

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Date of Birth: March 21, 1947

Nationality: Belgian

Was bestowed the title of '*Baron*' by H.M. the King of the Belgians for his contribution to international dispute settlement (Royal Decree July 10, 2016).

PRESENT FUNCTIONS

Independent Arbitrator

Professor International Arbitration, Leuven Law School

Vice-Chairman Appeals Committee – European Patent Office

PAST FUNCTIONS

I.a.

President Iran-United States Claims Tribunal – The Hague (2011- 2017)

Judge Iran-United States Claims Tribunal – The Hague (2018- 2020)

Avocat (1970- 2009)

Litigation Partner Stibbe – Brussels (1990 – 1999)

Professor, Chair of International Public Law and European Law (1980-1990)

Professor, Chair of International Business law and Conflict of Laws (1990-2009)

President Eritrea-Ethiopia Claims Commission – The Hague (2001-2009)

International Commissioner - Real Property Claims Commission (Bosnia), (1996-2003).

Member of the United Nations Compensation Commission, Geneva (1998-2001)

Arbitrator and Senior Judge at the Claims Resolution Tribunal for Dormant Bank Accounts (Switzerland) (1998-2002).

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Dr. Jur., University of Leuven - magna cum laude 1969

Licence European Law, University of Leuven – magna cum laude 1970

LLM, University of Harvard - 1971

Diploma cum laude, Academy International Law of The Hague - 1977

Doctor, University of Leuven – 1978

Fellow Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – London (FCI Arb.)

Membre de l'Institut de Droit International

LANGUAGES

English, French and Dutch

German (full spoken and written comprehension)

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE

Acted as chairman, sole arbitrator or party-appointed arbitrator in over 200 international arbitration proceedings.

Investment Dispute Arbitrations:

ICSID Tribunals:

- Sancheti vs. Germany (ICSID-appointed UNCITRAL – 1998) – Chairman;
- CSOB vs./ Slovak Republic (97/4) – Chairman;
- Mobil Investments Canada vs./ Canada (07/04) – NAFTA - Chairman
- Toto Costruzioni vs./ Lebanon (07/12) – Chairman;
- S&T vs. / Romania (07/13) – Chairman ;
- Saba Fakes vs. / Turkey (07/20) – Co-arbitrator
- Nova Scotia Power Inc. vs/ Venezuela – Chairman (AF 11/1).
- Gavazzi vs./ Romania –Chairman (12/25)
- Utsch Movers e.a. vs./ Egypt – Chairman (13/37)
- LP Egypt Holdings e.a. vs/ Egypt (ARB 16/37)
- Günes Tekstil vs. Usbekistan – Chairman (13/19)
- Casinos Austria International GmbH vs. Argentina- Chairman (14/32)
- Alhambra Resources Ltd. e.a. vs. Kazakhstan - Chairman (16/12)

Other Investment Arbitrations:

- 2 arbitrations under the arbitration rules of the European Investment Fund
- 2 arbitrations under the PCA Environmental Arbitration Rules
- 1 ad hoc investment arbitration
- 1 SCC Investment arbitration
- 8 arbitrations under the UNCITRAL Rules

Commercial Dispute Arbitrations:

Appointments as arbitrator by the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), the American Arbitration Association, the Permanent Court of Arbitration, the European Development Fund, CEPANI, the Netherlands Arbitration Institute, the Polish Chamber of Foreign Trade, the Vienna Arbitration Centre, the United Nations, Association Française d'Arbitrage, the Geneva Chamber of International Commerce, etc.

Listed Member of Arbitrators Panel of i.a. Vienna Arbitration Centre, Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration, Hong Kong Arbitration Centre, Korea Arbitration Centre, etc.

Acted as counsel in numerous arbitration proceedings (ad hoc arbitration, ICC, CEPANI, LCIA, Chambre arbitrale de Paris, UNCITRAL).

The subject matters covered include i.a. state contracts, turn-key projects, construction, engineering, public works (e.g. dam , power plant, roads, subway), investment contracts, BIT's, joint ventures, IT, share evaluations, international sales, agency and distributorship, transfer of technology, patents, cooperation agreements, software developments, shipping of goods, oil contracts , antitrust issues, mergers and acquisitions, securities trade, economic sanctions, export insurance, rescheduling of public debts, UN Boycott, NAFTA, etc.

Standing arbitrator for Agreements regulating the cigarette trade, concluded between the European Union and ten European Member States as well as by the Republic of Colombia, and four cigarette consortia.

Arbitration- related Activities:

Tribunal Appointed Expert in Guyana vs. Suriname in an interstate-arbitration before the Permanent Court of Arbitration (The Hague - 2006).

Appointing Authority in UNCITRAL arbitrations

ARBITRATION RELATED ACTIVITIES

Regular lectures at the arbitration training programs and seminars of the International Centre for Dispute Resolution of the American Arbitration Association, the International Chamber of Commerce, the School of International Arbitration, the International Bar Association etc.

Trustee of the Dubai International Arbitration Centre (2004 - 2008).

Member of the Commission on International Arbitration (International Chamber of Commerce- Paris).

Member of the Milan Club of Arbitrators.

Member of working groups on arbitration in the framework of the International Bar Association, the International Chamber of Commerce, International Law Association, etc.

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Membre de l'Institut de Droit International

International Law Association (ILA)

- member, Arbitration Committee

- member, Committee on International Civil Litigation

Past Secretary-General: International Law Association- Belgian branch

Past Vice-President, CEPANI (Belgian Arbitration Institute);

Mediator, Brussels Business Mediation Centre

Member International Arbitration Commission - International Chamber of Commerce

International Bar Association (IBA)- Past- Chairman, International Sales Committee;

Board of Directors, Société belge pour le droit international

Member Association Suisse de l'Arbitrage.

Member Arbitration Club Milan

Past Secretary-General : Société belge de Droit International