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NIKOS LAVRANOS

EXPERTISE

Advising, litigating, negotiating, drafting legislation and briefings, lecturing, researching in the following areas:

- international dispute settlement
- international investment law and arbitration
- WTO law
- EU law
- Interaction between international, European and national law

NON-ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- founder & owner of NL-Investmentconsulting.
- since 1 April 2018: Associate Consultant for Trade Impact BV, Rotterdam.
- since 1 August 2017: Of Counsel at Wöss & Partner, Vienna
- since 1 June 2017: Member of the Public International Law Advisory Group (PILAG).
- since 1 May 2017: Board Member of the Association of International Arbitration (AIA), Brussels.
- since 1 March 2017: Arbitrator and Mediator on the List of the Vienna International Arbitration Centre (VIAC).
- since 1 January 2017: Mediator on the Panel List of the Energy Community.
- Since 2016: Permanent contributor for the Kluwer Arbitration Law Blog, Practical Law Arbitration Blog and Borderlex.
- since 1 July 2014: Secretary General of the European Federation for Investment Law and Arbitration (EFILA).
- from 1 September 2014 until 31 December 2016: Head of Legal Affairs, Global Investment Protection AG.
- from 1 March 2010 until 1 July 2014: Senior Trade Policy Advisor & Chief Negotiator, International Trade section, responsible for all Dutch BITs, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Netherlands.

- from 1 January 2007 until end of August 2008: Senior Advisor European & International Strategy, Dutch Competition Authority (NMa) The Hague, The Netherlands.

**APPOINTMENTS BY
ARBITRATION
INSTITUTIONS**

- Mediator on the Panel of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRC).
- Arbitrator and Mediator for the Vienna International Arbitration Centre (VIAC).
- Mediator on the Panel of Mediators of the Energy Community.

**ACADEMIC
POSITIONS**

- as of March 2017: Guest Professor “International Investment Law” at the Free University Brussels – Brussels Diplomatic Academy.
- as of November 2016: Visiting Professor at Verona University, Law Faculty.
- as of November 2016: Fellow at the WTI, Bern
- as of March 2016: Co-Editor-in-Chief of the: *European Investment Law and Arbitration Review*.
- from 2012-2016: Editor in Chief and since 2016 Editorial Board member of the *Hague Yearbook of International Law*.
- from 2012-2014: Adjunct Faculty, The Hague University, The Netherlands.
- from 2012-2016: Guest Lecturer, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- from 1 September 2009 until end February 2010: Interim Academic Research Director European Law and Senior Lecturer, The Hague University, The Netherlands.
- from 1 September 2008 until end of August 2009: *Max Weber Fellow* at the European University Institute (EUI), Florence; mentor: Prof. E.-U. Petersmann.
- from December 2001 until end of August 2008: Assistant Professor “European Law” and Senior Researcher “International Law” at the ACIL, Law Faculty, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- from September 1997 until December 2001: Researcher and Ph.D. Candidate at the Dep. of International and European Law, Law Faculty, Maastricht University, The Netherlands.

ACADAMIC EDUCATION

- **4 JUNE 2004 - DOCTOR IN LAW - MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY - THE NETHERLANDS**
Title of Ph.D. thesis: *Decisions of International Organizations in the European and domestic legal orders of selected EU Member States*, Europa Law Publishing, Groningen 2004, 309 pp.
- **1996 - 1997 - MASTER OF COMPARATIVE AND EUROPEAN COMMUNITY LAW (LLM) – MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY – THE NETHERLANDS**
Master of Comparative and European Community Law (LL.M.), cum laude, Maastricht University, The Netherlands.
- **1990 - 1997 – LAW STUDIES – GOETHE UNIVERSITY- FRANKFURT - GERMANY**
Law studies at the Johann Wolfgang Goethe University Frankfurt, Germany, 1. Juristisches Staatsexamen (1st state exam).
- **1992 - 1993 – ERASMUS EXCHANGE – MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY – THE NETHERLANDS**
1 year ERASMUS exchange studies in European and International Law at Maastricht University, The Netherlands.

SELECTED RECENT PUBLICATIONS

Book contributions

- Renewable Energy Investment Disputes – Recent Developments and Implications for Prospective Energy Market Reforms, in: Martha Roggenkamp et al (eds.), *European Energy Law Report XII* (Intersentia, forthcoming 2018) (together with Cees Verburg).
- How the European Commission and the EU Member States are reasserting their control over their Investment Treaties and ISDS Rules, in: A. Kulick (ed.), *States' Reassertion of control over International Investment Agreements and International Investment Treaty Dispute Settlement* (Cambridge University Press, 2016), pp. 309332.
- In defence of Member States' BITs gold standard: The Regulation 1219/2012 establishing a transitional regime for existing extra-EU BITs - A Member State's perspective, in: *TDM special issue*, published in Vol. 10, issue 2, March 2013.

(peer reviewed) Articles

- Recent Awards in Spanish Renewable Energy Cases and the Potential Consequences of the Achmea Judgment for intra-EU ECT Arbitrations, in: *European Investment Law and Arbitration Review 2018* (forthcoming) (together with Cees Verburg).

- Mixed Exclusivity: The CJEU's Opinion on the EU-Singapore FTA, in: *European Investment Law and Arbitration Review* 2017, pp. 3-34.
- The CETA-drama: Entering the dark age of protectionism and nationalism?, in: *Int'l Lis – Corriere trimestrale della litigazione internazionale* 2017, pp. 111-113.
- Lights and Shadows of the WTO-inspired International Court System of InvestorState Dispute Settlement, in: *European Investment Law and Arbitration Review* 2016, pp. 191-266 (together with several other authors).
- A Response to the Criticism against ISDS by EFILA, in: *Journal of International Arbitration* 2016, pp. 1-36 (together with several other authors).

Shorter Articles/Commentaries

- Is Commercial Arbitration an Alternative to Investment Treaty Arbitration in Light of the increasing aversion against BITs ?, in: *European Investment Law and Arbitration Review* 2017, pp. 302-314.

Blogposts and miscellaneous

- After Achmea: The Need for an EU Investment Protection Regulation, Kluwer Arbitration blog, 17 March 2018.
- Black Tuesday: the end of intra-EU, Practical Law Arbitration blog, 7 March 2018.
- Wrapping up the 3rd EFILA Annual Conference, Practical Law Arbitration blog, 20 February 2018.
- Insight: The end of intra-EU BITs – what next? Borderlex, 9 March 2018.
- A new Micula-type case on the horizon?, Practical Law Arbitration blog, 25 February 2018.
- The EU's foreign investment screening proposal: Towards more protectionism in the EU, EFILA blog, 9 January 2018.
- Some Critical Observations on the EU's Foreign Investment Screening Proposal, Kluwer Arbitration blog, 2 January 2018.

LANGUAGES

- German, English, Dutch: excellent
- French, Greek: intermediate
- Italian: basic