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## **Alessandra Vignone**

Alessandra Vignone has a considerable experience of all aspects of commercial law, both domestic and international. She represents foreign and Italian companies in a wide range of commercial litigation matters, arbitration, mediation and other alternative methods of dispute resolution. She assists Italian and foreign companies such as suppliers, carriers and insurance companies in claims relating to transport matters. Admitted to the Bar in France in 2000. She obtained a master degree in international commercial arbitration and construction from Queen Mary University in London in 2007. Admitted as Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in 2008.

She became mediator further to training course at Jams - ADR Center in Rome in December 2009. She attended training at Jams, New York Office in April 2010 where she assisted the neutrals in the separate and joint sessions of the mediation proceedings.

She is speaker at conferences and writes articles on retail and outsourcing contracts.

## **Alex Schmitt**

Alex Schmitt is managing partner of Bonn Schmitt Steichen. He was born in Luxembourg and attended the University of Brussels, Belgium (Lic Jur, 1978), Institute of European Studies, Brussels (Lic Droit Européen, 1980), and Harvard Law School, US (LLM, 1981). He was admitted to the Bar in 1979 (Brussels, Belgium) and 1983 (Luxembourg). His principal practice areas include corporate, banking and finance, investment management and regulatory. Mr. Schmitt's other professional activities include being a member of the CODOJU (consultative body to the prime minister on the improvement of the legislative framework of the financial centre), a member of the Committee on Undertakings for Collective Investment with the Supervisory Authority of the Financial Sector (UCI Committee - Comité OPC), a lecturer at the University of Brussels Law School, a lecturer at the University of Luxembourg (Masters in European law - banking and financial European law), visiting lecturer in taxation at the University of Bourgogne, Dijon, France, and ICHEC, Brussels, Belgium, a member of the International Fiscal Association, and a lecturer in tax law at the Institut de Formation Bancaire, Luxembourg. He is also a member of the panel of conciliators and arbitrators of the International Centre for the Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) and a member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration. Mr. Schmitt is the author of numerous publications and speaks English, French, German and Italian.

## **Avi Schneebalg**

Avi Schneebalg, a Belgian national, has been one of the pioneers of ADR in Belgium. In 1998, he took the initiative of creating the Brussels Business Mediation Center (BBMC), a not-for-profit

organization sponsored by the French and Flemish Brussels Bar Associations and by the Brussels Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

He is a trained business mediator, fluent in French, English, Dutch, Italian and Hebrew, accredited by the Brussels Bar Association, the BBMC, the Centre de Médiation et d'Arbitrage de Paris, the Netherlands Mediation Instituut, the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center and the London Court of International Arbitration and of Ecodir (on-line mediation).

Mr. Schneeberg has trained in mediation and lectured extensively on that topic in Belgium, France, Italy, Denmark and the U.S. (Annual Conference of the Section of Dispute Resolution of the ABA, 1999-2002; Institut de Formation à la Médiation et à la Négociation –IFOMENE- of the Paris Bar Association, 2000; yearly assembly of the Belgian Franchise Federation, 2001; International Development Law Institute in Rome, 2002; Nice University's School of Law, 2002; etc.).

In 2001 he co-authored the Report on the State of ADR in Europe commissioned by the European Commission. Furthermore, Larcier in Brussels has just published a book on Mediation Advocacy he co-authored with Eric Galton. Mr. Schneeberg has also been working as a mediation consultant to ADR Center, in Italy and abroad, since 1999.

Born in Antwerp (Belgium) in 1955, he received his law degree from Brussels University (ULB) in 1979. From 1984 to 1988, he has been partner of the BERENBOOM, SUKENNIK, SCHNEEBALG, GILLES, TALLON & DUFRENE law firm in Brussels specialized in business law.

### **Brigita Kraljič**

Brigita Kraljič is senior attorney and expert in banking law and capital markets law, corporate finance and corporate transactions in CMS Reich-Rohrwig Hainz law office. She has advised banks and a venture capital management company on the development of their businesses and services. She also advises various clients on different corporate transactions, particularly M&A, and corporate financing transactions, including mezzanine and venture capital financing and private placements. She graduated in 1998 at the University of Ljubljana and was admitted to the Bar in 2005. She was legal advisor of the Slovenian Ministry of Finance in the financial sector department, legal advisor to the Slovenian investment firm Poteza, attorney at the Slovenian law firm Avbreht, Zajc & Partners, attorney at CMS Ljubljana since its foundation in 2008. She can speak English and Slovenian.

