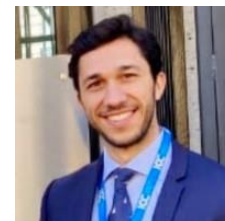


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EDUCATION

- 2019 – 2020 **SCIENCES PO LAW SCHOOL** **Paris**
LL.M in Transnational Arbitration and Dispute Resolution
- Top of the class in the courses Comparative Procedural Tools and Litigation Strategy in Inter-State Dispute Settlement.
 - Included intensive courses and workshops on core international arbitration subjects delivered by Professors Diego Fernandez Arroyo, Alexis Mourre, Emmanuel Gaillard, George Bermann and Gabrielle Kaufmann-Kohler among others.
- 2020 **UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA** **Geneva**
Latin American International Arbitration Course (LAIAC)
- Participant of the first edition of LAIAC, a joint program of the Geneva Center for International Dispute Settlement and the University of Buenos Aires aimed for leading practitioners in the arbitration field, specializing in international commercial and investment arbitration in Latin America.
- ESADE BUSINESS & LAW SCHOOL** **Barcelona**
2016 – 2017 **Double Master of Laws in International Business Law & Legal Practice**
2012 – 2016 **Law Degree**
- Coach for the ESADE team at Willem C Vis Moot (2017-2020), Arbitrator in Vienna and at several Pre-Moots and participant in the 24th edition (2016).
 - Best Performance Award in International Alternative Dispute Resolution and Antitrust Law.
 - Exchange Semester at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel.
 - Captain of the Debate Team.
- ADMISSIONS
- **FRENCH BAR:** qualified in 2020 (passed the article 99 exam by the EFB);
 - **SPANISH BAR:** qualified in 2017, ICAB n.44347.

EXPERIENCE

- Apr 2022 – Present* **MGC Arbitration, Associate** **Paris**
- Acting as counsel and tribunal secretary in highly complex multi-party and multi-contract cases in the major arbitration forums under the rules of the main arbitral institutions.
- Sep 2020 – Present* **ESADE LAW SCHOOL, Adjunct Professor** **Barcelona**
- Course on commercial arbitration, from the drafting of written pleadings to the preparation of hearings, the course covers procedural and substantive aspects of international arbitration and international sales law, as well as oral advocacy skills.
- Jul 2021 – Jan 2022* **WHITE & CASE LLP, International Arbitration** **Paris**
- Represented two large multinationals in one ad-hoc and one institutional arbitration in the construction sector, in French and English, with legal research and initial drafting of specific sections. Participated in the filing of a request for bifurcation and a request for stay in an investment case representing the investor. Prepared a section of the statement of claim in a commercial case where the applicable law was Brazilian law, in Portuguese.
- Feb 2021 – Jun 2021* **CLEARY GOTTlieb STEEN & HAMILTON LLP, International Arbitration** **Paris**
- Represented a state-entity of the Kingdom of Spain in a €500 million investor-state arbitration, including the preparation of outlines for the direct and cross examination

of experts and witnesses. Represented an investor in Latin America in the mining sector.

DECHERT LLP, International Arbitration

Jul 2020 –
Dec 2020

- Represented a multinational banking company in an ICC arbitration seated in Paris, participating in the drafting of the Statement of Claim. Represented two Latin American States on investment disputes under UNCITRAL and ICSID rules. Giving pre-litigation advice to an American investor in an investment in the CIS region.

Paris

GÓMEZ-ACEBO & POMBO, M&A Associate

Feb 2018 –
Aug 2019

- M&A department, dealing with sectors such as Energy, Retail or Technological. Carried out numerous Due Diligence processes, drafted and negotiated SPAs and other commercial contracts. Directly collaborated in some of Spain's largest operations, including a multi-million acquisition by a technological company in collaboration with a top-tier US law firm.
- Organized the first Barcelona Vis Moot Pre-Moot and subsequent editions, with teams participating from the US, Poland or France.

Barcelona

CLIFFORD CHANCE, Dispute Resolution & Litigation Trainee

Feb 2017 –
May 2017
and June
2016 – Sep
2016

- Litigation department, drafting of lawsuits, research of legal arguments and jurisprudence and consultations in matters of patents and trademarks.
- Internship at the London HQ of the firm and participation in the Summer Scheme offered to one intern representing each of the firm's offices in Europe.

**London /
Barcelona**

SPANISH EMBASSY IN CAPE VERDE, Intern

June 2015 –
Sep 2015

- Scholarship from the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Advised in public international law and maritime law matters, including the drafting of a commercial agreement for fisheries between Spain and Cape Verde.

Praia

LANGUAGES

- **Mother tongue – Spanish, Catalan**
- **C1: English** – Certificate of Advanced English, Cambridge University; TOEFL 108/120.
French – C1/C2 level course at Sciences Po.
Portuguese – C1 Certificate by the University of Barcelona.
- **A2: Chinese** – A2 level course at Sciences Po.

PUBLICATIONS & CONFERENCES

- *“The tension between respecting the treaty and respecting the environment”* – Article to be published in May by the TDM Journal.
- *“The AfCFTA and Intra-African investment disputes: a special focus in the lusophone countries”* – Article for the TDM special issue on the AfCFTA, published in February 2021.
- *“The new Madrid International Arbitration Center and the Barcelona Arbitration Tribunal: the two main arbitral institutions in Spain”* - Moderator of the conference whose speakers were the Secretary General of the Madrid International Arbitration Center, Ms. Mélanie Riofrio, and the President of the Barcelona Arbitral Tribunal, Mr. Antoni Bosch, March 2020.
- *“New European framework for screening foreign direct investment”* - Gómez-Acebo & Pombo website and clients newsletter, January 2019.
- *“European regulation to scrutinize foreign direct investment”* - Gómez-Acebo & Pombo website and clients newsletter, April 2019.

OTHER INTERESTS

- Certificate of “Negotiation Technician” issued by Escuela de Empresa.
- IRONMAN 70.3 Barcelona and Spartan Race finisher.
- Holder of the PADI Open Water Diver Certificate.
- Luminance Artificial Intelligence user.