

# ARBITRATION

When it comes to arbitration proceedings, knowing the law is sometimes not enough; you need a team which knows the rules, and which knows the major players in the field. This is a huge advantage when it comes to choosing the right arbitrator and maximising your chance of success.

The experts in our 13 offices act as counsel in domestic and international arbitration proceedings. Additionally, team members have specialized expertise in industry sectors such as energy or construction and infrastructure, and fields such as post M&A disputes. The benefit for you? **Seamless service and the necessary specialized industry and legal expertise to meet your business needs.**

## AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

### Commercial Arbitration

Our regional team has the knowledge and capacity to advise you on all aspects of domestic and international commercial arbitration proceedings. Many of our cases involve cross-border elements, meaning you benefit from our international network of offices and our ability to deal with multijurisdictional issues effectively. We have experience acting under major arbitration rules, such as UNCITRAL, ICC, and LCIA, as well as those of the national Arbitration Courts attached to the respective Chambers of Commerce in the CEE/SEE region, and in ad-hoc arbitration proceedings.

### Investment Treaty Arbitration

Whether you are an investor or a sovereign state, we can assist you in resolving disputes that arise under bilateral and multilateral investment treaties, and have experience acting under both the ICSID and UNCITRAL Rules. Prevention is better than cure. If you are an investor, we can also advise you on the structuring and restructuring of your overseas investments to secure investment treaty protection.

### Arbitration-related Court Proceedings

We represent you in all court-related arbitration proceedings; including obtaining interim injunctions to protect your assets both before and during arbitration, representing you in setting-aside proceedings as well as advising on the recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards. Where enforcement looks like being particularly difficult or time-consuming, or when assets are split between several countries, our asset tracing experts help identify the most strategically important jurisdictions for you.

### Energy Arbitration

Energy is a complex sector; characterised by high investment costs, long-term contracts and state involvement. The stakes are high and consequently, investment treaty arbitration under bilateral or multilateral treaties – especially the Energy Charter Treaty – is common. To be successful in energy arbitration proceedings you need a team which understands and deals on a daily basis with the complex regulations of the energy industry, and which also knows the ins and outs of arbitration proceedings. Our team does both.

### Construction & Infrastructure Arbitration

Large construction and infrastructure projects often have an international or regional context. Due to the scale and complexity of such projects, disputes when they happen tend to be multi-party and multi-tier. In addition, disputes rarely centre 'only' on legal questions; a sound knowledge of the industry itself is essential. Our construction experts are qualified as engineers or certified FIDIC-Adjudicators and have direct industry experience. This, together with the regional coverage of Wolf Theiss, gives us and - more importantly - you an unbeatable advantage.



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Unrivalled in terms of capabilities in Austria and CEE, very convenient one-stop-shop for multi-jurisdictional cases." Wolf Theiss acts for clients in post-M&A, telecoms and construction disputes as well as investment arbitration proceedings, with notable expertise in the energy, construction, infrastructure and telecoms sectors.

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