### **Christian Duve**

Christian Duve is a partner with Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer in Frankfurt. He is a member of the Practice Group Dispute Resolution. Mr. Duve regularly represents clients in domestic and international corporate arbitration and litigation proceedings and frequently serves as mediator. He received his doctorate at the University of Munich and completed a post-graduate program at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government (M.P.A.). He chairs the Committee on Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution of the Council of the Bars and Law Societies in Europe (CCBE) as well as the corresponding Committee of the German Bar Association (DAV). He

is an editor of the International Dispute Resolution (IDR) journal and a lecturer at Johann Wolfgang Goethe University Frankfurt.

### **Constantin Adi Gavrilă**

Constantin-Adi Gavrilă, founding member and manager of Craiova Mediation Center, president of the Romanian Mediation Centers Union and vicepresident of the first Mediation Council, is an engineer, a jurist and a mediator, dedicating a great part of his professional activity to mediation, ADR management and mediators' training since 2002. Starting with 2002, he was introduced to the mediator's profession following a seminar organized by the Dolj Bar Association and the Cultural Centre of the USA Embassy in Romania. In February 2003 he received a diploma after taking a mediation course organized by the International Judicial Academy, USA in Washington DC. Starting with autumn 2003, Mr. Gavrilă has been the manager of Mediation Pilot Center in Craiova, the center being organized following an order of the Ministry of Justice and financed by the USA Embassy in Romania. From 2003, he coordinated as a manager extended programs in mediation: part of the legislature process in the mediation field, training of mediators, systems development, and information dissemination. As a manager of the Mediation Center in Craiova, Mr. Gavrilă coordinated the national training program of mediators during 2004 and 2006, in which 10 lawyers from every county of Romania were trained, and thus there were formed mediation centers in each county. In 2005, these centers formed the Romanian Mediation Centers Union federation. Being elected president of this federation in 2005, Mr. Gavrilă took part in tens of conferences and seminars both all over the country and abroad. He also writes articles published in Romania and abroad. He is a member of the first Mediation Council in Romania, being validated in 2006 by an order of the Minister of Justice. Mr. Gavrilă was elected vice-president of the Mediation Council in Romania.

### **Dalia Foigt**

Born in Lithuania in 1957, he is expert in Alternative Dispute Resolution. Attorney at Law has experience as a witness - legal expert in High Court of Justice. In addition to her academic and private credentials, Dr. D. Foigt was a member and chairperson of at least 40 working groups for drafting new legislation. Author: "Environmental policy and its enforcement, waste, liabilities, powers of regulators," The International Comparative Legal Guide to: Environment Law 2007, London, 2007; "Problems Concerning the International Dispute Resolution in Lithuania," Vilnius, 1998; "The Contents of the Freedom of establishment under the European Community law," Mokslo darbai. Teise. Vilnius, 2001, 39 t.; "Freedom of Establishment in the Context of Accession," Politologija. 2001. Nr. 1; "Restrictions to the Freedom of Establishment under the Article 43 of the European Communities Treaty," Mokslo darbai. Teise. Vilnius: 2001, 39 t.; "Regulation of the Right to Property within the Environmental Sector in Lithuania," Right to Property: Constitutional protection and public law, Oslo, 1994; "Lithuania for a partner," European Business Law Review,

vol.5, No.6, 1994. Professor, Private International Law and Comparative Law, Vilnius University Faculty of Law. He is member of Lithuanian Lawyers' Association (Council, 2004); Methodical Council of Lithuanian Bar (Council, 2004); London Court of International Arbitration (Arbitrator); Vilnius Court of Commercial Arbitration (Arbitrator).

### **Dimitra K. Triantafyllou**

Dimitra K. Triantafyllou (owner since 1996 of 'Dimitra K. Triantafyllou Law Office' in Thessaloniki, GR) is a practicing lawyer in Greece in the field of corporate, business and commercial law, (Bachelor in Law at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, GR), specialized in South Eastern European Region (c.LL.M at Democritus University of Thrace, GR). She is also specialized in the ADR, conflict and crisis management & prevention field, holds a diploma on Decision Making, Crisis Management & Negotiation (University of Macedonia, GR), is an accredited civil & commercial mediator and Family mediator (with ADRgroup, UK), has done further training on Mediation (Harvard's Law School training on Mediation, USA), is a trained Negotiator (Harvard's Law School training, on Basic Negotiation, on Negotiation for Senior Executives and on "Difficult conversations with difficult people", USA) and is trained on "Conflict diagnosis and intervention techniques" (SSR, NL).

