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MEDIATION

Expertise

-**Lawyer specialist in company law** (certified by the French National Council of Bars) with a specific qualification: **Transfer and restructuration of enterprises.**

-Mediator.

-Arbitrator.

Bar Admissions

-Admitted to Paris (2002-2005, *europ. dir. 98/5/CE, 16.02.1998*) and **Meaux** Bar (since 2005).

-Admitted to the **New York** State Bar (since 1997).

-Admitted to Brussels Bar (1995-2014), French speaking lawyers' association.

Legal Education

-University of Namur (Belgium), *magna cum laude* (1991).

-Catholic University of Louvain (Belgium), Bachelor of Laws, *magna cum laude* (1994).

-University of Seville (Spain), Erasmus, *magna cum laude* (1994).

-Georgetown University Law Center, Washington DC (USA), LLM Master of Laws (1995).

Teaching activities

-**Associate Professor at the University Gustave Eiffel** (Meaux), business law and real property law (since 2017).

-Previously, in charge of International Commercial law at University Paris-Est Créteil Val-de-Marne (UPEC) and Hoa Sen University, Hô-Chi-Minh-City, (Vietnam), at University Paris-Est Marne-la-Vallée, at ESM-A (*Ecole Supérieure de Management en Alternance de Marne-la-Vallée*) and at ESCI (*Ecole Supérieure de Commerce International*).

Associations and nominations

-**French Foreign Trade Advisor (since 2012, 4th mandate)**, General Secretary and Vice President of the 77 French Committee (2018-2021), elected President of the 77 French Committee (2021-2022).

-**President of the UIA World FORUM Mediation Centres since 2016** (previously, vice president in 2012, co-president in 2014).

-**Founding member and General Secretary of AMIDIF** since 2010.

-Nominations in *Who's Who Legal France* and in *Who's Who Legal Mediation* (each year, since 2014).

-Member of Association *Dirigeantes Actives 77*.

-Founding member of CEVE (*Club des Entrepreneurs du Val d'Europe*).

Languages

French, English, Spanish, Dutch.

Professional experience

-KPMG (Antwerp, Belgium), Internal Audit Services (1995-1996).

-BAKER & MCKENZIE (Brussels, Belgium) (1996-1998).

-LANDWELL (Brussels Corporate Department, Paris Financial Services Department), manager (1999-2005).-VDV AVOCATS (since 2007): Founding managing partner (business advices and management of conflicts).

As Arbitrator

Member of the Institut d'Arbitrage, AIA (*Association for International Arbitration*), IEAM (Institut d'Expertise, d'Arbitrage et de Médiation), AFA (Association Française d'Arbitrage).

As Mediator

- France:

- **Registered since 01.01.2019 on the 1st expert list of mediators for PARIS COURT OF APPEAL.**
- Accredited by and registered on the list of the National Mediation Center of Lawyers (in French, "*Centre National de Médiation des Avocats*", **CNMA**).
- Accredited by and registered on the list of mediators of **IEAM** (Expertise, Arbitration & Mediation Institute).
- IEAM mediator for consumer disputes (2016-2019) for convention signed with Idésia (financial intermediation and insurance brokerage)/AMIDIF mediator for consumer dispute for conventions signed with AGIR, ISART, Centre national d'art et de culture Georges Pompidou, ACPPAV, SARL Vignal.
- **CMAF** (Centre de Médiation et d'Arbitrage de Paris) training.
- **CAP'M**® diploma issued by CPMN (*Chambre Professionnelle de la Médiation et de la Négociation*).
- **AMIDIF** mediator (*Association des Médiateurs Indépendants d'île de France*).

-Belgium: Mediator accredited by **bMediation** and the **Belgian Federal Commission** for civil and commercial matters.

-Luxemburg: Mediator accredited by **CMCC** (Civil and Commercial Mediation Center).

-Great-Britain: Mediator accredited by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (**MCI Arb**).

-**EMTPJ**-Mediator accredited for cross border disputes in civil and commercial matters (1st European Mediation Training for Practitioners of Justice, Warwick University, AIA/European Commission) (2010).

International and National Competitions

-Mediator and Judge for ICC International Commercial Mediation Competitions, Paris (each year, since 2011) ; co-coach of the French EFB team for the 9th ICC competition (February 2014) ; Member of the ICC Competition Rules Working Group (February 2012): drafting the case for the quarters final ; Judge for the Finale of the 7th ICC International Commercial Mediation Competition.

-Judge for the Mediation Competition organized by CMAF (Paris), March 2011 and March 2012.

Some conferences

-2021 International Mediation Summit, "*Comparison of international commercial dispute resolution mechanisms at this stage*" (the so-called voluntary mediation), China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT), Jiangdong New District (29-30 September 2021) [on-line].

- Co-speaker and moderator for the international mediation conference, "*Social justice through mediation – technical sessions – On line mediation*", organized by BIMACC, India (10 July 2021) [on-line].

-2020 International Mediation Summit, "*Building and Improving Non-litigation Dispute Resolution Mechanism and Its Role in Economic Globalization (European Section) – Mediation and Arbitration*", China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT), Dongguan Municipality, Guangdong Province (17-20 November 2020) [on-line].

- Co-speaker at the round table « *Oser la médiation* » ("*Dare mediation*") organized by the Judicial tribunal of Châlons-en-Champagne, 10 October 2020 (mediation week).

- Speaker for the promotion 2021 BTS international commerce; Lycée Jean Vilar, Meaux, 9 October 2020.

