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## CURRENT POSITION

**Legal Counsel at SLCG Law Firm, Florence, Milan, Rome, Paris**  
**MDisputes**

Jun 2021 – to date

## FORMER POSITIONS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

**FLORENCE INTERNATIONAL MEDIATION CHAMBER (FIMC) –Secretariat**

**Area of expertise: Alternative Dispute Resolution Services**

### a) International experience:

- Establishment of the Florence International Dispute Resolution Academy (FIDRA). Position covered: Director of Didactic. Task performed: assisting the Scientific Committee in developing training programs and events. Dealing with teachers/speakers and attendees. Tutoring of the classes.
- Establishment of the Florence International Mediation Chamber (FIMC), the international mediation service of the Florence Chamber of Commerce.
- Study of international commercial conflicts and dispute settlement tools;
- Drafting of international mediation rules, mediators code of ethics, fees chart system;
- International mediation case management.
- Relationships with international mediators and mediators panel set up.
- Mentoring of international dispute resolution institutions in setting up international mediation services (i.e. Tashkent International Arbitration Centre – TIAC)
- Dealings with leading international arbitration and mediation institutions, such as PCA (Permanent Court of Arbitration at The Hague), SIMC (Singapore International Mediation Centre), AAA/ICDR (American Arbitration Association/International Center for Dispute Resolution), NYIAC (New York International Arbitration Center), TIAC (Tashkent International Arbitration Center) which have resulted in cooperation agreements between the Chamber of Commerce of Florence and these respective institutions.
- Participation IN UNCITRAL Working Group II (Dispute Settlement) sessions on behalf of the FIMC has been admitted as observer. In this capacity, I have made statements and drawn up position papers on the basis of the Chamber of Commerce of Florence domestic and international experience in the field of mediation, , coordinated consultation meetings with mediation stakeholders in order to gather opinions and perspectives to be submitted to the Uncitral delegates consideration, held dealings with other observer institutions in order of planning focused actions. In particular, I have followed the whole course of the creation of the instrument for the recognition and enforcement of settlement agreement resulting from international mediation proceedings (Singapore Convention).
- Organization of international conferences in the matter of disputes resolution and access to justice, such as the following:
- “Succeeding through mediation – how mediation can deliver results in international disputes”. Florence 29 May 2015;
- “Global Pound Conference Series 2016-2017: shaping the future of dispute resolution and improving access to justice” – Florence edition, Representative of the Local organizing committee. Florence, 8 June 2017;
- “Access to justice and ADR: continental Europe meets USA”. Florence, 28 May 2019.

### b) Domestic experience:

- Accredited mediator at the Italian Ministry of Justice (June 2011 – to date)
- Deputy manager at the Chamber of Commerce of Florence domestic mediation service (Genuary 2013-Genuary 2017);
- Drafting of mediation rules, mediators code of ethics, fees chart.
- Mediation cases management;
- Mediators appointment;
- Dealings and commitments to the Italian Ministry of Justice on behalf of the Chamber of Commerce of Florence domestic mediation service;
- Arbitration secretariat (Genuary 2013-to date);
- Organization of conferences and events concerning mediation and arbitration topics, such as “Le prospettive della mediazione: quali scenari per il futuro?”. Florence, 3 November 2016.

**M&A Department (since February 2017)**

**Main tasks performed:**

- Advising and supporting the Chamber of commerce board in the decision-making process regarding the companies in which the Chamber of commerce has a role of shareholder or partner;
- Handling company law matters including, but not limited to, company set up, merger and acquisitions operations, company winding up, board members appointments.;
- Representing the Chamber of commerce in shareholders meetings;
- Drafting of company papers, as articles of association, proxies, meeting records, and so on;
- Drafting of typical company law contracts (i.e. shares transactions, shareholders agreements, joint ventures)

Speeches and lectures (in both Italian and English):

