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## \*\*\* HIGHLIGHTS \*\*\*

*LLM in International Dispute Resolution - Queen Mary University of London*  
*Secondment at the New York Office of Herbert Smith Freehills*  
*Co-Editor of the Book "International Arbitration in Portugal" (Kluwer Law)*  
*Co-Editor for the book "Comment on the Mozambican Arbitration Law"*  
*Recommended by "Who's Who Legal" as one of the "Future Leaders" in the field of Arbitration*  
*Arbitrator at the Centre of Commercial Arbitration of the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce and Industry*

## EDUCATION

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- 2015 **International Chamber of Commerce** | Advanced Course in International Arbitration
- 2012 **Queen Mary - University of London** | LL.M. in International Dispute Resolution  
Courses:
- International and Comparative Commercial Arbitration
  - International Commercial Litigation
  - Investment Arbitration
  - International Human Rights Law
- Dissertation topic: "Investment Arbitration and Human Rights - An Uneasy Relationship"
- 2006 **Portuguese Bar Association** | Approved in the Bar Exam (**Cum Laude**)
- 2006 **Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon** | Post-Graduation in Labour Law
- 2004 **Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon** | Graduation in Law

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- 2008 - present date **Abreu Advogados** (Lisbon) **Professional Partner**
- Member of the arbitration and litigation team, acting as lawyer in arbitration and judicial disputes relating to several jurisdictions and laws (Portugal, Angola, Mozambique, Cape-Verde and Brazil) in the areas of Construction, Major Projects, Transports, Maritime Law, Energy, Real Estate, Private Equity, Insolvency and Pharmaceuticals;
  - Responsible for the management of clients, supervision of younger associates and interns.
- 2013 **Herbert Smith Freehills** (New York) **Foreign Visiting Attorney**
- Worked together with the HSF International Arbitration Team, providing legal support and advice in international arbitrations related with the areas of Energy (LNG), Major Projects and Maritime Law (New York and English laws; ICC and ICDR-AAA Rules).
- 2012 **Ferreira Rocha & Associates** (Maputo) **International Associate**
- Acted as *International Associate* developing the partnership between the Portuguese and Mozambican offices of Abreu Advogados;
  - Provided legal advice and support concerning disputes related with the Mozambican Jurisdiction.
- 2011 **Faria de Bastos, Lopes & Associates** (Luanda) **International Associate**
- Acted as *International Associate* developing the relations between the Portuguese and Angolan partnership of Abreu Advogados;
  - Provided legal advice and support concerning disputes related with the Angolan Jurisdiction.
- 2006 - 2007 **Lusojurist Advogados** (Lisbon) **Junior Associate**
- Acted as lawyer and "Team Leader" in the area of dispute resolution (contractual liability / tort, insolvency) and labour matters;
  - Responsible for the management of clients and supervision of interns.

## **SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE AND HONORS IN ARBITRATION**

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- Sixteen years of experience as an attorney working with arbitrations related with several jurisdictions, laws (Portugal, U.K., USA, Angola and Mozambique) and institutions (ICC, LCIA, ICDR-AAA, CACM and CAC-CCIP) in the areas of Construction, Major Projects, Transport and Maritime Law, Energy, Real Estate, Private Equity and Pharmaceuticals.
- Appointed as arbitrator in 30 arbitrations, the vast majority as chairman of the tribunal;
- Part of the **list of arbitrators** of the Centre of Commercial Arbitration of the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce and Industry (since 2019);
- Recommended by Who's Who Legal as one of the "Future Leaders" in the field of Arbitration (2021 / 2022 / 2023 / 2024);
- Shortlisted by **Iberian Lawyer** for the "**Forty under 40**" awards that distinguish the best legal professionals of the Iberian Peninsula with less than 40 years old in the field of arbitration (2019, 2020);
- Coach of the *Willem C. Vis Moot Court* team of the Nova University of Lisbon - School of Law (2016 - 2021);
- Member of the Portuguese Arbitration Association; Queen Mary School of International Arbitration and *Vis Moot* Alumni Association.