### **Ekaterina Dimcheva**

Ekaterina Dimcheva is a lawyer, solo practitioner, in Eurolex Bulgaria Ltd. law office. She practices in Criminal, Business, Real Estate, Corporate, Labor and Administrative Law, Civil and Criminal litigation. She is also a mediator and has experience with international Greek law firms as well as with real estate companies.

Ms. Dimcheva graduated in 1981 at the University of Sofia with an awarded law degree.

In 2004-2005 she worked as assistant coordinator in Grinberg Traurig P.A. in the USA. In 2003 she was assisted attorney in the preparation of all matters pertaining to prosecution of personal injury cases and defense of criminal cases in Villamanan & Babinsky P.A. in the USA. In 2002 she worked in the Colombian American Service Association INC as assisted paralegal in the preparation of immigration documents. In 2001 she was assisted judge in Traffic Violation Court in the 11<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court in Florida. In 2000 she served as expert witness in Bulgarian Law, State v. Peter Hranov, in the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, Orlando, FL. In 1990-1992 she was prosecutor in the Circuit Court of Sofia. From 1983 to 1990 she was of counsel in the major government enterprises, dealing with international trade in industrial chemicals, production and international trade of marble and granite, administrative, labor and financial law. She can speak Bulgarian, English and Russian and is member of Sofia Bar Association.

### **Grazia Torrente**

Grazia Torrente entered Eversheds Bianchini law office in March 1999.

She has acquired experience of all aspects of commercial law, with particular reference to international contracts, including agency, outsourcing and manufacturing agreements. She supports major retail companies advising on competition law, building contracts, logistics contracts, lease, franchising. She also advises on real estate matters, such as lease contracts, office relocation and real estate litigation. Ms. Torrente represents foreign and Italian companies in domestic, international arbitration and alternative method of dispute resolution. She obtained a masters degree in international commercial arbitration and construction from Queen Mary University in London in 2007. Admitted as fellow at the Chartered Institute of Arbitration in London. She became mediator in December 2009, further having attended a mediation course at Jams - ADR Center in Rome. In April 2010 she had a training at Jams in New York, where she assisted neutrals in the joint and separate sessions of mediation procedures. She is a member of the management committee of the Mediation Center of Bar Association in Milan.

She is speaker at conferences on retail and outsourcing contracts.

### **Ilze Kramina**

Ilze Kramina is attorney at Law and junior partner at Eversheds Bitans law office.

She studied at the University of Latvia, Faculty of Law, in Riga, and graduated in 2006. She is interested in Public and Administrative Law, Territorial planning and development, Litigation and Construction Law.

From 2004 to 2005 she worked as Assistant to Chairman of Administrative Court of Appeal in Riga and as Assistant to Judge in the Civil Law Department of Riga District Court from 2001 to 2004.

She is also member of the Latvian Bar Association and of the International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA).

From 2009 she is lecturer at the Faculty of Law of the School of Business Administration "Turība". Among her publications: "What should be considered when appealing resolution of local municipality to administrative court?" and "Certain aspects of concept of principle of legal certainty".

She speaks Latvian, German, Russian and English.

### **Jorge Verissimo**

Jorge Verissimo is partner in BFV – Costa Basto, Jorge Fernandes, Veríssimo e Associados, RI. law office since 2006. He is particularly concerned with Banking Law, Corporate Law, particularly Mergers and Acquisitions, Joint-Ventures, EU Law, Intellectual Property, Contracts Law, Arbitration, Family and Inheritance Law, Civil Litigation.

From 1983 to 1985 he has been legal advisor in the Ministry of the Sea. In 1977-1983 and in 1985-1996 he worked as lawyer in the Legal Department of Banco Pinto & Sotto Mayor, in Lisbon.

He took his Law degree in 1972 at the Faculty of Law in Lisbon.

Among his professional associations we find: AIGLI - Associazione Internazionale di Giuristi di Lingua Italiana; member of the committees E (Banking Law), L (Intellectual Property and Entertainment), S (Products Liability, Advertising, Unfair Competition and Consumer Affairs) and X (International Franchising) of the IBA - International Bar Association; UIA - Union Internationale des Avocats; APDE - Associação Portuguesa de Direito Europeu; Portuguese-Spanish Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Portuguese-Brazilian Chamber of Commerce and Industry; Italian Chamber of Commerce for Portugal; CELF - Portuguese-Finish Entrepreneurs Group; Lex Milleniale, international group of lawyers who analysed the Y2K; member of the list of accredited arbitrators and mediators at CMAP - Centre de Médiation et Arbitrage de Paris; member of the list of accredited arbitrators and mediators at BBMC - Brussels Business Mediation Centre, for commercial mediation; member of the list of accredited mediators of the Lisbon Commercial Association, for commercial mediation.

