



VIAC – Questionnaire for Arbitrators

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4. **Current position:** Arbitrator in Independent Practice / Rižnik Disputes
5. **Education:** University of Maribor, Faculty of Law
University of Vienna, PhD in Law (pending)
6. **Practiced experience in arbitration**
- How many arbitrations have you participated in (domestic/international); under which Rules?
29
Rules: VIAC, ICC, SCC, UNCITRAL, LCIA, Ljubljana Arbitration Centre, Finland Arbitration Institute
 - How often have you acted as Chairman?
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 - How often have you acted as Sole Arbitrator?
5 (4 ICC Cases, 1 VIAC Case)
 - How often have you acted as Co-Arbitrator?
1 (UNCITRAL Rules)
 - How often have you acted as Counsel?
5
 - How often have you acted in a different function (e.g. Administrative Secretary)?
18, both in commercial and investment arbitrations
7. **Publications and other activities in arbitration (e.g. training sessions, seminars, conferences, articles and others):**
- a) **Selected speaking engagements**
- *Tribunal Secretaries* | *Early Careers in ADR: tips for Young Professionals* | American Bar Association | online / New York | 8 May 2024
 - *Trends and Perspectives in the CEE Region* | *The Evolution of Arbitration in the CEE and Central Asia Regions: A Roadmap for the Future* | Paris Arbitration Week: Addleshaw Goddard | Paris | 19 March 2024
 - *Fireside Chat on the Role of Institutional Arbitration* | Young ICCA Mentoring Programme Retreat | ICC International Court of Arbitration | Paris, France | 15 December 2023
 - *Tribunal Secretaries in International Arbitration* | Africa in the Moot: Training | online | 14 December 2023

- *Arbitration in CEE* | ASAb40 Fall Seminar: ASAb40 is Global | Swiss Arbitration Association | Zurich | 27 October 2023
- *Ljubljana Arbitration Rules* | Arbitration - An Overlooked Tool for Settling Disputes | CMS Slovenia, Ljubljana Arbitration Centre | Ljubljana | 26 October 2023
- *Award Drafting: The Ultimate Taboo?* | Tribunal Secretary Network | online | 24 October 2023
- *CEE & CIS disputes – an outlook at the coming decade* | SCC East-West Forum | Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce | Budapest | 28 September 2023
- *Establishment of a Successful Arbitration Institution: Lessons learnt on the example of Ukraine?* | webinar | Young ICCA/Ukrainian Arbitration Association | 13 June 2023
- *Procedural Order No. 1 – Practical tool for adapting arbitral process to parties' needs* | workshop | Slovak Bar Association | 8 June 2023
- *How to Succeed in Arbitration as a CEE practitioner?* | Inaugural Conference of the Arbitration Association of Central and Eastern Europe | ArbCEE | Bratislava | 7 June 2023
- *Arbitrator Selection Methods and Criteria: Approaches to finding your tribunal* | world café table | Vienna Arbitration Days | ArbAut/ICC Austria/PCA/UNCITRAL/VIAC/YAAP | Vienna | 13 May 2023
- *ICC YAAF: Law firm associates in the digital era* | discussion leader | ICC YAAF | Prague | 10 May 2023
- *Stay and Bifurcation of Arbitral Proceedings* | YIAG Meets Vis | LCIA/YIAG | Vienna | 3 April 2023
- *Practical Considerations for Drafting an Award* | IBA Award Writing Workshop | Arb40 & YRAP | Bucharest | 17 February 2023
- *Arbitration under the Ljubljana Arbitration Rules* | Guest lecture at the University of Maribor | Maribor | 3 November 2022
- *Role of experts in international arbitration* | Rojs, Peljhan, Prelesnik & Partners, Ljubljana Arbitration Centre | Ljubljana | 2 June 2022
- *The AIAC Arbitration Rules 2021: Hot Button Topics* | Asian International Arbitration Centre, Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot | Panel Discussion Moderator | Vienna | 8 April 2022
- *Building a career in international arbitration* | ICAL Stockholm University, guest lecture | 24 January 2022
- *Trends in arbitration rule-making* | ICC YAF | online conference | 29 July 2021
- *ISDS Reform: Is a World Investment Court a solution to all our problems?* | Conference on the present and future of ISDS | ELTE Law University Budapest, European Law Institute, Hungarian hub | Budapest – online | 25 June 2021
- *Post COVID Era: How Will / Should we do Arbitration in the Future?* | Richard DeWitt Arbitration Conference, AmCham Slovakia and Comenius University of Bratislava | Bratislava – online | 3 June 2021  YouTube
- *Building A Career in International Arbitration* | Ukrainian Arbitration Association | 29 April 2021  YouTube
- *Drafting Arbitral Awards* | Austrian Arbitration Academy, University of Vienna | Vienna - online | February 2021
- *Challenges and Opportunities in International Arbitration* | ICC YAF and ICC National Committee of North Macedonia | Skopje – online | October 2020
- *International Arbitration Online: Lessons to Learn* | Ukrainian National Bar Association | Kyiv – online | July 2020

