

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PERSONAL DATA

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EDUCATION

Law Licentiate Degree - Faculty of Law of Bucharest University, 1975, with "Diploma of Merit", as valedictorian.

Doctor (Ph.D.) in Law, 1982. Field of the doctoral thesis: international commercial arbitration.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professor (since 1998), **Assistant Professor** (1993-1998), **Senior Lecturer** (1990-1993) and **Assistant-Lecturer** (1978-1990) at the Faculty of Law of Bucharest University.

Professor at the Faculty of Law of University "Nicolae Titulescu" of Bucharest (since 1990). Founding Member of the University.

Domains of teaching: International Commercial Law and Private International Law (at license level), International Commercial Contracts and International Arbitration (at master level, in Romanian and English).

Scientific Tutor for Doctoral Degrees (Ph.D.), in the International Commercial Law, Private International Law and International Arbitration (since 2000).

Member of the Senate of Bucharest University (2004 - 2008).

Member of the Council of the Faculty of Law (1990 - 2017).

Chief of the Department of Private Law in the Faculty of Law of Bucharest University (1998 - 2006).

Member of the High Commission for Settlement of Contestations regarding the Academic Degrees of the Romanian Ministry of Education (2007 - 2011).

Attorney at law, member of the Bucharest Bar Association (since 1990), with professional capacity for the High Court of Cassation and Justice and for the Constitutional Court. Specialized in International Commercial Law (companies and partnerships, contracts, negotiable instruments and bank operations, international arbitration and any kind of commercial litigation), Private International Law and Civil Law. Nominated on the lawyer lists of the Embassies of the U.S.A., Australia, Norway etc., in Bucharest.

Arbitrator at the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania (since 1993), acting as co-arbitrator, president of the arbitral tribunal and sole arbitrator in more than one hundred international and domestic cases.

Arbitrator at the Court of Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Navigation Constanta, Romania (since 2004), at the Bucharest Stock Exchange Arbitration Court (2006 - 2012) and at the Permanent Court of Arbitration attached to the Romanian-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Bucharest (since 2020).

Arbitrator at the International Court of Arbitration (ICA) of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) in Paris, France (since 1997), acting as co-arbitrator, president of the arbitral tribunal and sole arbitrator in more than twenty-five international cases.

Arbitrator at the International Arbitral Centre of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, Vienna, Austria (since 2004); the Arbitration Court attached to the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Budapest (since 2004); Shanghai International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission, Shanghai International Arbitration Center (since 2015); European Mediation & Arbitration Organization - EODID Athens (since 2017); Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (2019-2022).

Arbitrator in more than six *ad hoc* international arbitration cases, including under UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules.

Fields of specialization as arbitrator: corporate law, joint ventures and cooperation, construction law including FIDIC contracts, distribution and franchising, agency (representation), sale-purchases, energy and natural resources, environment, banking, investment and public procurement, maritime, real estate, transport, insurance.

Arbitral Awards rendered in Romanian, English and French.

Member of the Steering Board of the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania (2014-2015).

Member of the Panel of Conciliators and Arbitrators of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), Washington D.C., U.S.A., designated by Romania as Contracting State (2008-2014, 2016-2022 and 2022-2028).

Member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration, appointed by the World Council, at the proposal of the ICC Romania National Committee (2016-2018).

Member of the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR and Country Rapporteur for Romania in the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR Task Force on "National Rules of Procedure for Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Awards pursuant to the New York Convention of 1958", appointed by the Romanian National Committee of the ICC (since 2011).

Member of the Working Group for Arbitration and Conciliation of UNCITRAL (since 2016).

Member of the ICC Central and Eastern European Arbitration Group - CEEAG (since 2017).

Member of the International Council for Commercial Arbitration - ICCA (since 2018)

Former Judge at Courts of Justice in Bucharest (1975-1978). Classified the first on Romania's national level exam for acceding to the profession of certified magistrate (1977).

SCIENTIFIC EXPERIENCE

Author of two academic treatises and more than 40 monographs and articles in the field of International Commercial Law, Private International Law, International Commercial Arbitration and Civil Law, edited in Romania and abroad.

Main academic treatises published in Romanian (latest editions):

- Private International Law, Treatise (780 pages), C.H. Beck Publishing House, Bucharest, 2013.
- International Commercial Law, Treatise, General Part (719 pages) and Special Part (457 pages), Universul Juridic Publishing House, Bucharest, 2017

Main legal works published in English (latest editions):

- Chapter "Romania" in "Legal Aspects of Doing Business in Europe", Kluwer Law and Taxation Publishers, U.S.A., Supp. 9 in International Business Series, edited by the Center for International Legal Studies, Salzburg, Austria, 1998.
- Country Report for "Romania", in ICC Guide to National Procedures for Recognition and Enforcement of Awards under the New York Convention, edited by ICC International Court of Arbitration Bulletin, vol. 23/Special Supplement - 2012, published in 2013.
- Doing Business in Romania, in Comparative Law Yearbook of International Business, vol. 35/2013, p. 59 - 110, Wolters Kluwer - Law and Business Publishing House, under the auspices of the Center for International Legal Studies, Salzburg, Austria, published in 2013 (as co-author).

