

Curriculum Vitae – Guillaume Sauvaget



Profile

Guillaume is lawyer specializing in contract management and dispute resolution in the construction sector. He has been a Partner at PS Consulting since 2016. As a Mediator and Dispute Board Member (listed on the FIDIC President's List), Guillaume assists employers and contractors with contract management and dispute resolution. He lectures on international construction contracts at Université Panthéon-Assas (Paris II) and at the ILO International Training Centre. He previously worked for over twenty five years as senior in-house counsel and legal director in major companies such as Bouygues, Suez and Colas with assignments in the United States, Russia, South Africa, and Central Europe.

Personal Information

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Qualifications and Memberships

- FIDIC President's List of Approved Dispute Adjudicators
- FIDIC Certified Adjudicator
- CMAP – Trained Business Mediator
- Best Lawyer in France 2023/2024/2025/2026 – Construction Law
- Of Counsel, Karila Law Firm (Paris)
- Dispute Resolution Board Foundation – Former Regional Director for Region 2
- Member of the Shearman & Sterling Alumni Association
- PS Consulting – Member of the French and US National Committees of the ICC

Education

- Master 2 – International Trade Law, Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, France
- Master 1 – Business and Tax Law (with honours), Université Paris II Assas, France

Language Skills

| Language | Reading | Speaking | Writing |
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| English | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| French | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Russian | 4 | 3 | 5 |

Experience

Arbitration, Dispute Boards and Non-Contentious

- Southern Europe: Dispute Board Member for a wastewater treatment plant project.
- France: Dispute Board Member in an infrastructure project.
- Central Africa: Sole Member of the Dispute Board for a highway project.
- Southern Europe: Sole Member of the Dispute Board for a railway project.
- West Africa: Sole Member of the Dispute Board (Conciliator) for a school complex construction project.
- West Africa: Sole Member of the Dispute Board (Conciliator) for two road construction projects.
- France: Dispute Board Member in an infrastructure project.
- Middle East: Dispute Board Member in a metro project.
- Central Europe: Dispute Board Member in a railway project.
- Southern Africa: Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal in an ad hoc arbitration tribunal on a water transfer project.
- France: Dispute Board Member in two PPP projects.
- Central Africa: Mediator in a power plant construction project.
- Eastern Europe: Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal in collaboration with the Sole Dispute Board Member.
- Senegal – Pharmaceutical laboratory: Mediator in the execution of an EPC contract.
- ICC Arbitration – Geneva: Co-house legal counsel in a €30M dispute on the design and construction of a highway in Eastern Europe (contract amount €150M).
- ICC Arbitration – Bucharest: Co-house legal counsel in a dispute regarding the construction of a National Road in Romania.
- ICC Arbitration – Geneva: Co-house legal counsel in a €20M dispute on the design and construction of a National Road in Eastern Europe.
- ICC Arbitration – Stockholm: Negotiation, contract management and legal preparation in a dispute on the design and construction of a shopping mall in Moscow.
- Dispute Board: In-house counsel in a dispute on the construction of a highway in Slovakia.

Energy

- LNG Terminal (France): advising the Employer during commissioning operations.
- Nuclear Prototype (France): advising one of the contractors during contract management.
- Caspian Pipeline Project: Terminal and pipeline to transport oil from Tengiz field (Kazakhstan) to the Russian Black Sea coast. In-house counsel for legal scheme definition, negotiation, implementation, and contract management (USD 600M).
- Nuclear Power Plant (Slovakia): in-house counsel for drafting, negotiating, and managing the civil works rehabilitation contract for Phases 3 and 4 (€200M).
- Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant (Ukraine): drafting and negotiating the first design contract for site rehabilitation.

Transport and Infrastructure

- Switzerland: FIDIC expert in a tunnel construction project.
- Central Europe: FIDIC expert in a station construction project.
- Haiti: Review and adaptation of a standard form of contract for road projects.
- Numerous highway and road projects in Central Europe: risk analysis, implementation, and contract management.
- Numerous highway and road projects in South Africa: risk analysis, implementation, and contract management.