- *Drafting Arbitral Awards* | Austrian Arbitration Academy, University of Vienna | Vienna | February 2020
- *Recognition, enforcement and annulment of awards, Interaction between courts and tribunals in Austria and Belarus* | Minsk | September 2019
- *Public officials' declarations and position of Ukraine in front of foreign and international courts: International law perspective* | Ukrainian National Bar Association | Kyiv | August 2019
- *Arbitral Proceedings* | Austrian Arbitration Academy, University of Vienna | Strobl | July 2019
- *Nuts and bolts of investment arbitration* | University of Brno, Faculty of Law | Brno | May 2019
- *International arbitration as a means of dispute resolution* | University of Maribor, Faculty of Law | Maribor | May 2018
- *Arbitration Practitioners' Coffee Debate: Illegally obtained evidence shall not be admissible in international arbitration* | Kyiv | March 2019
- *Young ICCA Skills Training Workshop on Efficiency and Costs in International Arbitration* moderation | Zagreb | December 2018
- *The role of external experts, damages calculation in arbitral proceeding and other practical questions* | Deloitte Slovenia | Ljubljana | May 2018
- *Oxford-style debate: The noble goals of the new institutional rules on expedited proceedings will be foiled by due process paranoia* | 10th ICC YAF-YAAP Joint Conference Young approaches to arbitration | Vienna | March 2018
- *60th Anniversary of the New York Convention: Recent trends in the application of the Convention* | panel moderator | Joint UNCITRAL-LAC Conference on Dispute Settlement | Ljubljana | March 2018
- *Arbitrability of Concession Disputes: Recent Developments in Slovenia* | International Conference at the occasion of the 70th Anniversary of the Permanent Arbitration at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry | Belgrade | September 2017
- *New trends in organizing arbitral proceedings* | panel moderator | Joint UNCITRAL-LAC Conference on Dispute Settlement | Ljubljana | April 2017
- *The efficiency in the procedures applying the arbitration rules of the Ljubljana Arbitration Centre* | Sarajevo Arbitration Day | Sarajevo | February 2017
- *Secretive Tribunals of Highly Paid Corporate Lawyers? What's Going on With Investment Arbitration?* | Brno Arbitration Conference | Brno | February 2017
- *Cost control in international arbitration* | panel moderator | Joint UNCITRAL-LAC Conference on Dispute Settlement | Ljubljana | April 2016
- *International Commercial and Investment Arbitration* | University of Primorska | Koper | March 2015
- *Written Submissions by the Parties* | Slovenian arbitration conference | Ljubljana 2013
- *Time Limit for the Arbitral Award – A comparative overview* | Slovenian arbitration conference | Ljubljana 2012
- *Cross Border Dispute Resolution with Regard to Applicable Law in International Sales* | ICC National Committee of Slovenia and ICC International Court of Arbitration | Ljubljana | November 2010

b) Selected publications

- [Quick Answers on Drafting Agreements, Austria](#) | Kluwer Arbitration | Wolters Kluwer | The Netherlands, since 2020 (Co-author)
- [Austria – Trends and Developments](#) | Chambers and Partners International Arbitration Practice Guide 2020 | London, 2020 (Co-author)