He participated as presenter at many conferences and attended many seminars and can speak Portuguese, English, Spanish, Italian, German and French.

### **José Ramón Casado**

José Ramón Casado is associate at Baker & McKenzie law office, where he deals with dispute resolution. He joined Baker & McKenzie in 2005 and he was elected partner in 2009. Previously he worked for the legal department of the Bank of Spain.

He graduated in Law Degree at the Comillas Pontificia University ICADE (Spain) in 1994.

He is specialised in civil and commercial litigation, insolvency law and arbitration. In particular, he has been involved in litigation concerning challenge of corporate decisions, director's liability, distribution and agency agreements, intellectual property infringement issues, unfair competition and constructive defects. Finally he is member of the Madrid Bar Association since 1999.

### **József Antal**

József Antal co-heads the dispute resolution team of Baker & McKenzie Budapest office, routinely assisting clients in litigation, alternative dispute resolution and public procurement matters. He has advised and represented clients in the most varied industry sectors: from transport to energy and financial services to telecommunications.

Mr. Antal focuses on civil and administrative litigation and arbitration. He has represented multinational and local clients at each level of the Hungarian court system — including the Supreme Court — and in arbitrations before the Permanent Court of Arbitration affiliated with the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and the Permanent Arbitration Court of Financial and Capital Markets. Mr. Antal also advises on damages, unfair competition, copyright,

private enforcement and fraud cases. In the field of public procurement, Mr. Antal helps clients prepare tenders and negotiate complex construction public procurement projects. He is member of Budapest Bar Association and the National Association of Public Procurement Lawyers. He has got a J.D summa cum laude at the University of Szeged in 1999.

### **Liina Naaber-Kivisoo**

Liina Naaber-Kivisoo is attorney at Law at Lepik & Luhaäär Lawin law office.

She graduated with an LL.B. degree at the University of Tartu in 2003. Among her practice areas we find Real Estate, Movable Property, Restoration of Ownership, Public Private Partnership, Litigation, Labour, Administrative Law and General Corporate & Commercial Law.

She is member of the Estonian Bar Association (from 2003), of the Estonian Moot Court Society and finally of the Supervisory Board of the Estonian Debating Society.

Among her publications there are: The International Comparative Legal Guide to: Class and Group Actions 2010, Estonian chapter, Global Legal Group, London 2009; The International Comparative Legal Guide to: Competition Litigation 2010, Estonian chapter, Global Legal Group, London 2009.

She speaks Estonian and English.

### **Maciej Orkusz**

Maciej Orkusz is a lawyer working at Baker & McKenzie law office in Warsaw.

### **María Pilar Canedo**

María Pilar Canedo is a University senior lecturer (from February 2006) . Graduate Programmes: Private International Law, International Trade, European Judicial Area Lecturer. University of Deusto. School of Law; International Aspects of the Enterprise. Engineering School. University of Deusto; Visiting Scholar at prestigious USA and European Universities (San Francisco University, USA; Hamline University, ADR Centre, USA; Universidad de Guadalajara, Méjico; Université Robert Schumann Strasbourg III, France; University of Stratchilfe, Glasgow, UK; Universidad Pontificia de Comillas, Madrid; Universidad Carlos III, Madrid, Spain). Postgraduate Programmes: Masters in Maritime Law and in European Union Law at the University of Deusto; Master in International Trade and in Law and Telecommunications. Unversidad Carlos III. Madrid. Phd Programmes: European Competition Law Procedure. Carlos III University; European Judicial Area. University of Deusto. Seminars, conferences and workshops: more than 50 interventions. From November 2005 she is also research project director; from February 2003 she is School of Law representative at the University of Deusto and from 2007 she is also coordinator tuning law project. Besides, from 2007 she is legal advisor of the law firm Díaz Sanz y Ferre.

In 1994 she became Doctor of Law “Cum Laude” at the University of Deusto. In 1991-1992 she made a Master in Law Practice at the same University.

She can speak Spanish, French, English, German and Italian.

She has published books, articles and book chapters and has held conferences and single lectures.