- Organizer of UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres in Germany (webinars of June 2021), (Sydney-AUSTRALIA (webinars of September 2020), Milan-ITALY (January 2020), in Zurich- SWITZERLAND (March 2019), in Val d'Europe-FRANCE (June 2018), in SINGAPORE (October 2017), in Krakow-POLAND (January 2017), in LUXEMBOURG (April 2016).

-International mediation in business conflicts, *Business Café*, IC77 (16 February 2018).

-Web and legal aspects, meeting at VDV Avocats (September 2016).

-"*Let's be actor of the solution of our disputes*", Introduction to the conference of M. Laurent Combalbert *Les fondamentaux de la négociation de crise*, CJD de Meaux Marne-la-Vallée (May 2016).

-*Shareholders' agreement, minority vs 100% participation*, CLENAM Ingénieurs, Club Entreprise Arts&Métiers, Paris (September 2015).

- Mediation in business law: unavoidable, MEDEF Seine et Marne (May 2015).
- What do I say or do now? Dealing with ethical dilemmas confronting mediators*, UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, Amsterdam, Holland (June 2015).
- 5th Summit meeting of business law, “*Corporate law 2014/2015 : evolution and revolution – let’s simplify*”, French National Council of Bars CNB (6 March 2015).
- Changing the Mind-set*, UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, Thessaloniki, Greece (September 2014).
- Legal aspects of transfer of enterprises, CCI Chelles (November 2014).
- Leave the law outside the room, commercial interest come first*, 1st IP Mediation Conference, Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (OHIM), Alicante, Spain, May 2014.
- Mining the minds of mediators, international version*, Moderator, UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, Houston, Texas, USA (March 2014).
- 1st promotion of the Mediation School of Paris Bar : “*Get lawyers acquainted with mediation*”; “*Three different manners to solve a conflict: law, rights and interests*”, “*Corporate social responsibility and mediation*” (November - December 2013).
- Mining the Minds*, UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, The Czech Republic, Prague (June 2013).
- Become an even better mediator*, UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, Croatia, Zagreb (October 2012).
- L’exercice du droit dans le respect de la culture : négociation des contrats et gestion des conflits*, International Symposium, « *Doing Business in ...* », ESCI HEMA Group (31 May 2012).
- From theory to practice, the tricks and the traps*, UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, Portugal, Lisbon (January 2012).

Publications

- « *Le 28ème Forum mondial UIA des centres de médiation sera virtuel* », JURISTE INTERNATIONAL, UIA, Lexis Nexis, 2020, n°2, p. 21.
- « *La médiation internationale - 27ème Forum mondial UIA des centres de médiation : un grand succès à Milan, Italie* », JURISTE INTERNATIONAL, UIA, Lexis Nexis, 2020, n°2, p. 14-16.
- «26^{ème}Forum mondial UIA des centres de médiation»,JURISTE INTERNATIONAL,UIA,Lexis Nexis,2018, n°4,pp.23-24.
- Interview : « *Le travail d’accompagnement juridique, pourtant incontournable et nécessaire, est mal connu* », Le Moniteur de Seine et Marne, 22 September 2018, pages 4-9.
- 25^{ème} anniversary of the UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, JURISTE INTERNATIONAL, UIA, Lexis Nexis, 2018, n°1.
- L’UIA in Singapore : 24th UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres, JURISTE INTERNATIONAL, UIA, Lexis Nexis, 2017, n°2.
- « *Les acteurs du développement de la médiation internationale* » (23rd UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres in Poland, Krakow), JURISTE INTERNATIONAL, UIA, Lexis Nexis, 2016, n°4.
- Technical Sheets regarding Mediation: « *General principles in a snapshot* » (1st issue of a periodic review, in French and English, being listed BNF).
- Business Happiness, Realestate Val d’Europe, 20 October 2016, interview.
- 22nd UIA World FORUM of Mediation Centres – Mediation in the UIA FORUM, JURISTE INTERNATIONAL, UIA, Lexis Nexis, p.16, N°2, 2016.
- « *La médiation : un intérêt commun* », Dossier spécial, LAWS, N°3, Le Magazine de la Conférence du Jeune Barreau du Luxembourg, Speaking with Fabienne van der Vleugel and Yves Repiquet, pp.38-39, 2016.
- « *Les ondes de choc de la simplification en droit des sociétés* », La revue de l’avocat conseil d’entreprises, N°131, p.16 (April 2015).
- « *La médiation d’entreprise, rapide et efficace en cas de conflit* », interview MAG ECO, p. 15 (June 2015).
- The advantages of mediation, Affiches Parisiennes, N°20, February 2013 ; Le Moniteur S&M, N°7, 10-16 February 2013 (free translation in English).
- Mediation: A tool for European Business People, New York Dispute Resolution Lawyer, Autumn 2012, Vol. 5, N°2, *New York State Bar Association*.
- Mediation, Directive, and Attorney’s Deed, Affiches Parisiennes, N°100, 1^{er}/2 September 2011 ; Le Moniteur de Seine et Marne, N°26, June/July 2011 (free translation in English).

- Confidentiality and Creativity in Mediation, *Affiches Parisiennes*, N°62, 26/27 May 2011 ; *Le Moniteur de Seine et Marne*, N°20, 15/21 May 2011 (free translation in English).
- The General Principles of Mediation, *Le Moniteur de Seine et Marne*, N°11-13, 19 March 2011 ; *Les Affiches Parisiennes*, N°33, 17/18 mars 2011, (free translation in English).
- Reserved capital increase and going public abroad, *Option Finances*, 15 September 2003, N° 750.
- The new Companies Code, *Comptabilité et Fiscalité Pratique*, pp. 259-326, June 2001 , Corporate law-DAOR, N° 59, September 2001 (copies of 1st pages).