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Lorraine de Germiny Partner, London

Lorraine specialises in international arbitration, both commercial and investment treaty arbitration, with a particular focus on high value, complex disputes in the mining and energy sectors.

Hailed as "results oriented, practical, flexible, open-minded, and insightful" Legal 500 UK Dispute Resolution, International Arbitration, 2025, Lorraine has acted as counsel in a high number of international arbitral proceedings, either ad hoc (including UNCITRAL) or administered (under the rules of the ICC and ICSID), governed by various procedural and substantive laws.

Current professional memberships

- + Member of ArbitralWomen
- + Founding member of Women in Mining, Switzerland

Career history

- + Partner, LALIVE, London, 2021-present
- + Counsel, LALIVE, Geneva, 2018 2020
- + Associate, LALIVE, Geneva 2014 2018
- + Associate, King & Spalding, Paris, 2008 2014
- + Associate, Dewey LeBoeuf, New York and Paris, 2006 2008

Academic qualifications

- + Licence with honours from the University of Rennes, 2003
- JD (Juris Doctor), Tulane University Law School (cum laude), New Orleans, 2005
- + LLM, Columbia Law School (Harlan Fiske Stone scholar), 2006



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Practices

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

Sectors

- + Energy
- + Mining

Languages

- + English
- + French

Nationality

- + American
- + French

Admission

- + Paris, 2012
- + New York, 2006

"A powerhouse of arbitration"

Who's Who Legal Future Leaders, Most Highly Regarded, Arbitration, 2023

Recognition

"Lorraine de Germiny oozes expertise while being easy going and helpful". *Legal 500 UK, Dispute Resolution, International Arbitration, 2024*

Peers describe Lorraine as "very smart and capable". Who's Who Future Leaders, Most Highly Regarded, Arbitration, 2023

Lorraine de Germiny is an "exceptionally talented" and "extremely smart and driven" lawyer. She is distinguished for her "very skilled and thoughtful" approach to disputes.

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Recent publications

Russia Update: Exodus from extractive industries and latest measures against foreign investors LORRAINE DE GERMINY, ROBERT BRADSHAW In: LALIVE Blog online, September 2022

New model BIT for African States facilitates counterclaims against foreign investors LORRAINE DE GERMINY, ANNA KORSHUNOVA In: Corporate Responsibility (CR) Series – Issue 7, 2022

Possible claims against Russia for expropriation of foreign investments MATTHIAS SCHERER, JOACHIM KNOLL, LORRAINE DE GERMINY, EMILIE MCCONAUGHEY In: LALIVE Blog online, April 2022

Recent conferences

Cambridge Arbitration Day - International Arbitration in times of crisis LORRAINE DE GERMINY, Role: Speaker, Sanctions and post-award implications *John's College, University of Cambridge, 14 April 2023*

Center for International Legal Studies (CILS) - The Social License to Operate and the Protection of Foreign Investments and Human Rights LORRAINE DE GERMINY, Role: Speaker *King's College Strand Campus, London, 3 November 2022*

European Federation for Investment Law and Arbitration (EFILA) - 7th Annual Conference LORRAINE DE GERMINY, Role: Speaker, What options remain after the ISDS-ban in the EU? Amsterdam, 9 June 2022