

Sam Moss

Partner, Zurich



Sam specialises in international arbitration with a focus on construction and engineering disputes, in particular in the energy sector. Trained in both civil and common law, he is recognised as “an esteemed construction specialist who stands out for his remarkable expertise in contract negotiations and dispute resolution across the sector”, *Who’s Who Legal Thought Leaders, Construction & Real Estate, 2022*.

He has acted as counsel or arbitrator in numerous international arbitration proceedings conducted under the major arbitration rules and governed by a variety of substantive laws, including in relation to disputes concerning the construction of industrial facilities, power plants, highways, airports, oil and gas facilities, and offshore structures, and the supply of industrial, power generation, and marine equipment. He also assists clients with the management of claims in construction projects, and on the drafting and negotiation of construction contracts.

Current professional memberships

- + Founder and co-chair of YConstruction, an international group for young construction arbitration practitioners
- + Co-Chair of the Dispute Resolution Subcommittee of the International Bar Association’s International Construction Projects Committee
- + Member of the Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA)
- + Member of the Young Canadian Arbitration Practitioners

Career history

- + Partner, LALIVE, 2022 – present
- + Counsel, LALIVE, 2018 – 2021
- + Associate, LALIVE, 2008 – 2018
- + Assistant Legal Counsel, Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague, 2006 – 2007
- + Law clerk to a judge of Quebec Court of Appeal, 2005 – 2006

Academic qualifications

- + Centre for Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, King’s College London, graduate studies in construction law and technology (structures, mechanics, materials, geotechnics)
- + Master of International Studies in International Law, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, 2007 – 2009
- + BCL / LLB Hon (joint common and civil law degrees), McGill University, Canada, 2002 – 2006

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Practices

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

Sectors

- + Construction & Infrastructure
- + Energy

Languages

- + English
- + French
- + German

Nationality

- + British
- + Canadian
- + Swiss

Admission

- + New York, 2009

“Top tier handling of international arbitration proceedings”

Who’s Who Legal Thought Leaders, Construction & Real Estate, 2020

Recognition

Listed among the global Thought Leaders in Construction

Who's Who Legal Thought Leaders, Construction & Real Estate, 2023

Samuel Moss stands out as “a dynamic and smart lawyer” for his brilliant practice in disputes encompassing the construction and energy sectors.

Who's Who Legal Thought Leaders, Construction & Real Estate, 2022

“Very diligent, focussed and follows through on every detail.”

Legal 500 EMEA, 2020

Recent publications

Applying FIDIC Contracts in Switzerland

SAM MOSS, TINO SCHNEIDER, JEAN-RODOLPHE FIECHTER

In: Donald Charrett (Ed.), FIDIC Contracts in Europe: A Practical Guide to Application, Informa Law, London, 2022

The new FIDIC Green Book Short Form of Contract explained

SAM MOSS, CHINA IRWIN, LEA MURPHY

In: Lexology (online), 10 February 2022

The 2021 ICC Arbitration Rules – what revised joinder and consolidation rules mean for construction disputes

BERND EHLE, SAM MOSS

In: The International Law Office (ILO) – Projects, Construction & Infrastructure Newsletter, 2021

Recent conferences

Swiss Arbitration Association (ASA) Construction Group - ASA

Construction Roundtable – The Price is Right – or not?

SAM MOSS , Role: Speaker, Moderator

Zurich, 19 September 2023

Ukrainian Arbitration Association - UAA Online Arbitration School 2021

SAM MOSS , Role: Speaker, Introduction to Arbitration in Construction

Disputes

Online, 22 April 2021

International Bar Association - International Construction Projects

Committee - Where's the Money? Impact of insolvency on a construction project and on the parties in the contractual pyramid

SAM MOSS , Role: Moderator

Webinar, 16 November 2020