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Admission

Munich (Germany), 1970
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Nationality

German

Languages

German

English, French

Basic: Spanish, Italian, Arabic

Areas of practice

Investment Arbitration

International Commercial Arbitration

Public International Law

Sectors

Construction, Real Estate and Infrastructure

Michael E. Schneider is a founding partner of LALIVE. He has practised in international arbitration for more than 40 years as counsel in *ad hoc* proceedings and under various rules, including those of the UNCITRAL, ICC, ICSID, LCIA, Swiss Rules, Stockholm Institute, the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA), Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), European Development Fund, and before various international bodies, including the WTO Appellate Body and the United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC). He has also acted as arbitrator (chair, sole or co-arbitrator) under the rules of many institutions both in Switzerland and abroad.

Mr Schneider's main areas of practice are disputes involving States and corporations in construction, industrial engineering and infrastructure projects, natural resources (in particular oil and gas), pharmaceuticals, telecommunications and investment disputes. He has specific experience in managing large and complex disputes, organising and leading teams of specialists from different fields and different legal and cultural backgrounds.

Mr Schneider is the immediate past president of the Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA). At ASA, he developed *inter alia* the Arbitration Practice Seminar organised annually since 1997 with civil law and common law practitioners. He was vice chair of the ICC Commission on Arbitration until 2014, and has been a member of several of its working groups (1998 and 2012 revisions of the ICC rules, construction, pre-arbitral referee). He was Vice-President of UNCITRAL and chaired the UNCITRAL Working Group II (Arbitration) at its Sessions in New York and Vienna (2006-2010) on the revision of the Arbitration Rules and on the revision of the Notes on Organizing Arbitral Proceedings (2014-2016). He is president of the International Academy of Construction Lawyers and member of the Board of Trustees of the Cairo Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (CRCICA) and.

Mr Schneider lectures at the University of Fribourg LLM Programme and was Director of Studies at the Centre for Studies and Research at the Hague Academy of International Law (Transnational Arbitration and State Contracts). He studied law and history at the universities of Munich, Bonn and Geneva and completed the 1st and 2nd State examination (capacity to hold office as a judge). He completed postgraduate studies at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva and was a former AIESEC trainee with the Shell Company in Sierra Leone.