## **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

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- Speaker at the V Intensive Course for Arbitrators - Topic: "*The arbitration award*" organized by the Centre of Commercial Arbitration of the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce and Industry (September, 2023);
- Speaker at the VII Med-Arb Arbitration Congress organized by the University of Paraíba: "*Iberian Arbitration*";
- Speaker at São Paulo Arbitration Week: "*Lusophone Dialogues on Arbitration*" (October, 2022);
- Speaker at the seminar organized by the Portuguese Arbitration Moot Association: "*The arbitration agreement*" (September, 2022);
- Guest lecturer at the Nova Summer School on International Arbitration, module on Legal Oral Advocacy (July, 2022);
- Speaker at the International Sports Law Seminar on Labor Law and Mediation in Sport (April, 2021);
- Speaker at the XXI Congress of Maritime Arbitrators (Rio de Janeiro): "*The Application of the Prague Rules in the Context of Maritime Arbitration Disputes*" (March, 2020);
- Speaker at the XIII Annual Arbitration Congress of the Centre of Commercial Arbitration of the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce and Industry: "*The Control in the Constitution of the Arbitration Tribunal*" (July, 2019);
- Speaker at the Romanian National Conference on Commercial Law: "*Arbitration and Insolvency*" (June, 2019);
- Invited Lecturer by University of West Ontario (Canada) in the Course "*Theory and Practice of Sports Law*" - Class on Arbitration Written and Oral Submissions (November, 2018 - 2020);
- Speaker at the International Arbitration Encounters of Coimbra: "*Arbitrations with States - Are special rules necessary?*" (October, 2018);
- Speaker and organizer of Abreu Advogados Annual Arbitration Conference: "*Lisbon as a Seat for International Arbitrations*" (September, 2018);
- Speaker before the New York Society of Maritime Arbitrators: Presenting the Chapter "*SMA Arbitration*" for the book "*International Arbitration in the United States*" (September, 2018);
- Co-organizer of the *ICC Young Arbitrators Forum* Regional Conference held in Lisbon (June, 2018);
- Invited Lecturer by the Nova University of Lisbon - School of Law in the Post-Graduation Course in International Arbitration: "*Simulation of an Arbitration Hearing*" (May, 2018);
- Speaker at the Conference organized by the *Union Internationale des Avocats*: "*Mediation for Sports Disputes - Turning Adversaries into Teammates*" (January, 2018);
- Speaker at the Conference "*Arbitration arising out of the new sports labour agreements law*" (November, 2017);
- Speaker at the XX International Congress of Maritime Arbitrators: "*Status of Non-Signatory Parties in Maritime Arbitration - London and New York compared*" (September, 2017);
- Speaker at the Conference organized by the Ministry of Justice of Cabo Verde - "*Arbitration, Evolution, Legislation and future trends*" (February, 2017);
- Speaker at the Conference organized by the Portuguese Olympic Committee: "*The Portuguese Court of Arbitration for Sports - One year later*" (October, 2016);
- Speaker at the VIII Annual Arbitration Congress of the Centre of Commercial Arbitration of the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce and Industry: "*Arbitration in Portugal - Present and Future*" (July, 2014).

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Contributor to the book "*Law for Startups*", by Hélder Galvão and Luís Barreto Xavier, Chapter on arbitration and dispute resolution (September, 2022);
- Co-Editor for the book "*Comment on the Mozambican Arbitration Law*" (October, 2022);
- Contributor to the "*Portuguese Multilateral dictionary*", by Nuno Severiano Teixeira and Alice Cunha, Article on the Permanent Court of Arbitration (May, 2022);
- Co-Editor of the Book "*International Arbitration in Portugal*", Kluwer Law International (September, 2020);
- Article "*The potential of Portugal and Lisbon as a Seat of Arbitration*", Instantia magazine (September, 2018);
- Article "*Status of Non-Signatory Parties in Maritime Arbitration - London and New York compared*", Instantia Magazine (April, 2018);
- Chapter "*SMA Arbitration*" for the Book "*International Arbitration in the United States*", Kluwer Law (January, 2018);
- Co-Author of the Portuguese Chapter of the Legal 500 "*International Arbitration Comparative Guide*" (2017 and 2018);
- Article "*Portugal: A New Hub for International Arbitration Disputes*", Kluwer/ICCA Arbitration Blog (August, 2017);
- Article "*Voluntary Arbitration at the Portuguese Court of Arbitration for Sports*", Portuguese Olympic Committee (August, 2017);
- LL.M. Dissertation thesis "*Investment Arbitration and Human Rights - An Uneasy Relationship*", Instantia Magazine (April, 2015);
- Article "*28 USC § 1782: An American wingman for international arbitration disputes*", Young Arbitration Review (July, 2013).

## LANGUAGES

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- **Portuguese** - Native speaker;
- **English** - Excellent reading, oral and writing skills, including drafting of legal submissions, procedural orders and arbitral awards;
- **Spanish** - Good oral and Reading skills.