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### Profile

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Luis Fernando Rodríguez (Madrid, 1984) works as **counsel**, **arbitrator**, and **managing partner** of Wonders & Co. SLP, a law firm exclusively dedicated to commercial and investment arbitration. He is a **Spanish national** and works in **Spanish**, **English**, and **French**.

Luis Fernando has participated in **over 50 arbitrations** under the main rules (ICC, ICSID, LCIA, UNCITRAL, etc.), concerning complex projects and transactions in the energy, telecommunications, mining, healthcare, automotive, financial services, engineering, and construction sectors.

He worked at the international arbitrators' boutique **Armesto & Asociados** in Madrid, the arbitration team at **Baker Botts** in London, and a renowned firm of trial attorneys in **California**. He holds a Ph.D. in Law, is a graduate of **Stanford** University (LL.M.), and worked as a visiting researcher at **Harvard**, **Hong Kong**, and **Oxford** universities. Currently, he teaches contract law and international arbitration at various universities.

He is Spanish delegate to the **ICC Commission on Arbitration** and ADR and is the founder and president of the **Rafael del Pino Arbitrators Club**.

### Counsel

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- ❖ Represented an African republic in an investment arbitration against a Spanish investor over contracts for mining exploration and exploitation • Language: Spanish • UNCITRAL Rules • Spain-African Republic BIT • Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA)

- ❖ Represented several subfranchisees against master subfranchisee • Language: English • Spanish law • Seat: Barcelona • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- ❖ Represented a Spanish industrial parts manufacturer against a Swiss holding in a dispute concerning a business transfer agreement • Language: English • Spanish law • Seat: Madrid • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- ❖ Represented a Hungarian corporation against a Spanish subcontractor in a dispute about electrical works in an EPC contract • Language: Spanish • Spanish law • Seat: Madrid • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- ❖ Represented a Japanese engineering company against a multinational in a dispute concerning an EPC contract for a solar photovoltaic power plant in Japan • Language: English • Japanese law • Seat: Tokyo (Japan) • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- ❖ Represented a Hungarian engineering company against a Spanish company in a dispute involving a solar photovoltaic power plant in Spain • Language: English • Spanish law • Seat: Madrid • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- ❖ Represented heirs in a dispute involving a private loan • Language: Spanish • Decided in equity • Seat: Madrid • ***Ad hoc* arbitration**
- ❖ Represented a US investor in an investment arbitration against the Republic of Panama in connection with a water treatment project (Samson Wu v. Panama, case no. ARB/22/05) • Language: Spanish • U.S.-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement • International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)
- ❖ Represented three Spanish companies in the healthcare sector against a Chinese pharma company in a dispute concerning a technology purchase and technical assistance contract • Language: English • Chinese law • Seat: Beijing • China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC)
- ❖ Assisted a Spanish holding company in a shareholder dispute against an Algerian publicly-owned company • Language: French • Algerian law • Seat: Paris • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)
- ❖ Represented a Spanish engineering company against a Middle-East publicly-owned company in a dispute concerning a turnkey contract for the construction of a power station • Language: English • Law of the United Arab Emirates • Seat: Dubai • Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)
- ❖ Assisted a Spanish engineering company in an investment arbitration against a Central-American republic in connection with a contract for the sale and maintenance of equipment for the petrochemical industry • Language: Spanish • Bilateral investment treaty • International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)

- ❖ Assisted a Spanish construction company against a Central-American government in a dispute concerning the development of a large-scale sewage system • Language: Spanish • Panama law • Seat: Panama • Centro de Conciliación y Arbitraje de Panamá (CeCAP)
- ❖ Represented a Spanish construction company against the Spanish subsidiary of a hospitality multinational enterprise in a dispute concerning the construction of a hotel • Language: Spanish • Spanish law • Seat: Madrid • Corte Civil y Mercantil de Arbitraje (CIMA)
- ❖ Assisted a Mexican photovoltaic utility-scale developer company against the Mexican engineering subsidiary of Spanish multinational in a dispute concerning an EPC contract for the development of a solar photovoltaic power plant in Mexico • Language: English • New York law • Seat: Madrid • International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)

## Arbitrator

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- ❖ Sole Arbitrator in a dispute between two Spanish companies concerning a lease in the energy sector • **Corte Española de Arbitraje**
- ❖ President of the Arbitral Tribunal in a dispute between a commercial agency company (Jordan) and an aeronautical engineering company (Spain) concerning an agency agreement • **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid**
- ❖ Co-Arbitrator in a dispute between a distribution company (Dominican Republic) and a manufacturer of healthcare products (Colombia), arising from an international distribution agreement • **Cámara de Comercio de Medellín** para Antioquía
- ❖ Sole Arbitrator in a dispute between shareholders involving a consulting firm (Spain) and a holding company (Spain) within real estate sector • **Asociación Europea de Arbitraje**
- ❖ Sole Arbitrator in a dispute between a vehicle manufacturer (Spain) and an industrial parts manufacturer (Spain) about a supply agreement for military use • **International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)**
- ❖ Sole Arbitrator in a dispute between an industrial insurance multinational (Spain) and a primary-sector company (Spain) in connection with an insurance policy • **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid**
- ❖ Sole Arbitrator in a dispute between a wine producer (Spain) and an insurance company (Spain) about a contract of insurance • **Corte Española de Arbitraje**

