

Roopa Mathews

Senior Associate, Zurich



Roopa specialises in international commercial and investment arbitration. She advises and represents clients in complex disputes in various industry sectors, including aerospace, chemical manufacturing, construction, and energy. Roopa has acted as counsel and tribunal secretary in arbitrations under various procedural rules, including the ICC, ICSID, LCIA and FAI Arbitration Rules.

Roopa is a lecturer in English law at Goethe University in Frankfurt, Germany.

Current professional memberships

- + Member of the International Nuclear Law Association (INLA)
- + Member of DIS and DIS40
- + Member of ASA and ASA below 40

Career history

- + Senior Associate, LALIVE, Zurich, 2024 – present
- + Associate, LALIVE, Zurich, 2021 – 2023
- + Associate, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, Frankfurt, 2018 – 2021
- + Trainee Solicitor, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London and Washington, DC, 2016 – 2018

Academic qualifications

- + Master of Laws in Public International Law, London School of Economics, 2015
- + Bachelor of Laws, University of Bristol (First Class Honours), 2014

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Practices

- + Arbitration - International Commercial
- + Arbitration - Investment Treaty

Sectors

- + Construction & Infrastructure
- + Energy
- + Technology

Languages

- + English
- + French
- + German
- + Spanish
- + Malayalam

Nationality

- + Swiss

Admission

- + England & Wales, Solicitor-Advocate, 2021
- + Ireland, 2021
- + England & Wales, 2018

Recent publications

Managing risk in nuclear construction projects

MELISSA MAGLIANA, ROOPA MATHEWS

In: Construction Law International, 26 July 2024 and LALIVE Blog, 06 May 2024

Payward v Chechetkin: Consumer protection trumps enforceability of crypto award

ROOPA MATHEWS, KRYSTAL LEE

In: Lexology online, LALIVE Blog, 2023

Challenging Homogeneity in International Arbitration: Towards Greater Diversity and Inclusion in Counsel Teams

ROOPA MATHEWS, ELIANE FISCHER

In: The International Journal of Arbitration, Mediation and Dispute Management (Vol. 89, Issue 2), 2023

Recent conferences

ASA below 40 - Spring Seminar

ROOPA MATHEWS, Role: Speaker, Early Dismissal & Preliminary Determination – Good or Bad Idea?

Geneva, 14 June 2024

DIS40 - Co-Chairs Circle Conference 2024

ROOPA MATHEWS, Role: Workshop moderator, The Future of International Arbitration

Frankfurt, 17 May 2024

ARBinBRIEF - Arbitration as a tool to facilitate settlement

ROOPA MATHEWS, Role: Moderator, Arbitration as a tool to facilitate settlement

Online, 22 November 2023