

Damien Devot

Partner, admitted to the Paris Bar in February 2005

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Since 2009: Meyer Fabre Avocats (Partner since 2013)

Teaching arbitration at the Paris Bar School (2012-2013)

2005-2009: Salans – Associate in the International Arbitration and Litigation practice group

FIELDS OF ACTIVITY

Damien Devot's main practice area is international commercial litigation and arbitration.

Damien has acted as counsel for French and foreign companies in a dozen international arbitrations, in a variety of matters involving for example technology transfers, industrial cooperation, hotel management contracts and post-acquisition disputes. He also acted as secretary to the arbitral tribunal in several arbitrations and was appointed as arbitrator in institutional (ICC) arbitration proceedings.

Damien Devot has a strong experience of litigation before French courts. He represents French and foreign clients in commercial disputes, mostly in cross-border matters, involving in particular defective products and industrial risks, termination of contractual relations, unfair competition, as well as post-acquisition disputes and cases involving banks' and auditors' liability. In these cases, he assists his clients in criminal proceedings in which they are involved.

Damien also regularly advises clients in the establishment of their distribution network in France or abroad, as well as in the acquisition or the setting up of business activities in France.

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EDUCATION

- University of Cambridge – 2002 – LL.M Commercial Law (cum laude)
- University of Paris II-Panthéon Assas – 2001 – DEA (post-graduate diploma) in Business law (cum laude)
- University of Paris II-Panthéon Assas – 2000 – Master’s degree in Business law (magna cum laude)

MEMBERSHIPS

- Association Internationale des Jeunes Avocats (AIJA) / International Association of Young Lawyers – National Representative for France
- CFA 40 (French Committee on Arbitration, Young lawyers division) – Co-Chair
- AFA (French Association of Arbitration)

PUBLICATIONS

Co-author of “Forum shopping strategies” in *Newsletter of the International Arbitration Chamber of Paris* n°6, November 2014

Co-author of the chapter on France in *Dispute resolution clauses in international contracts: A global guide*, edited by Schulthess Juristische Medien, 2013


CONFERENCES

Co-Chair of the organizing committee of the seminar on "Consent to arbitration" organized by the International Association of Young Lawyers, and panel moderator of the program "Is consent necessary? An expert view on commercial and investment arbitration", Paris, June 2015

"My client’s data were stolen, what do I risk as a bank?", Seminar on "Recent developments in data Security" organized by the International Association of Young Lawyers in Marseille, Antwerp, May 2015

Member of the organizing committee of the seminar "Where is the money? Chasing and protecting the assets before and after insolvency in the international arena", and lecturer on "How to get an enforceable title in the international arena?" at the International Association of Young Lawyers Conference in Santa Margherita, in September 2014

Panel moderator of the program "Taking of evidence in international arbitration" and General Reporter of the working session on "Counsel's role in international arbitration proceedings" at the Annual Congress of the International Association of Young Lawyers in Prague, in August 2014



Speaker at the seminar "Limitation of liability clause : Can Professionals contractually avoid their liability ?" at the conference on Professionals' Civil and Criminal Liability organized by the International Association of Young Lawyers in Marseille, June 2013

Lecturer on commercial international litigation and arbitration in the Master's degree in international business law of University of Rennes 1, on 9 April 2013

Speaker at the seminar "Interactive case study: Following the money from London to Washington", at the Conference on International Investigations organized by the International Association of Young Lawyers in San Francisco, in March 2012

Speaker at the seminar "Improving the knowledge on new EU Regulations", organized for Romanian Judges by the Romanian Ministry of Justice and the Deutsche Stiftung für Internationale Rechtliche Zusammenarbeit E.V. and financed by the European Union under the Civil Justice Programme, in Bucharest, in July 2011