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Francisco M. Serrano is the partner in charge of the international arbitration and ADR practice in the Dispute Resolution: Litigation and Arbitration Department of Garrigues. For almost 30 years he has provided advice to and defended some of the most important companies in the industrial, energy, construction, shipping, automotive, hotel and pharmaceutical sectors, in complex cross-border contractual disputes in multiple arbitration seats and in arbitration-related proceedings, as well as in domestic civil and commercial lawsuits and arbitrations involving contractual disputes, largely representing international clients. He is a member of the governing board of the Club Español e Iberoamericano de Arbitraje and of the Club's Mediation Commission and has been singled out in publications such as Chambers&Partners, Legal500 and Best Lawyers.

### Experience

Francisco M. Serrano is a partner in the Litigation and Arbitration Department at Garrigues, the firm at which he has pursued almost his entire professional career.

His wealth of expertise in international arbitration proceedings conducted in English before the most prestigious institutions, mainly in Europe (such as the CCI, the LCIA, the Zurich Chamber of Commerce), makes him an authority in the firm's international arbitration practice. He has participated in some of the most high-profile cases taken on by Garrigues in recent years, particularly in relation to contracts, advising and defending clients in the industrial, energy, construction, shipping, automotive, hotel and pharmaceutical sectors, to name but a few.

He can also boast broad-ranging experience in domestic civil and commercial litigation and arbitration, particularly in distribution and unfair competition cases, and in the recognition and enforcement of foreign

judgments and awards

He lectures on the Master's Degree for Access to the Legal Profession at Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, having also lectured for a number of years on the Master's Degree in Business Law at the same institution, and on the Master's Degree in Energy Law offered by Club Español de la Energía. He has also spoken at seminars and conferences on arbitration and mediation at a number of specialist centers (IBA, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Kiev Arbitration Days run by the Ukrainian Bar Association, etc.).

## Academic background

Degree in Law from Universidad Complutense de Madrid (C.E.U. San Pablo).

MA in International and Comparative Business Law, London Guildhall University (today the London Metropolitan University).

## Teaching activity

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## Memberships

Francisco M. Serrano is a member of the Madrid Bar Association, of the governing board of ICC Spain and the Club Español e Iberoamericano de Arbitraje and is a member of the Club's Mediation Commission.

## Distinctions

Francisco M. Serrano has been singled out in publications such as Chambers&Partners, Legal500 and Best Lawyers, among others.

Chambers&Partners Global 2023 and Europe Guide 2022: *"Francisco Manuel Serrano Osobliwa is visible as counsel on ICSID arbitration proceedings and cross-border corporate disputes often involving Latin American elements". "Francisco Manuel quickly captures the essence of our issues and interests. He is very agile, direct and produces writing of high quality."*

Chambers&Partners Europe 2024 Guide: *"He is a creative and innovative litigator. He is able to communicate clearly and calmly even under the most challenging circumstances. He is a strong strategist."*