- "Corporations and Partnerships in Romania", in "International Encyclopaedia of Laws", published by Kluwer Law International BV, The Netherlands, 2014 (as co-author).
- "The Applicable Law in International Arbitration", in Arbitration in Romania: A Practitioner's Guide, published by Kluwer Law International, The Netherlands, 2016 (as co-author)
- "Private International Law in Romania", in "International Encyclopaedia of Laws", published by Kluwer Law International BV, The Netherlands, 2016 (as general author and coordinator).

Conferences delivered in Romania and abroad (U.S.A., Great Britain, Belgium, Finland, Denmark etc.), in the field of Commercial International Law.

Legal advises issued for Romanian and foreign clients (banks, companies and personalities from Europe, America etc.). Co-author of the draft of the Romanian Foreign Commercial Code, 1979/1986.

Expert on Romanian Law nominated before several foreign courts of justice and arbitration institutions (i.e. arbitration courts in London, London Court of Appeal, International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce of Paris, UNCITRAL arbitrations in Paris, London, Geneva, Vienna etc.).

Member of the Scientific Council of the "Romanian Magazine of Arbitration", published by the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania (since 2007).

Member of the Scientific Council of the "Maritime Law Review", published by Universul Juridic Publishing House (since 2010).

Legal opinions issued at the request of the High Court of Cassation and Justice in appeals in the interest of the law and in order to give a preliminary ruling on the resolution of a matter of law (2016, 2017 and 2018)

MASTERSHIPS ATTENDED OUTSIDE ROMANIA

1. International Institute of Human Rights, Strasbourg, France (1981).
2. Mastership for Documentation on Higher Education, Great Britain (1991).
3. Mastership within the "TEMPUS" Program, at the Université Libre of Brussels (Belgium) and the Bradford University (Great Britain), 1992.
4. Titular of a NATO Mastership on "Democratic Institutions"(1992-1993), with the theme: "The Trade Companies and the Stock Exchanges, Instruments for Speeding - up the Privatization During the Period of Transition to the Market Economy in Romania; the Consonance of their Legal Regime with the International Law in the Matter".

MEMBERSHIPS

1. "Fellow" of the Centre for International Understanding, St. Louis, Missouri, U.S.A. (1983)
2. Member of the Foundation "Nicolae Titulescu", Bucharest (since 1990)
3. "Honorary Membership" in the Association of Fellows and Legal Scholars of the Center for International Legal Studies, Salzburg, Austria (1991).
4. Member of the International Law Association - I.L.A. (since 2003)
5. Member of the International Bar Association (2016/2017).

DISTINCTIONS

1. Prize "I.L. Georgescu" of the Romanian Association of Lawyers, for the Treatise "Private International Law" (1997)
2. "Man of the Year 2000", proclaimed by the American Biographical Institute, U.S.A.
3. Prize "Nicolae Titulescu" of the Romanian Academy, for the Treatise "International Commercial Law" (2010)
4. Prize "I.L. Georgescu" of the Romanian Association of Lawyers, for the Treatise "International Commercial Law" (2017)
5. Excellence Prize "Stanciu D. Cărpărenaru", for the best article published in the Romanian Review of Commercial Law in the year 2020, conferred by the Romanian Review of Commercial Law at the National Conference of Commercial Law "Stanciu. D. Cărpărenaru" (Bucharest, 24 November 2021)

PARTICIPATION AT MAJOR INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC REUNIONS

- 1) International Symposium on "Consumer Protection in A Changing World", organised by Tokai University European Center, Vedbaek, Denmark, 3-4 Mai 1991
- 2) Eason - Weinmann Colloquium on "The Impact of European Integration: Beyond 1992", organised by Tulane Law School - New Orleans and the Institute of International Economic Law, Faculty of Law, University of Helsinki (Finland), 3 - 4 June 1992
- 3) 1-st World Law Conference on "Law in Motion", organised by International Encyclopaedia of Laws, Brussels (Belgium), 9 - 12 September 1996
- 4) The 33-rd Session of UNCITRAL, United Nations, New York, S.U.A., 28 June - 10 July 2000
- 5) International Seminar on "Arbitration in Air and Space Law including Telecommunications Activities: Enforcing Regulatory Measures", The Hague (The Netherlands), 23 February 2001
- 6) International Seminar on "Austria and its Neighbours - Arbitration Today and Tomorrow", Vienna (Austria), 11 April 2003
- 7) International Seminar on "The Marriage of Arbitration and ADR", London (Great Britain), 26 September 2003
- 8) International Seminar on "Implications for the Future of the International Commercial Arbitration", The Hague (The Netherlands), 22 - 23 April 2004
- 9) The XVII Conference of International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) on "New Horizon in International Commercial Arbitration and Beyond", Beijing (China), 16 - 18 May 2004