### **Markku Korvenmaa**

Markku Korvenmaa is attorney at Law and partner at HH Partners Ltd. Law office in Helsinki. He graduated at the University of Helsinki in 2001 and deals above all with Contract Law, Insolvency, Corporate and Litigation. Besides, he is member of the Finnish Bar Association and of the Union of Finnish Lawyers. He speaks Finnish, Swedish and English.

### **Martin Magal**

Partner of Allen Overy since 2007, Martin Magal regularly advises on a broad spectrum of corporate issues. He has worked on a number of acquisitions, disposals and privatisations. Mr. Magal has also advised on filings with the Slovak anti-monopoly office and competition aspects of cross-border joint ventures, Slovak and international banks on syndicated lending and project finance transactions.

He regularly acts on behalf of his clients in litigation matters. He recently spent one year on secondment to a major bank as acting head of its legal department.

He has got a law degree at the Comenius University in Bratislava and has a LLM taken at Cambridge University. He speaks Slovak, English and German.

### **Michael Czapski**

Michael Czapski is a lawyer and mediator. His practice focuses on business dispute resolution through negotiation and mediation. He is active in numerous mediation organisations, including Center for Disputes and Conflicts Resolution at Faculty of Law of Warsaw University and Polish Center of Mediation. In 2010, he took the position of President of Warsaw Department of Polish Center of Mediation. From 2005, he worked with the Council for Alternative Methods of Conflict and Dispute Resolution at Polish Ministry of Justice.

### **Paola Cecchi Dimeglio**

Paola Cecchi Dimeglio is a permanent associated scholar at both UC Hastings College of the Law and the Gould Center at Stanford Law School. She is also associated with the Law School of

Brussels University. Before completing her Ph.D., she practiced law in Paris for Landwell LLP focusing on international and distribution contracts. She has completed her French and Belgium Ph.D. in law on international franchise contracts. Her Ph.D. has been awarded Summa Cum laude with Felicitations of the Jury and her thesis has received the right to be published. She earned her J.D. and Masters degree from the Magistère-DJCE of Montpellier University and an LLM from UC Hastings. Her research interests lie at the crossroads of law, economy and cross-cultural studies and her projects often combine quantitative and qualitative methods and span a wide variety of topics. She has presented parts of her research at different conferences. She has published articles on franchise and distribution contracts as well ADR. She currently serves as a consultant for the franchise industry and for other companies that wish to invest in the U.S. or in France.

### **Peter Adamsson**

Peter Adamsson, from Sandart&Partners law office, specialises in matters concerning Intellectual Property Law and Market Law. He has extensive experience from litigations concerning these fields and devotes considerable time to providing advice relating to these kind of contracts. He is chairman for the Swedish Board of Applied Art. He regularly gives lectures, publish articles and has been commissioned by the Ministry of Justice to draft a green book regarding certain questions within the field of copyright law. He served at the Södertälje District Court and Svea Court of Appeal 1991-95; appointed an assistant judge at Stockholm District Court 1996 and an associate Judge of Appeal at Svea Court of Appeal 1997; legal adviser at the Swedish Ministry of Justice, specifically the division for intellectual property law 1997-99, 2001-02; served as secretary in the Swedish Legislative Committee on Designs 2001 and Swedish Legislative Committee on the right to the result of higher education research 2004-05; associate at Sandart & Partners 2002 and partner in 2007; he is the convenor on the Design Group of the Swedish Association for the Protection of Industrial Property. He graduated in 1991 at Uppsala University with a Master in Law. He is member of the Swedish Bar Association, AIPPI (Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle) and the corresponding Swedish organization, SFIR, ALAI (Association Litteraire et Artistique Internationale) and the corresponding Swedish organization, SFU.

### **Peter Kamminga**

Professor Peter Kamminga is a permanent associated scholar and guest lecturer at Hastings College of the Law and a continuing research scholar at Stanford University. He divides his time between the US and Europe, where he is senior researcher and lecturer at Tilburg University and associated with the Law School of Brussels University. He holds an LLB, LLM in Contract and Company Law, and a PhD in law. After, completing part of his study in Germany, he completed a Masters degree program in Conflict Management in the Netherlands. He finished a PhD (nominated Cum Laude) on legal, economic and social psychological aspects of contracting in complex construction projects at Tilburg University. The PhD has been nominated best publication of the Tilburg Law School. Prior to his academic career he practiced law as in-house counsel and as legal advisor at one of the

