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Practice

Moritz heads our arbitration practice in Vienna. He acts in both commercial and treaty arbitration proceedings, with a focus on Austria, Germany and central and eastern Europe.

Moritz has acted for private clients, public entities and states in proceedings conducted under a variety of arbitration rules, such as the ICSID, ICC, UNCITRAL and DIS rules as well as ad hoc proceedings. While Moritz regularly represents clients in post-M&A disputes, he has further acted for a number of important players in the energy and natural resources sector.

Moritz also frequently advises financial institutions on their most complex and often cross-border disputes. In recent years, he has taken on more and more matters in the pharmaceuticals and consumer products sectors

About

Having been in residence at the University of Wisconsin (Madison) Law School as a visiting assistant professor, he teaches courses on international arbitration involving private investors and states at the University of Passau (Germany). Moritz regularly publishes articles on dispute resolution and international arbitration.

Moritz completed his legal education at the University of Gießen (Germany) and the University of Wisconsin (Madison) Law School (U.S.A.) where he was awarded the degree of master of laws (LL.M.). He received his Doctor of Law (Dr. iur.) degree from the University of Gießen with distinction (summa cum laude).

He speaks German and English.

Recent deals & highlights

- Representing the Croatian Banking Association on initial steps to be taken in response to the Croatian measures;
- Representing the Government of Romania in ICSID arbitration proceedings, including in Micula et al. vs. Romania, a case involving a conflict between EU State aid law and the bilateral investment treaty between Romania and Sweden;
- Representing a leading German energy conglomerate in relation to its investment claims under the Energy Charter Treaty and the applicable bilateral investment treaty against an Eastern European State;
- Representing a gas import and distribution company in three separate matters against a major European gas producer involving a long-term, large-volume natural gas delivery contract including competition law aspects;
- Representing various west European gas importers in negotiations and arbitration disputes on price adjustments under long-term gas sales agreements;
- Representing a German energy group against an Austrian energy company in relation to a long term gas transport agreements; and
- Representing a leading Western bank in high-value, complex ICC arbitration proceedings in relation to its investment and later sale of its subsidiary in a CIS state.