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Experience

Guillermo is an international arbitration lawyer, admitted in England and Wales and Spain, specialising in international commercial arbitration, investment arbitration, construction/infrastructure and energy disputes. He is based in Sydney, following an increasingly active business relationship between Spain, Europe, Latam and the APAC region.

At Herbert Smith Freehills, Guillermo advises clients on complex cross-border disputes across many sectors and industries, with a particular focus on construction/infrastructure and energy disputes. He regularly represents clients in arbitrations in major international centres and ad-hoc arbitrations.

Guillermo's breadth of experience allows him to help clients formulate successful strategies to resolve complex cross-border disputes, by focusing on delivering strong commercial outcomes including dispute avoidance, investment structuring, project delivery, settlement negotiations and enforcement strategies.

Professional background

Guillermo was admitted as a lawyer in Spain in 2009 and has worked at top-tier law firms in Madrid (Perez-Llorca, HSF) and London (WilmerHale, Slaughter and May) prior to relocating to HSF Australia. He is also qualified as a solicitor in England and Wales.

Credentials

- **Leading infrastructure group** on a complex dispute related to a cutting edge renewable energy project in the US, including international and domestic arbitration proceedings, US litigation, expert determination proceedings, defense against enforcement, and settlement discussions
- **Leading Spanish energy group** on arbitration proceedings related to price review provisions of a long term LNG contract
- **Leading energy and construction group** on international arbitration proceedings related to an electricity transmission network in the Republic of Kenya
- **Leading Spanish energy group** on several disputes related to cross-border LNG contracts
- **Consortium of leading French and Japanese construction groups** on international arbitration proceedings related to a large infrastructure project in Uruguay
- **Leading infrastructure group** on a complex cross-border dispute related to the investment on a global satellite operator, including international arbitration proceedings, expert determination proceedings and litigation before national courts
- **The Kingdom of Spain** against an international arbitration claim lodged by 25 investment funds based on the Energy Charter Treaty (regarding new Spanish legislation applicable to photovoltaic technology)
- **Leading energy group** on international arbitration proceedings against a Chinese state entity related to a major solar energy transaction
- **International investment group** on international arbitration proceedings related to a large infrastructure project in the Middle East
- **Consortium of leading construction groups** on a cross-border dispute related to a large oil project, including EPC, O&M and PCG disputes
- **Leading Spanish energy group** on arbitration proceedings against a state-owned company related to the construction and management of water transportation infrastructure

- **Leading Spanish telecoms operator** on arbitration proceedings related to the termination of a roaming agreement
- **Secretary of the Arbitral Tribunal** in various arbitration proceedings
- **Spanish construction group** on arbitration proceedings relating to the execution of a Waste Plant contract in Nicaragua
- **International insurance groups** on a dispute following the collapse of a tunnel in Chile
- **Aker Solutions** on the acquisition of oil & gas conglomerate NPS Energy
- **Dragados and Vías y Construcciones** on a construction dispute with the German Federal Office for Building and Regional Planning (BBR)
- **Leading infrastructure group** on international proceedings related to a large investment in offshore facilities
- **Isolux Corsan** on an EPC contract in Puerto Rico and an infrastructure project in Gabon
- **Leading construction group** on arbitration proceedings against a state-owned company related to the development of water projects
- **Banco Santander** on litigations related to financial products
- **Deutsche Bank AG** on a complex dispute related to a real estate development project in Barcelona
- **Técnicas Reunidas** on several disputes arising from PPP concessions
- **UTE Energía Línea 9** (Barcelona underground group of companies) on its dispute with the Catalonian Public Infrastructure company
- **Botín Foundation (Fundación Botín)** -the largest private foundation in Spain- on the regulatory aspects and several litigation proceedings arising from the emblematic Botín Centre Project (Santander)
- **Telefónica** on the sale and leaseback of mobile telecoms infrastructure to Abertis
- **CVC Partners** on the acquisition of a significant stake on Abertis
- **AENA** on the privatisation process of the state-owned company in charge of the management and operation of airport services in Spain
- **International insurance groups and Spanish companies** on third party litigation funding

Accolades

- *Winner of the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot*
Guillermo won the *Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot* in 2008 representing *Universidad Carlos III de Madrid*, prevailing amongst over 200 universities from all over the world.

Publications and speaking engagements

Guillermo speaks at conferences and seminars, and lectures at universities and master's programs in relation to both arbitration and construction/infrastructure and energy sectors. He regularly publishes on arbitration-related topics, including on smart legal contracts and the impact of technological developments on dispute resolution. Guillermo is included in the Arbitrator's list of the Spanish Civil and Commercial Court of Arbitration (CIMA), and is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb), the Spanish Arbitration Club and the Spanish-Australian Chamber of Commerce