Netherlands' biggest law firms advising on arbitration cases and complex settlement cases. After joining the TISCO Tilburg Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies of Civil Law and Conflict Resolution System, he worked on various consultancy projects for clients as the Dutch Ministry of Justice, victims' rights organizations, the insurance industry, and the construction industry. He is also a registered mediator and coordinator of TISCO. In his research Professor Kamminga takes an interdisciplinary approach to contracting including economic and social psychological perspectives next to a legal analysis. He has published several articles and co-authored books on various themes such as contracts and cooperation, the role of standards in personal injury claim handling, access to justice, the role of the legal system in optimizing collaboration between private and public parties and ADR. He has developed and taught several courses on complex contracts, construction law negotiation, and mediation.

### **Robert Cholenský**

Robert Cholenský is attorney at Law, especially dealing with IP Law, Health Law and Medical Malpractice, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Mediation and Arbitration. From 1998 to 2004 he attended Masaryk University and from 2002 to 2003 the University of Nebraska – Lincoln.

### **Rupert Choat**

Rupert Choat is a partner and solicitor advocate in CMS Cameron McKenna team and deputy head of the Real Estate and Construction sector group. He has specialised in dispute avoidance and resolution in construction and engineering projects (including commercial, residential, industrial, process plant, energy, infrastructure, transport, health, hotels, life-sciences, education and military) since 1997 - both in the UK and internationally (Turkey, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Qatar, Poland, Kosovo, Czech Republic, Bangladesh, Vietnam and Tanzania). His experience spans mediation, expert determination, DAB/DRB, adjudication, arbitration (under, among others, ICC, LCIA, UNCITRAL and CIMA rules) and court proceedings. He started his career as a barrister at Atkin Chambers, and he often appears as advocate. He comments on construction issues in a variety of media, particularly seminars, training sessions and articles. Chambers & Partners 2009 and 2010 both recommend him for construction, describing him as 'a gifted intellectual and good manager of a team'. He is one of only two UK lawyers Legal500 recommends for both international arbitration and construction. He is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation, the International Bar Association, the International Chamber of Commerce, the LCIA Young International Arbitration Group, the UK Technology and Construction Solicitors Association, the Society of Construction Law and the Solicitors Association of Higher Court Advocates.

### **Simon Cachia**

Simon Cachia is a partner at Cachia Advocates in Floriana, Malta. He studied law at the University of Malta (B.A. in Legal and Humanistic Studies (First Class Degree), 2002; Doctor of Laws (LL.D.), 2005) and at the University of Cambridge, UK (LL.M. Masters Degree, 2007). He was admitted to the Bar in 2004 and deals mainly with Corporate and Financial Services, Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution, Company law, Commercial law and Competition law. He speaks Maltese, English, Italian and French. Simon Cachia is a visiting lecturer in the Law of Obligations at the University of Malta and is a member of the Institute of Financial Services Practitioners (IFSP), Malta.

### **Stavros Pavlou**

Stavros Pavlou is senior and managing partner in Patrikios Pavlou & Co. law office in Limassol, Cyprus. His areas of practice are many: Banking Law, Finance, Company Law, Corporate Commercial Law, Stock Exchange Law, Capital Markets, Mergers and Acquisitions, Civil Law, Criminal Law, Commercial Litigation, International Tax Planning, Arbitration, Travel and Tourism Law, Intellectual Property, Trademarks, Information Technology, European Law, Internet and E-Commerce Law.

His education comprehends: London School of Economics (B.Sc., Economics); City University (Dipl. Law); Gray's Inn (Barrister at Law, 1985).

He was admitted to the Bar of Cyprus in 1986 and is member of the International Bar Association, Limassol Bar Association, Cyprus Bar Association and the English Bar Association.

### **Thomas Kustor**

Thomas Kustor has been a partner of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer since 2001 and works in the office in Vienna. His core practice area is dispute resolution, and he specialises in the conduct of lawsuits in all fields of business law, particularly company, construction and plant construction law, commercial law and liability law. He has advised and represented in several industrial engineering matters as well as in contentious matters involving banks and financial institutions.

He was born in Vienna, Austria, in 1966. He received his legal education at the universities of Vienna and Exeter, UK. He holds a Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Vienna and received his Master of Laws (LLM) degree from Exeter University. He is the author of articles on dispute resolution and lectures at seminars. He was admitted to the Austrian Bar in 1994.

He joined the firm where he is now working in 1999 and speaks German and English.