- *Austria – Trends and Developments* | Chambers and Partners International Arbitration Practice Guide 2019 | London, 2019 (Co-author)
- *Arbitrability of concession disputes: digest of the case law of the Ljubljana Arbitration Centre and the Slovenian courts*, Javna uprava, 1/2, 54 2018, pp. 55-78 (Co-author)
- [Ljubljana Arbitration Centre at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia](#) | World Arbitration Reporter (WAR) | Juris Publishing 2015 (Co-author)
- [Legal Instruments and Practice of Arbitration in the EU](#) | European Parliament | A study conducted by the Brunel University London | Country reporter for Slovenia, 2015
- [Art. 77 CISG: Reasonableness of the Measures Undertaken to Mitigate the Loss](#) | Copenhagen University, Faculty of Law, University of Maribor, Faculty of Law | Copenhagen, Maribor 2009
- [Mednarodna prodaja blaga, Konvencija Združenih narodov o pogodbah o mednarodni prodaji blaga](#) [International Sale of Goods, United Nations Convention on the Contracts for the International Sale of Goods] | Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia | Ljubljana 2009 (Co-author), 234 pages
- [Some Aspects of Loss Mitigation in International Sale of Goods](#) | The Vindobona Journal of International Commercial Law and Arbitration | Moot Alumni Association | September 2010, Vienna | pp. 251-274
- *Cases relating to the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards - The New York Convention* | United Nations General Assembly, Case Law on UNCITRAL Texts | UN Doc. [A/CN.9/SER.C/ABSTRACTS/121](#)
- *Abstracts of cases relating to the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods and to the Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods* | United Nations General Assembly, Case Law on UNCITRAL Texts | UN Doc. [A/CN.9/SER.C/ABSTRACTS/118](#)
- *Practical implications of the case of EDF (Services) Ltd. v. Romania* | Fodor, E-M., Popovici, P., Buzdugan, C. (eds.), *Efficiency of legal norms* | Editura Hamangiu | Bucharest 2012
- *Z novimi pravili do sodobne arbitraže: vloga in naloge arbitrov po novih Ljubljanskih arbitražnih pravilih* [The role of arbitrators under the new Ljubljana Arbitration Rules] | Pravna praksa | Ljubljana, May 2014 | pp. 12-14 (Co-author)
- *Arbitražna pravila UNCITRAL: (spremenjena 2010)* [Translation of the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules (2010) into Slovenian] | Slovenska arbitražna praksa 2/1 | Ljubljana 2013 | pp. 59-73 (Co-author)
- *Smernice IBA za zastopanje strank v mednarodni arbitraži* [IBA Guidelines on Party Representation in International Arbitration] | Slovenska arbitražna praksa 2/2 | Ljubljana, June 2013 | p. 80
- *Časovna omejitev za izdajo arbitražne odločbe* [Time-limit for the rendering of arbitral awards] | Slovenska arbitražna praksa 1/1 | Ljubljana, November 2012 | pp. 18-21
- *Digesta (2012) Vzorčnega zakona UNCITRAL* [The 2012 Digest of the UNCITRAL Model Law] | Slovenska arbitražna praksa 1/1 | Ljubljana, November 2012 | p. 69
- *Težave pri uporabi konvencij Uncitralskega področja mednarodne prodaje blaga* [Problems and issues in the application of UNCITRAL Conventions on international sale of goods] | Pravna praksa 31/15 | Ljubljana, April 2012 | pp. 13-15
- *Klavzula FCA Incoterms 2010 kot del prodajne pogodbe* [Clause FCA Incoterms 2010 as part of a sales agreement] | Pravna praksa 30/2 | Ljubljana, January 2011 | pp. 10-11
- *Klavzula FAS Incoterms 2010 kot del prodajne pogodbe* [Clause FAS Incoterms 2010 as part of a sales agreement] | Pravna praksa 30/8 | Ljubljana, March 2011 | pp. 13-15 (Co-author)
- *Vključitev novih klavzul DAT in DAP Incoterms 2010 v prodajno pogodbo* [Incorporating the new DAT and DAP Incoterms 2010 clauses in a sales agreement] | Pravna praksa 30/5 | Ljubljana, February 2011 | pp.15-17 (Co-author)

