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Specialist in construction/engineering projects and disputes in Latin America, Europe and Asia, as inhouse counsel, external counsel, arbitrator, dispute board member and legal expert.

Currently working as disputes global expert at the Engie Group and general counsel of Engie in Peru. Lecturer in construction law and dispute prevention/resolution in Peru and visiting lecturer at Universidad de los Andes, Chile and Universidad del Rosario, Argentina. Managed translation and adaptation of the FAC 1 Framework Alliance Contract into Spanish.

Arbitrator involved mainly in construction/engineering disputes related to private and public works contracts for construction of power plants, mineral processing plants, sewage projects, roads, hospitals, shopping malls, schools, buildings and public private partnership contracts. Recognized as a distinguished arbitrator by Arbitrator Intelligence and as a highly recommended arbitrator by Leaders League 2017-2022.

Previously deputy general counsel of Volcan Compañía Minera S.A.A., a Peruvian mining company, leading legal strategy and working on a wide range of legal matters related to mining and energy projects, M&A, corporate finance, commercialization of minerals, labor and tax.

Previously, legal counsel at Alstom Power's (now part of General Electric) headquarters in Switzerland, dealing with all legal matters related to the power service business, negotiating engineering and construction contracts worldwide. Managed engineering and construction disputes for Hogan Lovells in London and financing transactions, M&A, PFI/PPP, real estate, banking and antitrust for a leading law firm in Peru.

Msc in Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, Kings College London and Kings College London alumni leader in Peru. Member of the ICC Arbitration and ADR Commission and the ICC Latin American Group. Regularly speaks at local and international conferences and publishes articles on law and other topics. Founder of the Peruvian Society of Construction Law. Co-leader of one of the working groups of ICC's task force on "Arbitration and ADR". Member of ICC's task force on "Arbitration of Climate Change Related Disputes".

Eric is used to working on international environments and teams. He has lived and worked in Japan, Switzerland, England and Peru and is fluent in Spanish and English, with basic knowledge of German and Japanese.

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