- "Global Perspectives for a Changing ADR Landscape: 2020 and Beyond" – webinar organized by the New York International Arbitration Centre (NYIAC), New York State Bar Association (NYSBA), Florence International Mediation Chamber (FIMC), Center for International Investment and Commercial Arbitration (CIICA), 22 May 2020;
- "The Practice of FIMC" – "Doshisha University 2019 - Modernity's Challenges to Law and Dispute Resolution", Tuebingen University (Germany), 26 November 2019;
- "I vantaggi dell'arbitrato amministrato per le parti e per gli avvocati" – Ordine degli avvocati di Napoli, 7 novembre 2019;
- "Global Pound Conference: shaping the future of dispute resolution and improving access to justice" – Speaker in the panel "PROMOTING BETTER ACCESS TO JUSTICE: WHAT ACTION ITEMS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AND BY WHOM?", Organizer and Representative of the Local Organizing committee - 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> June 2017;
- "Scuola di scienze aziendali", Florence: lecture about mediation and the usefulness for future managers, 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016 and 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017;
- European School of Economics: lecture about mediation and role-play of a mediation case to MBA students (held in English), 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015
- Clarkson University, New York: lecture about mediation and role-play of a mediation case to MBA students (held in English) 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016
- Hoffstra University, New York: lecture about mediation and role-play of a mediation case to summer program students (held in English), 30<sup>th</sup> May 2013
- Trainee Lawyers of Koblenz Supreme Court: lecture about mediation and role-play of a mediation case to summer program students (held in English), 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016
- International Wine Law Association – Annual Conference: speech entitled "Private ADR proceedings in the wine sector: Florence Chamber of Commerce Mediation and Arbitration services". University of Siena, 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

Publications:

"Le interazioni tra arbitrato e mediazione" – in "L'arbitrato amministrato: profili interni e internazionali", Tanzi, Sardu, Ed. Editoriale Scientifica, 2021

<b><u>Chamber of Commerce of Lucca, Lucca, Italy</u></b> Companies Registry officer	Apr 2008 - Sept. 2010
<b><u>Chamber of Commerce of Florence, Florence, Italy</u></b> Accounting department officer	Sept 2007 - Mar 2008
<b><u>Chamber of Commerce of Lucca, Lucca, Italy</u></b> Companies Registry Book officer	Mar 2006 -Sept. 2007
<b><u>Chamber of Commerce of Florence, Florence, Italy</u></b> Companies Registry Book officer	May 2003 – Oct 2005

**Trainee Lawyer, Bechi Law Firm, Pistoia, Italy** Gen 2003–Gen 2005

Areas of specialization: Contract law, Civil law and procedure, tort law, commercial law, company law, arbitration

Main activities/duties:

- drafted agreements, real estate agreements;
- drafting of complaints, answers of defendants and arbitration awards;
- examined case-files and conducted legal research to determine advisability of filing lawsuit;
- litigation cases: communications with counterparts.

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**EDUCATION:**

- **Degree in law, Università degli studi di Firenze, Italy**  
Final dissertation in Commercial law - Thesis title: "Predatory pricing". Other specific law areas studied: company, bankruptcy, M & A, I.P., tax, administrative.
- **Bar admission**

#### TRAINING:

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| • "Soft Skills" – Scuola Nazionale dell'Amministrazione (SNA)  | Oct 2019 – Mar 2020 |
| • International Legal English – British Institute, Florence  | Nov 2016- Mar 2017  |
| • International Legal English – British Institute, Florence  | Oct 2015 – May 2016 |
| • EFLIT-English for Law & International Transactions, University of Parma, Italy   | Gen 2015-Mar 2015   |
| • Mediation in medical liability and medical malpractice, Fondazione dei dottori commercialisti ed esperti contabili, Florence | Dec 2013            |
| • Mediation and real rights - Chamber of Commerce of Florence  | Sept 2013           |
| • Arbitration and bankruptcy, Chamber of Commerce of Florence with Florence bar association                                    | May 2013            |
| • Arbitration in company disputes, Chamber of Commerce of Florence with Florence bar association                               | Apr 2013            |
| • Refresher course for mediator , Milan Arbitration Chamber  | Jul 2013            |
| • Mediation and car accident liability - Chamber of Commerce of Florence   | Sept 2012           |
| • Mediation and consumer law - Fondazione dei dottori commercialisti ed esperti contabili, Florence                            | May 2012            |
| • Specialization course for mediators, Fondazione dei dottori commercialisti ed esperti contabili, Florence                    | Nov 2010- Dec 2010  |

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#### Language Skills:

- Italian (native)
  - English (upper intermediate) - Toles certificate: international legal english (higher)
  - French (basis)
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Florence, 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

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