- *Klavzula CFR Incoterms 2010* [CFR Incoterms 2010] | Pravna praksa 30/11 | Ljubljana, March 2011 | pp.15-17
- *Alternativno reševanje delovnih sporov s podporo socialnega dialoga ali Kaj je o tem dobro vedeti*, [Alternative resolution of labour law disputes with the support of the social dialogue] | Natlačen, M. et al. (eds) | Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia | Ljubljana 2011 (Contributor)
- *Incoterms 2010: pravila ICC za uporabo trgovinskih klavzul v domači in mednarodni trgovini* [ICC rules for the use of domestic and international trade terms], Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia, Ljubljana 2010 (Co-author)
- *Incoterms 2010* | Pravna praksa 29/45 | Ljubljana, November 2010 | pp. II-VIII (Co-author)
- *Temeljna načela postopkov pri alternativnem reševanju sporov v delovnih razmerjih, njihov potek in odločitve* [Basic principles of alternative resolution of labour law disputes], | in Natlačen, M. et al., *Alternativno reševanje delovnopравниh sporov s podporo socialnega dialoga - študija* | [Alternative dispute resolution in labour law with the support of social dialogue] | Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Slovenia | Ljubljana 2010

8. Membership in arbitral institutions / functions in arbitral institutions/organizations:

- ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR – Member
- ICC Commission Task Force on Corruption – Member
- Moot Alumni Association – Vice-President
- Campaign for Greener Arbitrations – Europe Regional Committee
- Young International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA), Mentoring Programme (immediate past co-director)

9. Languages

Mother tongue: **Slovenian**

Working languages (i.e. languages in which you have both a spoken and written command so that you may conduct arbitral proceedings in this language): **English, German, Bosnian/Serbian/Croatian**

Other languages in which I can read exhibits: **French, Romanian, Danish. I have a basic understanding of all Slavic languages.**

10. In which legal systems have you trained?

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Civil Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Common Law | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Austrian Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Hungarian Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Swiss Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Czech Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Polish Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Ukrainian Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> German Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Slovakian Law <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> European Law |

Other: **Slovenian law**

11. Special expertise or specializations (please list a maximum of five):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust/Unfair competition | <input type="checkbox"/> Damages | <input type="checkbox"/> Insolvency | <input type="checkbox"/> Natural resources |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aviation | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Power plants |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banking & Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Domain name disputes | <input type="checkbox"/> Intellect. property (IP) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Intern. Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capital markets | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investment arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Intern. Law |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CISG | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Energy | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ISDS/Foreign inves. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Real estate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civil fraud disputes | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Joint ventures | <input type="checkbox"/> Shipping |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial disp. / transactions | <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commodity market | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare & Pharmac. | <input type="checkbox"/> Life sciences | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State/Public contracts |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Company/Corporate/M&A | <input type="checkbox"/> Hotel/Gastro./Tour. | <input type="checkbox"/> Maritime arbitration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inform. technology (IT) | <input type="checkbox"/> Media | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Telecommunication |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract law | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure | <input type="checkbox"/> Mining | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other : Outer space industry | | | |

12. Date of birth: 1984

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I have completed this questionnaire to the above to the best of my knowledge and believe they are accurate.

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29 March 2024

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