

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL COUNSEL



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- Manager of the Law Firm MCI (Madagascar Conseil International) (since 1999)
- Administrator of EDBM (Economic Development Board of Madagascar), appointed by the President of the Republic, by virtue of his particular competence with regard to climate investment (since 2015)
- Former Special Counsel at the International Court of Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Paris (1989-1999)
- Former General Secretary of CAMM (Centre d'Arbitrage et de Médiation de Madagascar) (2001-2011)
- Expert of UNCITRAL (United Nations Commission On International Trade Law) for Sub-Saharan Africa (since 2010)
- Seminar Director in Law and Diplomacy at CEDS (Centre d'Etudes Diplomatiques et Stratégiques de Madagascar)
- Professor of International investment Law studies at UCM (Université Catholique de Madagascar)
- Arbitrator appointed by Malagasy State among the list of ICSID Arbitrators (Washington)

EDUCATION

1988 : DESS International Business Lawyer, University of Paris V – Masters in International Business Law, University of Panthéon Sorbonne (1987)

1987: Masters in International Business Law, University of Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne

1982 : Diploma in International Studies, Institut des Hautes Etudes Internationales de Paris II - Sorbonne

1980 : Diploma in Political Studies, Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris

LANGUAGES

Malagasy: Native speaking

French: Good

English: Good

MEMBERSHIP IN ASSOCIATIONS/PROFESSIONAL GROUPS :

- Member of International de Droit et d'Expression Française
- Rotary Club of Ankorondrano, Antananarivo

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

• *Current professional responsibilities :*

Since 1999 : Managing partner of the Law Firm Madagascar Conseil International (MCI), Antananarivo :
A Law Firm, with fifteen Legal Advisers and Lawyers, specialized in public and private International law, in international contracts, in arbitration.

- Since 2003 : Publication Director of the « Revue juridique de MCI » :
- A quarterly magazine – only magazine specialized in Malagasy Business Law and International Law– covering doctrine, jurisprudence in matters of Business Law, and Malagasy legal issues.
- **Past professional responsibilities :**
- 2001 – 2011 : Secretary General of the Arbitration and Mediation Center of Madagascar (CAMM): Setting up of the CAMM, Management of arbitration proceedings
- 1989 – 1999 : Special Counsel at the International Court of Arbitration, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Paris :in charge of Commercial Arbitration in Sub-Saharan Africa

TEACHINGS

- Seminar Director in Law and Diplomacy at CEDS (Centre d'Etudes Diplomatiques et Stratégiques de Madagascar), since 2020
- Professor of International Law at CEDS (Centre d'Etudes Diplomatiques et Stratégiques de Madagascar), since 2014
- Professor of International investment Law at UCM (Université Catholique de Madagascar), since 2003

OTHER INFORMATION

- Expert of the World Bank / IFC for Madagascar within the Doing Business Report Madagascar
- Expert of UNCITRAL (United Nations Commission On International Trade Law) for Sub-Saharan Africa

PUBLICATIONS

- Guide des traités internationaux sur le Droit du Commerce International, Madagascar, Editions MCI, 2011
- Arbitration in Africa : A Practitioner's Guide, 2013

Published articles (selection of articles)

IN FRENCH

- La gestion des Iles éparses, Revue MCI n° 86, 2019
- Les contrats de fourniture de la JIRAMA, Revue n° 85, 2019
- Arbitrage et sécurisation juridique des investissements : l'arbitrage, comme moyen de sécurisation des investissements à Madagascar, RJOI 2017 n° 24
- Droit et pratique de l'Arbitrage à Madagascar, Revue de l'Arbitrage (France), n°3

IN ENGLISH

- Arbitration in Developing Countries, International Law Review, 1998
- ICC Maritime Arbitration, BIMCO REVIEW, 1996

Distinctions

- « Corbeil » award given by the Académie des Sciences morales et politiques (France), 2002.
- Honorary awards : Silver and Bronze Workers' medals of Madagascar
- Decorated "Chevalier of the National Order of Merit" by Malagasy State in June 2019