various framework contracts for the design and construction of infrastructures in a Latin American State (CAC-CCB, Bogota, law of a Latin American State, Spanish)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute involving various parties arising from a restructuring agreement (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, English)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute involving two European companies over the coverage of an insurance policy (ad hoc, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Administrative secretary in a dispute involving two European companies arising from two memoranda of understanding for the development of a project in the concrete business (ICAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Tribunal assistant in a dispute involving two Latin American companies in relation to a contract for the replacement of various compressors installed in a marine terminal (ICC, City of Mexico, Mexican law, Spanish)
- Tribunal assistant in a dispute involving four European companies and four Latin American companies in relation to the construction of two wind farms in a Latin American country (ICC, Paris, Spanish law, Spanish)

## Representative matters as counsel

- Representing a Chilean construction company in an arbitration against a Peruvian public body in relation to a dispute arising from a road construction agreement (ICC, Panama City, Peruvian law, Spanish)
- Representing a Colombian infrastructure concession company in an arbitration against a Spanish construction company in relation to a dispute arising from an EPC contract for the construction of a highway (ICC, Madrid, Colombian law, Spanish)
- Advising a Middle East company in a dispute against another Middle East company arising from a water infrastructure in a Middle East State (ICC, capital of that State, law of a that State, English)
- Advising a Spanish company in a dispute against another Spanish company arising from an EPC contract for the construction of a power plant in a Latin American State (ICC, capital of that State, law of a that State, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish company in an arbitration against another Spanish company in the renewable energy industry in relation to a dispute arising from the construction of various solar power plants (ICC, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish company in an arbitration against companies from Spain and Latin America in relation to a dispute arising from a brokerage agreement concerning infrastructures in Latin America (ICC, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing an international financial entity in an arbitration against a Spanish company in relation to the provision of investment services (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish company in a dispute against another Spanish company in the renewable energy industry arising from the construction of a biomass power plant (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish company in proceedings for the setting aside of the awards issued in a CRCICA arbitration (Spanish courts)
- Representing a Sovereign State in proceedings relating to the appointment of an arbitrator (Spanish courts)
- Representing an Italian group in a multi-party arbitration involving European and Latin American companies in relation to a dispute arising from a possible breach of a construction contract (ICC, Santiago de Chile, Chilean law, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish company in an arbitration against an Asian company in relation to a dispute arising from a contract for the manufacture, supply and delivery of aluminium cable to a Latin American country (ICC, London, French law, English)
- Representing four infrastructure companies from Latin America and Spain in an arbitration against another five Latin American companies in relation to a dispute arising from a contract for the construction of a highway (ICC, Madrid, Costa Rican law, Spanish)

- Representing a Luxembourg subsidiary of a Spanish group, leader at international level in the energy sector, in an investment-treaty arbitration under the Energy Charter Treaty against a European State in relation to a dispute arising from the reduction of the aids to the renewable energy sector (SCC, The Hague, Energy Charter Treaty, English)
- Representing the directors of a company in the restaurant business in an arbitration in which a corporate liability action was brought against them (ad hoc, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish group, leader at international level in the energy sector, in an arbitration arising from a payment agreement in respect of certain amounts owed under a number of contracts for the manufacture and supply of reflectors and other materials for solar power units (CIMA, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing a Spanish company, leader in the energy sector, in an arbitration against another Spanish company, managing the gas transmission network, in relation to a dispute concerning the existence, in the gas transmission contract, of a right in favour of the first company to reduce the volume of transported gas (CAM, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing an IT subsidiary of a Spanish group, leader at international level in the energy sector, in an arbitration against another Spanish company in relation to a dispute arising from a contract for the provision of services (ICC, Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish)
- Representing an African company in several exequatur proceedings initiated before the Spanish courts by three Spanish companies in relation to various partial awards issued in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris (Spanish Courts)
- Representing a subsidiary of a Spanish group, leader at international level in the energy sector, in proceedings for the enforcement of an award issued in an ICC arbitration (Spanish courts)
- Representing a Spanish company, leader in the energy sector, in two proceedings for setting aside the awards issued in a CAM arbitration (Spanish courts)

## Conferences

- CEA-40 and IE Arbitration Club. Salidas en arbitraje: explora tus oportunidades profesionales (May 2023)
- II Conferencia de Arbitraje y Energía IPA. ¿Cómo se viene desarrollando el arbitraje en el sector de la energía? Temas de actualidad en Latinoamérica. Las disputas de arbitraje derivadas de inversiones en el sector de la energía (June 2022)
- XIV Encuentro CEA-40. Convencer escribiendo: claves psicológicas en juego (September 2021)
- Informes de experto técnico y legal en arbitraje internacional: ¿quién, cuándo y cómo? (October 2020)
- Arbitraje durante y después del Covid-19: nuevas oportunidades para jóvenes abogados y árbitros (September 2020)
- XIII Encuentro CEA-40. Eficiencia en el arbitraje: ¿el fin justifica los medios? (June 2019)

- FIDE. Financiación de litigios y arbitrajes sobre reclamaciones de daños por infracciones del derecho de la competencia (May 2018)

## Publications

- Anatomy of a case dealing with (negative and positive) recognition claims of awards: some considerations on legitimate interest and linked awards, *Arbitration Beyond Borders: Essays in Memory of Guillermo Aguilar Álvarez* (ed. Nigel Blackaby KC and W. Michael Reisman, 2023)
- Fine line? A new case on arbitrators' power to impose sanctions, *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* (5 May 2022)
- Mexico's new policy on the lithium industry, *Latin American Notes* (22 March 2022)
- Enforcement by national courts and arbitrators of arbitral decisions on interim measures, *40 under 40 International Arbitration* (ed. Carlos González-Bueno, 2021)
- The potential impact of Directive 2014/24/EU on construction arbitration in Europe, *International arbitration and EU law* (ed. José R. Mata Dona and Nikos Lavranos, 2021)
- The Dominican Republic's recent legislation on public-private partnerships, *Latin American Notes* (9 June 2021)
- Reimbursement of advance on costs paid in substitution for defaulting party: a case study under the ICC Rules, *Kluwer Arbitration Blog* (1 June 2020)
- El reconocimiento en EEUU de laudos extranjeros anulados a la luz de dos casos recientes: COMMISA y Thai-Lao Lignite, *Foro de Derecho Mercantil - Revista Internacional* (vol. 49, 2015)
- Arbitraje y financiación procesal parciaria (third-party funding) en España: un análisis bajo el prisma de las nuevas Directrices de la IBA sobre Conflictos de Interés, *La Ley Mercantil* (vol. 8, 2014)
- Third-party litigation funding: current state of affairs and prospects for its further development in Spain, *European Review of Private Law* (vol. 22.3, 2014)
- El reconocimiento y ejecución en EEUU de laudos arbitrales anulados por tribunales extranjeros: el cambio de tendencia impulsado por COMMISA, *Arbitraje: Revista de Arbitraje Comercial y de Inversiones* (vol. 7.1, 2014)

## Professional memberships

- Madrid Bar Association (ICAM)
- Spanish Arbitration Club (CEA)
- International Bar Association (IBA)
- LCIA Young International Arbitration Group
- Young ICCA

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- ICDR Young & International