Water Treatment

- Central Africa: FIDIC advisor to the Employer for an irrigation contract.
- France: advising an Employer on a wastewater treatment plant project.
- Central Europe: advising a contractor on claims management and referral to the DAB for a water networks project.
- Various outsourcing and construction contracts in wastewater and process water (France, UK, Germany, Spain): drafting, negotiation, implementation, and management.
- Hungary: finalisation and management of the Budapest wastewater treatment plant construction contract.
- Scotland: outsourcing contract for BP Grangemouth refinery (process water and effluent treatment).
- France: outsourcing contract for STMicroelectronics (process water and effluent treatment).

Building

- France: contract review and claims drafting for a hotel project.
- Haiti: legal review of hospital construction project.
- Senegal: contract review and claims drafting for a hotel project.
- France: contract review and claims strategy for the Paris Courthouse project (for a subcontractor).
- Turkmenistan: drafting and implementation of a model contract (60+ projects).

- Moscow: renovation of the Lomonosov State University façade and 4 clock towers.
- Russia: construction contract for a space centrifuge at Zhukovski Airport.
- Central Europe: turnkey projects (Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Ukraine) including financing, land acquisition, permits.
- Russia, Poland, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan: multiple projects for banks, offices, hotels, shopping centres.
- Africa (Cameroon, Nigeria, South Africa, Botswana): multiple projects for banks, offices, plants, mosques.

Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)

- Hungary: PPP highway project, in-house legal counsel for negotiation and management (€850M).
- Slovakia: PPP highway project, senior in-house legal counsel for negotiation and concession management.

Professional Career

- **Partner – PS Consulting** – Advising clients on French and international construction contracts, dispute resolution, and claims management (2016 – present). Member of international networks (Leading Construction Lawyers Alliance, Global Construction & Infrastructure Legal Alliance).
- **Legal Manager and General Counsel** – Colas S.A. (Bouygues Group) (2007–2016).
 - **Legal Manager - Group Legal Department** (including 1-year secondment at Colas Ile-de-France Normandie – 2013/2014).
 - **General Counsel and Insurance Manager for Central Europe** (2007 – 2013), based in Budapest. Risk analysis for 9 countries, managing a team of 18 lawyers.
- **General Counsel – Ondeo Industrial Solutions** (Suez Group) (2001–2007). Created and led the legal department for the company's European industrial water treatment operations.
- **Deputy General Counsel – Bouygues Bâtiment International** (1991–2001). Responsible for ex-USSR, Central Europe, and Africa with a team of 3 lawyers. Secondment in Moscow (1998–1999).
- **Associate – Shearman & Sterling LLP** (1989 – 1991). International Trade (Washington DC, 1989–1990). Mergers & Acquisitions (Paris, 1990–1991).

Teaching and Training Experience

- **FIDIC contracts:** more than 40 training days (FORHOM-EGIS, Inter-American Development Bank, France, Senegal, Cameroon, Haiti, Belgium) on preparation, management, and comparison of FIDIC forms (Red, Yellow, Silver), including PPP projects.
- **Procurement and contract execution:** training sessions on service, supply, and works contracts (FORHOM-EGIS, Polytechnique Montréal and Michigan State University in partnership with INP-HB and ENSEA in Côte d'Ivoire).
- **Claims and disputes:** training on prevention and handling of claims and disputes (FORHOM-EGIS).
- **Public-Private Partnerships (PPP):** specialized training sessions (EFE).
- **Construction insurance:** training organised by the Inter-American Development Bank (Haiti).
- **Public procurement regulation:** specialized training (FORHOM-EGIS).

Publications and Conferences

- Speaker at the DRBF Annual International Conference 2025 – 'Evaluating Sole Member Dispute Boards: Balancing Cost and Effectiveness'.
- Paris Arbitration Week 2021: 'How AI will reshape the value chain of construction disputes'.
- Article: 'Dispute Boards: Originality, Evaluation and Perspectives' – Journal du Droit International – Clunet, July 2021.
- Article: 'A Matter of Trust and Confidence' – Contract Management Journal, July 2019.
- Speaker at international conferences (ICC, ICLA, AFDCE, ICC-FIDIC, ISCL, etc.).