- ❖ Emergency Arbitrator in a dispute between a multinational hospitality company (Spain) and a real-estate company (Spain) concerning a lease agreement • **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid**
- ❖ President of the Arbitral Tribunal in a dispute between a company (Spain) and financial entity (Spain) about a contract for banking services • **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid**
- ❖ Sole Arbitrator in a dispute between a real-estate company (Spain) and a hospitality company (Spain) about a business lease • **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid**
- ❖ President of the Arbitral Tribunal in a dispute between a company (Spain) and a bank (Spain) concerning a derivative product • **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid**

## Arbitral Secretary

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- ❖ Shareholder (USA) v. Shareholders (Panama & Colombia) • Language: Spanish • **UNCITRAL** Rules • Seat: Bogotá • Colombian law
- ❖ Accounting and consulting firm (Germany) v. Accounting and consulting multinational (United Kingdom) • Economic sector: advisory & consultancy services • Language: English • Rules of London Court of International Arbitration (**LCIA**) • Seat: London • English law
- ❖ IT consulting firm (USA) v. State-owned entity (Sint Maarten) • Economic sector: IT consultancy • Language: English • Rules of AAA's International Centre for Dispute Resolution (**AAA-ICDR**) • Seat: Florida • Florida law
- ❖ Company (Chile) v. Multinational corporation's subsidiary (Chile) • Economic sector: insurance industry • Language: English and Spanish • Rules of International Arbitration of the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the **Cámara de Comercio de Santiago** • Seat: Santiago de Chile • Chilean law
- ❖ Dick Fernando Abanto Ishivata v. Republic of Venezuela • ICSID Case ARB(AF)/18/6 • Economic sector: telecommunications • Language: Spanish • **ICSID** Additional Facility Rules • Peru-Venezuela BIT
- ❖ Spanish manufacturer (Spain) v. Multinational corporation (The Netherlands) • Economic sector: automotive industry • Language: Spanish • Rules of the **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid** • Seat: Barcelona • Spanish law
- ❖ Company (Republic of Mauritius) v. 1. Company (British Virgin Islands) and 2. Company (Republic of Mauritius) • Economic sector: mining industry • Language: English • **ICC** Arbitration Rules • Law of African republic

- ❖ The Carlyle Group v. Kingdom of Morocco • ICSID Case No. ARB/18/29 • Economic sector: manufacture of refined petroleum products • Language: English • **ICSID** Arbitration Rules • US-Morocco Free Trade Agreement
- ❖ Manufacturing industry (Spain) v. Metallurgical supplier (Switzerland) • Economic sector: metallurgical industry • Language: English • Rules of the **Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid** • Seat: Madrid • Spanish law
- ❖ Anglo-Adriatic Group Limited (British Virgin Islands) v. Republic of Albania • ICSID Case No. ARB/17/6 • Economic sector: financial service activities • Language: English • **ICSID** Arbitration Rules • Albanian law
- ❖ Latin American telecommunications provider v. National regulatory authority • Economic sector: telecommunications • Language: Spanish • Rules of the Centro Internacional de Arbitraje y Mediación de la Cámara de Comercio Ecuatoriano-Británica (**CIAM**) • Equatorian law
- ❖ Gramercy Funds Management LL (USA) and 2. Gramercy Peru Holdings LLC (USA) v. Republic of Peru • UNCT/18/2 • Economic sector: financial service activities • Language: English and Spanish • **UNCITRAL** Rules • Arbitral institution: **ICSID** • US-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement
- ❖ Slot Group a.s. (Czech Republic) v. Republic of Poland • PCA Case No. 2017-10 • Economic sector: gambling and betting activities • Language: English • **UNCITRAL** Rules • Institution: **Permanent Court of Arbitration** • Seat: Paris • Applicable law: Czech Republic-Poland BIT
- ❖ WCV World Capital Ventures Cyprus Ltd (Cyprus) and Channel Crossing Ltd (Cyprus) v. The Czech Republic • PCA Case No. 2016-12 • Economic sector: gambling and betting activities • Language: English • **UNCITRAL** Rules • Arbitral institution: **Permanent Court of Arbitration** • Cyprus-Czech Republic BIT
- ❖ Lion Mexico Consolidated L.P. (Canada) v. Mexico • ICSID Case No. ARB(AF)/15/2 • Economic sector: real estate • Language: English and Spanish • **ICSID** Additional Facility Rules • North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

## Current teaching

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**Comparative contract law** | Instituto de Empresa • LL.B. program

**International arbitration** | Instituto de Empresa • LL.M. program

**Commercial law** | Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia • LL.M. program

**Investment arbitration** | Universidad Carlos III de Madrid • LL.M. program

## Education

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**Ph.D.** | Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia • *Summa cum laude* (by unanimity)  
• 2013

**LL.M.** | Stanford University • Stanford Law School • 2013

Visiting Fellow | **Hong Kong** University • Law & Technology Centre • 2012

Visiting Doctoral Student | University of **Oxford** • Oxford Internet Institute • 2011

Visiting Researcher | **Harvard** Law School • Institute for Global Law & Policy • 2010

**LL.B.** | Universidad Carlos III de Madrid • 2007

## Affiliations

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Spain's Delegate to the **ICC Commission** on Arbitration and ADR (2024-2027)

Associate Editor of **Iurgium**, the quarterly journal published by **Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje**

Corresponding Fellow of the Royal Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation

Secretary of the Commission for the Promotion of Spain as Seat of International Arbitration at Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje

Member of the **Madrid Bar Association** (registration no. 87875)

## Latest roster admissions

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Centro Internacional de Arbitraje de Madrid - Centro Iberoamericano de Arbitraje

Corte de Arbitraje del Ilustre Colegio de la Abogacía de Madrid

Cámara de Comercio de Medellín para Antioquía

Beijing International Arbitration Center (BIAC)

Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC)

Amcham Quito