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Lino Torgal is the partner responsible for the department of Public, Energy and Environmental Law, since 2017, focusing particularly on law involving administrative concessions, public procurement, energy law and environmental law.

Lawyer and arbitrator. Graduated from the Lisbon University School of Law (Catholic Lisbon School of Law).

Experience

Before joining Garrigues, he was the founding partner of the firm Lino Torgal & Associados, between 2015 and 2017, and a partner at Sérvulo & Associados, from 2005 to 2014 (Managing Partner between 2012 and 2014). Previously, he collaborated with the firms of Dr. Mário Esteves de Oliveira (1993-1995) and Professor Diogo Freitas do Amaral (1999-2004).

He provides ongoing advice to financial operations acting in regulated sectors (in particular, energy (electricity and natural gas), water and sewage, waste and electronic communications).

He has advised developers, financiers, and awardees on multiple projects in the area of infrastructures (in particular in the port, rail, road and airport sectors), in Portugal, Latin America and Africa.

He has experience in arbitration, having been involved in the resolution of lawsuits relating to concession and other public agreements, as well as contract work and other civil or commercial agreements. He participated in such proceedings as lawyer or arbitrator. He is on the list of arbitrators of the Centro de Arbitragem Comercial da Câmara de Comércio e Indústria Portuguesa and the Instituto de Arbitragem Comercial da Associação Comercial do Porto.

He was a member of the Work Group appointed by the Joint Office of the Ministers of State and Finance and Public Works, Transport and Communication responsible for preparing the Public Procurement Code, in 2008.

He was elected as a member of the Bar Association Lisbon District Council (2005-2007).

Academic background

- Law Degree from the Catholic Lisbon School of Law (1993).
- Harvard Law School (Leadership in Law Firms, 2013).

Teaching activity

Since 1996 he has been lecturing in the Law Faculty of the Universidade Católica Portuguesa on various subjects of the degree (e.g. Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, Town Planning Law, Political Economy, International Economic Relations, Political Science) and, from 2007 to 2017, on the Master's in Administrative Law (Administrative Concessions and Project Finance, Public-Domain Asset Law, Administrative Business Law, Energy Law, Public Works Contracts).

He regularly lectures in postgraduate courses in the Law Faculty of the Universidade Católica (Lisbon and Oporto) and other Portuguese Law Faculties (Universidade de Lisboa and Universidade de Coimbra).

From 1995 to 1996, he was guest lecturer at the Law Faculty of the Universidade Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique (Introduction to Law and Constitutional Law) and, between 1998 and 2003, at the Law Faculty of the Universidade Nova de Lisboa (Administrative Law and Town Planning Law).

He has been invited to speak at numerous seminars, presentations and conferences held at university or similar institutions in Portugal and abroad (Angola, Mozambique, Cabo Verde, Brazil, Argentina, Peru, Colombia, Costa Rica and Uruguay), on various matters of Public Law and, especially, Administrative Law.

Memberships

- Member of the Portuguese Bar Association since 1995, and the Brazilian Bar Association since 2012.
- Member of the Club Español del Arbitraje.
- Member of the Associação Iberoamericana de Regulação Económica (Madrid / Buenos Aires) since 2007.
- He was elected as a member of the Bar Association Lisbon District Council (2005-2007).

Distinctions

He has been cited in Public Law issues by international law directories (e.g. Legal 500, Chambers & Partners).

Publications

- "Note on the new legal framework for energy efficiency management contracts" (co-authored with Rafael Ribeiro), in (organized by Miguel Assis Raimundo) *Contratos Públicos: presente e futuro*, Lisboa: AAFDL, 2022, p. 77 and following."
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- "Extension of the term of public service and work concessions", in *Revista de Contratos Públicos*, I, Coimbra, Jan.-Apr. 2011, pp. 219-263.
- "Public work concession and direct adjustment", in *Em Homenagem ao Professor Doutor Diogo Freitas do Amaral*, Coimbra: Almedina, 2010, p. 963-1026.
- "Change in Circumstances and Amendment of Proposals in Public Procurement Proceedings" (co-authored with J. M. Sérvulo Correia and Pedro Fernández Sánchez), in *Estudos de Contratação Pública*, III, org. Pedro Gonçalves, Coimbra: Coimbra Editora, 2010, pp. 149-200.
- "Contribution to a regime of works concession and public service procurement following unsolicited proposals" (co-authored with Marisa Martins Fonseca), in *Estudos de Homenagem ao Professor Doutor José Manuel Sérvulo Correia*, Coimbra: Coimbra Editora, 2010, pp. 523-571.
- "Competition Dialog", in *Desafíos del Derecho Administrativo Contemporáneo*, vol. II, org. Victor Hernández-Mendible, Caracas: Edición Paredes, 2009, pp. 997-1022.
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- “On the Framework Law in the Portuguese Constitution of 1976”, in Perspectivas Constitucionais. Nos 20 anos da Constituição de 1976, vol. II, org. de Jorge Miranda, Coimbra: Coimbra Editora, 1997, pp. 907-962.