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Anne-Karin Grill is an experienced international arbitration lawyer and well-versed in other forms of alternative dispute resolution (ADR), especially mediation. Anne-Karin advises clients in commercial arbitration proceedings in accordance with the rules of key arbitral institutions and has an excellent track-record in investor-state arbitration. In addition to her advocacy work before international tribunals, Anne-Karin serves as arbitrator and acts as CEDR accredited mediator in multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes. She also advises in litigation proceedings before the Austrian state courts, in particular in proceedings for the domestic enforcement or setting-aside of international arbitral awards.

Who's Who Legal (2021) ranks Anne-Karin among the leading Austrian arbitration practitioners and emphasizes her personal dedication in defending her clients' interests ("*Simply brilliant and absolutely charming.*" "*Dedicated and professional, with a curious mind.*" "*Clients adore her for her sound commercial judgment and persuasive advocacy.*") The publication also describes her as "*one of the top picks for international law and investment cases.*" The Legal 500 (2020) refers to her as the "*go-to mediation specialist*" in Austria.

Anne-Karin is a member of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), a member of the Board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb|Aut), and she also serves on the Mediation Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC). Upon the nomination of the Republic of Austria, Anne-Karin was appointed to the Panel of Conciliators of the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID).

Anne-Karin has received much acclaim for her work as dispute resolution partner at a leading CEE law firm and later at a prominent Austrian entity. Since 2020, her vision of modern dispute resolution services supports her own legal advisory business: AKG ADVISORY is an international ADR-focused boutique based in the heart of Europe with a truly global outlook and corporate client-base.

AKG ADVISORY

1. NATIONALITY

- Austrian

2. LANGUAGES

- German (native)
- English
- French,
- Swedish

3. PRACTICE AREAS

- Dispute Resolution
- Commercial Arbitration (CEDR Accredited Mediator) | Mediation
- Investor-State Arbitration | Conciliation | Mediation
- Commercial Litigation

4. POSITIONS

- Member of the ICSID Panel of Conciliators (Austria) *Database of ICSID Panels | ICSID (worldbank.org)*
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb) <https://www.ciarb.org>
- Member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration <https://iccwbo.org/>
- Member of the Board of the Austrian Arbitration Association (Arb|Aut) www.arbitration-austria.at
- Member of the Mediation Advisory Board of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC) www.viac.eu
- Member of the Panel of Mediators of the Energy Community www.energy-community.org
- Member of the List of Arbitrators/Mediators of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC) <http://www.hkiac.org/arbitration/arbitrators/panel-and-list-of-arbitrators>
- Member of Médiation & Résolution <https://mediation-resolution.net>
- Member of the Editorial Board of German language journal "KonfliktDynamik" www.kd.nomos.de
- President of the Georgetown University Club of Austria <https://alumni.georgetown.edu/club/club-austria>

5. MEMBERSHIPS

- Vienna Bar Association
- International Bar Association (IBA)
- Inter-Pacific Bar Association (IPBA)
- The London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA)
- CEDR Exchange

6. EDUCATION AND TRAININGS

- BRDGES Academy, Intercultural Certificate Training (2020)
- CEDR and World Bank, Investor-State Mediator Training (2018)
- Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR), International Mediator Training (Accreditation, 2013)
- Georgetown University, Washington D.C., USA (Fulbright Scholar, M.A. Intl. Security Studies, 2004)
- University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria (Diploma in International Relations Law, 2002)
- University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria (Mag. iur., 2001)

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Lecturer, University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria
- Lecturer, Florence International Dispute Resolution Academy (FIDRA), Florence, Italy
- Lecturer, Université Toulouse 1 Capitole, Toulouse, France
- Lecturer, BRDGES Academy, Tampa, USA
- Mediator/Judge, ICC International Commercial Mediation Competition, Paris, France
- Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC)
Working Group Member, Revision of the Vienna Mediation Rules (2019)
Working Group Chair, Inception of the Vienna Mediation Rules (2016)

