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#### INTRODUCTION

Matei is an associate in the International Arbitration Group of Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, based in Dubai. After joining Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer in 2008 in the firm's Paris office, Matei worked as an associate in the arbitration practice group of Tuca, Zbârcea & Asociații in Romania and qualified as advocate with the Bucharest Bar in 2009. During that time, Matei was also an external assistant lecturer in public international law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Bucharest.

Matei holds law degrees from both the University of Paris I Pantheon - Sorbonne and the University of Bucharest – Faculty of Law. He also has a Masters degree in International and European Law from the Institut du Droit de la Paix et du Developpement of the University of Nice.

Matei focuses his practice on investment treaty arbitrations (having represented both foreign investors and sovereign States) as well as real-estate, engineering, construction and other major commercial disputes. He has acted as counsel in matters before ICSID, ICC, DIAC and the Court of International Commercial Arbitration of Bucharest. Matei also acts as arbitrator or as administrative secretary to arbitral tribunals in ICC and DIAC arbitration proceedings.

Matei is a regular speaker at international arbitration conferences and has published articles on a variety of arbitration-related subjects. Since 2014, he is a regularly invited lecturer on dispute resolution in the construction sector at the International Arbitration LLM at the Faculty of Law of the Bucharest University.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1 May 2011 – to date	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (Dubai) – Associate (international arbitration group)
1 September 2009 – 31 April 2011	University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law – Assistant lecturer in Public International Law
1 October 2008 – 31 April 2011	Ţuca, Zbârcea & Asociații (Bucharest) – Associate (international arbitration practice)
5 May 2008 – 30 September 2008	Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (Paris) – Intern (international arbitration group)
1 March 2007 – 15 September 2007	Ţuca, Zbârcea & Asociații (Bucharest) – Intern

# **EDUCATION**

2007 – 2008	University of Nice Sophia-Antipolis, Institut du droit de la paix et du developpement, Nice, France Master's Degree – International and European Law (M2)
2003 – 2007	University of Bucharest, Faculty of Law, Bucharest, Romania Law Degree – equivalent of the French "Maitrise en Droit"
2003 - 2006	University of Paris I Pantheon – Sorbonne Collège Juridique Franco-Roumain d'Etudes Européennes, Bucharest, Romania Law degree – "Licence en droit"

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

M Purice, *Natural persons as claimants under the ICSID Convention*, in C Baltag, *ICSID Convention After 50 Years: Unsettled Issues*, Wolter Kluwers (2017);

M Purice, *Time limit for rendering the award*, in C Leaua, F Baias, *Arbitration in Romania: A Practitioner's Guide*, Kluwer Law International (2016);

S Tannous, M Purice, Multilateral Investment Treaties to protect investments into Middle East and North Africa, Romanian Arbitration Review (RAR), 2 (2017);

A Farhad, M Purice, An introduction to the Dubai International Financial Centre - a jurisdiction within a jurisdiction, RAR, 1 (2013);

M Purice, Multi-tier dispute resolution mechanisms: Enforcement issues, RAR, 4 (2012);

L Zigmund, C Metea, M Purice, EDF Services Limited v. Romania – An analysis, RAR, 2 (2011);

C Metea, M Purice, Is the state responsible for the conduct of state owned enterprises?, Just in Case, 5 (2010).

# MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- Bucharest Bar Association;
- Romanian Lawyers' Association;
- ICC UAE;
- ICC YAF;
- ASA Below 40;
- Society of Construction Law Gulf.

# LANGUAGES

Romanian (native), English (fluent), French (fluent).