- 10) International Colloquium on "Codes et codification", organised by Laval University, Quebec, Canada, 19 - 21 September 2004
- 11) International Conference of the Venice Court of Arbitration (VENCA) on "The Evolution of International Arbitration in the E.U.: Jurisprudence and Professional Practice", Venice (Italy), 16 - 17 September 2005
- 12) "ICC and ICC India Events", New Delhi (India), 29 November - 1 December 2006
- 13) International Congress of International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) on "Arbitration Advocacy In Changing Times", Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), 24 - 27 May 2010
- 14) 14-th Annual International Arbitration Day, on "The inherent powers of arbitral tribunals: good faith, ethics and efficiency in international arbitration", organised by International Bar Association, 3-4 March 2011, Seoul, South Korea
- 15) International Conference "Practical Aspects in the Application of Arbitration Procedure Rules: Comparative Perspective of the ICC Arbitration Rules 2012 and the Arbitration Rules of the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry", Bucharest, 11 November 2011
- 16) 15-th Annual International Arbitration Day, on "Neutrality: myth or reality?", organised by International Bar Association, 8-9 March 2012, Stockholm, Sweden
- 17) International Conference "Modern Trends in International Commercial Arbitration", organised by the Faculty of Law of Bucharest University, 7 September 2012
- 18) 16-th Annual International Arbitration Day, on "Making the Award: need we rethink the process?" organised by International Bar Association, 21-22 February 2013, Bogota, Columbia
- 19) International Congress of International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA) on "Legitimacy: Myths, Realities, Challenges", Miami (U.S.A.), 6 - 9 April 2014
- 20) International Conference "New Perspectives in Construction Law", organised by the Romanian Society of Construction Law, Bucharest, 19-21 March 2015
- 21) 4th World Conference on Business, Economics and Management, 30 April -2 May 2015, Izmir, Turkey
- 22) International Conference "International Arbitration LLM Alumni meet Practitioners", on "States and State Enterprises in International Arbitration", organised by the Faculty of Law of Bucharest University, 16 October 2015
- 23) International Conference "Arbitration in Eastern Europe - Trends and Developments", organised by the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania, in association with European Arbitration Group, Bucharest, 24 November 2015
- 24) ICON-S Conference on "Borders, Otherness and Public Law", held at Humboldt University Berlin, Germany, 17-19 June 2016
- 25) 11th ICC New York Conference on International Arbitration, New York, U.S.A., 14 September 2016
- 26) Annual Conference of the International Bar Association, 8-23 September 2016, Washington D.C., U.S.A.
- 27) Conference "Difficult Problems in Arbitration", organised by Juridice.ro, at the headquarters of the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry", Bucharest, 16 February 2017

- 28) Conference "Arbitration in Highly Regulated Sectors: Energy, Telecom, Pharma, Banking & Finance", organised by the Club Español del Arbitraje, in cooperation with the ICC and ICC Belgium, Brussels, 17 February 2017
- 29) 20-th Annual International Arbitration Day, on "Burden and standard of proof in international arbitration and related proceedings", organised by International Bar Association, 30-31 March 2017, Milano, Italy
- 30) Annual Conference of the International Bar Association, 8-13 October 2017, Sydney, Australia
- 31) ICC Institute of World Business Law Working Session, 5-7 March 2018, Tokyo, Japan.
- 32) Conference "International Law and Emerging Powers: New Policy Challenges in Asia-Pacific", 17-18 May 2019, Taipei, Taiwan
- 33) Conference "Bucharest Arbitration Days - "Is there a Need to Reform International Arbitration?", organised by the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania, 6-7 June 2019, Bucharest
- 34) The 3-re Annual Conference of the Permanent Court of Arbitration nearby the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Romania-Germany (AHK): A Practical Guide to Arbitration, 15 October 2019, Bucharest
- 35) Dubai Arbitration Week, 17-21 November 2019, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- 36) Conference organized by the Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIR), in cooperation with the Commercial Section of the U.S. Embassy in Bucharest, U.S. Anti-Corruption Best Practices – Education And Prevention, 11 January 2022, Bucharest
- 37) Conference "Bucharest Arbitration Days - Timely Perspectives on Energy Disputes and Their Resolution Mechanism", organised by the Court of International Commercial Arbitration attached to the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Romania, 9-10 June 2022.

Fluent in **English** and **French**.

28 June 2022