8. ADR EXPERIENCE (NOT INCLUDING ARBITRATION)

		Conciliator	Sole Mediator	Co-Mediator	Neutral (other)	Party's Counsel
International ADR	Institutional	1 ¹	1 ²	1 ³		3 ⁴
	Non-Institutional		3 ⁵	1 ⁶	1 ⁷	1 ⁸
Domestic ADR			4 ⁹		1 ¹⁰	3 ¹¹

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- 1 Co-Conciliator in an investment treaty dispute under ICSID Conciliation Rules, see [Case Details | ICSID \(worldbank.org\)](#).
 - 2 Mediator for the Energy Community Dispute Resolution and Negotiation Centre's first mediation as part of the Energy Community dispute settlement procedure. The dispute arose out of an alleged non-compliance with Energy Community law of two environmental permits of two thermal power plants in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (TPP Banovići and TPP Tuzla), see <http://wb6.info/successful-mediation-energy-community-dispute-settlement-rules/>.
 - 3 Co-mediator in a CEDR Rules multi-party mediation in London concerning a claim by liquidators against a former director and a connected party for recovery of preferences, transfers at undervalue and misfeasance.
 - 4 Counsel to the Requesting Party (Russia) in a multi-million Euro international (the Responding Party was from Italy) dispute concerning a large industrial project in Russia. The dispute was resolved by mediation in the first institutional mediation proceeding conducted under the new Mediation Rules of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC); Counsel to the Responding Party (Slovakia) in a high-value dispute over the allegedly abusive drawing of bank guarantees issued in the context of large-scale commercial construction project in Bratislava. Together with opposing counsel, a hybrid dispute resolution process in accordance with the Vienna Rules was designed to address the actual issues lying behind the drawing of the bank guarantees (VIAC); Counsel to a European investor in the renewables sector (wind) in Ukraine in an Energy Community-led mediation for the stabilization of the Ukrainian energy market. The mediation process was recently concluded with the signing of an MoU by various stakeholders. Its provisions are reflected in recent legislative initiatives in Ukraine. The sustainability of the accord brokered by the Energy Community remains to be evaluated.
 - 5 Party-appointed mediator in an ad-hoc international (Germany – Austria) commercial mediation in the medical and pharmaceutical sector (development of biocides); party-appointed mediator in negotiations for the renewal of an international sales agent contract (Austria – Morocco); party-appointed mediator in a multi-party cross border asset succession case (Austria – Sweden).
 - 6 Co-mediator in a complex multi-party international (Austria – US) shareholder dispute in the IT sector (semi-conductors).
 - 7 Party appointed legal member of a standing dispute board to resolve disputes arising in connection with alleged defects in the manufacture of photovoltaics modules (Germany – China).
 - 8 Counsel to the Responding Party (US) in an ad-hoc mediation proceeding (the Requesting Party was from Austria) to resolve a dispute over claims for compensation following the termination of an agency agreement.
 - 9 Party-appointed mediator in a multi-party domestic civil action within a high-profile criminal case involving the former management of an Austrian bank (case referred by the Commercial Court of Vienna); party-appointed mediator in a complex multi-party shareholder dispute (case referred by the Commercial Court of Vienna); party-appointed mediator in a multi-million Euro dispute arising from a general contractor agreement over extra costs claimed in connection with the erection of the structural works of the project (domestic ad-hoc mediation); mediator in a high-stakes shareholder dispute with white-collar crime aspects (domestic ad-hoc mediation).
 - 10 Moderator in a multi-party dispute concerning the sale of a tenement building located in the city center of Vienna. The dispute had originally been brought before the competent state court and was finally settled through negotiation.
 - 11 Counsel in informal settlement negotiations conducted with the assistance of a neutral third party.

