

José Miguel Júdice appointed as arbitrator at Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague

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José Miguel Júdice, PLMJ founding partner and head of PLMJ Arbitration, has been appointed to the prestigious Permanent Court of Arbitration ("PCA") roster of arbitrators. José Miguel Júdice, also a member of the ICSID roster of arbitrators and conciliators, is one of the four Portuguese nominees.

The PCA, created in 1899, is the world's oldest institute for the resolution of international disputes. It is an intergovernmental organisation of 116 member states with its seat in The Hague (Netherlands). It was founded to facilitate arbitration and other ways of resolving disputes between States and has become a modern, multifaceted institution that is now perfectly placed at the juncture between public and private international law to meet the international community's dispute resolution needs.

The PCA was created to provide dispute resolution services in disputes between States related, for example, to territorial disputes involving delimitation of borders and human rights disputes. However, the PCA broadened its area of work to cover international investment protection arbitration and commercial arbitrations under the UNCITRAL Rules.

José Miguel Júdice was recently the President of the Arbitral Tribunal which, with administrative support from the PCA, settled a dispute between a British company (Rurelec) and its US subsidiary (Guaraccachi) against Bolivia, resulting from the nationalisation of an electricity producing company. He is acting as arbitrator in many international arbitrations, notably in Brazil, Spain, France and Portugal.

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