9. SELECT PUBLICATIONS

2021

- Investitionskontrolle im Spannungsfeld einer neuen ordnungspolitischen Dynamik, Handbuch Investitionskontrollgesetz, Manz (*forthcoming*)
- The Impact of EU Law on International Mediation and other ADR Methods, International Arbitration and EU Law, Edward Elgar (*forthcoming*)
- Mediation Chapter, Handbuch Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit und ADR, LexisNexis (*forthcoming*)
- Chapters on Arbitration and Mediation Agreements, Handbuch Wirtschaftsverträge, LexisNexis (*forthcoming*)

2020

- Treu und Glauben – "Good Faith"-Anforderungen in der Mediation, KonfliktDynamik (2/2020), Nomos
- Mediators' Codes of Conduct and Ethical Guidelines – A Comparative Analysis, The Comparative Law Yearbook on International Business, Special Issue "International Mediation", Wolters Kluwer
- Let the Right One In – Mediators' Codes of Conduct and Ethical Guidelines, Corp. Disputes Magazine
- Ethical Guidelines for Mediators – The Austrian Status Quo, The Dutch-Belgian Mediation Quarterly (Nederlands-Vlaams Tijdschrift voor Mediation en Conflictmanagement)

10. SELECT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2020

- **Speaker, CIETAC Webinar, Paris – Vienna**
Arb-Med-Arb in Institutional Settings
- **Vortragende, Universität Wien, Symposium "Schiedsverfahren im Gesellschaftsrecht", Wien**
Mediation in gesellschaftsrechtlichen Streitigkeiten [*currently still postponed*]
- **Panelist, Spanish Arbitration Club – Romanian Chapter, Arbitration Conference, Bucharest**
Innovation in International Arbitration (ADR & Arbitration) [*currently still postponed*]
- **Vortragende, DIS – Deutsche Institution für Schiedsgerichtsbarkeit, Frühjahrstagung, Stuttgart**
Alternative Verhandlungsführung
- **Panelist, UIA – Union Internationale des Avocats, 27th World Forum of Mediation Centres, Milan**
Abuse in the Mediation Process

11. CURRENT RECOMMENDATIONS



Chambers Global: Dispute Resolution: Arbitration – Austria (2021)

Anne-Karin Grill has a solid work flow in contractual arbitration. She is further known for her prowess in mediation. One interviewee states: "*She is very knowledgeable of the market, extremely pleasant, always available and she doesn't leave things unanswered.*"

The Legal 500: CEE Arbitration Powerlist (2021)

Who's Who Legal: Arbitration – Thought Leader (2021)

Who's Who Legal: Arbitration – Global Leader (2021)

"*She is simply brilliant and absolutely charming. Easily the first lawyer I call when I have an issue in Austria.*" "*Clients adore her for her sound commercial judgment and persuasive advocacy.*" "*She is clearly a rising star in the Austrian market.*" "*Anne-Karin is dedicated and professional, with a curious mind.*"

Chambers Europe | Chambers Global: Dispute Resolution: Arbitration – Austria (2020)

Anne-Karin Grill is active in alternative dispute resolution. She is appreciated as a "*very positive and solution-oriented lawyer.*"

Legal 500 Europe: Next Generation Partner Arbitration and Mediation (2020)

Anne-Karin Grill is "*smart, constructive and a great communicator. Also, she convinces with precise legal analysis and a tactical mind.*"

Who's Who Legal: Arbitration (2020)

Anne-Karin Grill comes "*highly recommended*" by peers as "*one of the top picks for international law and investment cases.*"

Who's Who Legal: Arbitration (2019)

Anne-Karin Grill "*analyses complex legal issues and explains them in a straightforward manner*" according to clients who add that she always "*helps secure a positive result.*"

Chambers Europe | Chambers Global: Dispute Resolution: Arbitration – Austria (2019)

"*Anne-Karin Grill is widely recognized by sources as an esteemed practitioner in arbitration. She is also active in mediation.*"