

# ARMESTO & ASOCIADOS

ÁRBITROS

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Sofia de Sampaio Jalles is a partner at Armesto & Asociados, a firm of arbitrators founded by Juan Fernández-Armesto. She is a Portuguese national, trained as a lawyer in France.

Sofia acts as arbitrator and secretary to arbitral tribunals in international and domestic arbitration proceedings, both *ad hoc* and administered, involving commercial and investment disputes. Most of the cases are administered by ICC, ICSID, PCA and Spanish arbitral institutions. As to the *ad hoc* arbitrations, most of them are subject to the UNCITRAL Rules.

Sofia's work has been recognized by Who's Who Legal "Future Leaders" in international arbitration in 2021, 2022 and 2023.

### Professional memberships and activities

- Admitted to the *Barreau de Paris*
- Co-Director of the Mentoring Program of the *Club Español de Arbitraje* (2022-)
- Member of the International Commission of the Arbitration Centre of the Portuguese Chamber of Commerce (2022-)
- Member of the Counsel of Investment Arbitration of the Portuguese Arbitration Association (2022-)
- Group Advisor of the Young ICCA Mentoring Programme 2022-2023
- Co-Chair of IASC (International Arbitration Seminars & Courses) (2022-)
- Co-Founder of the Sports Arbitration Moot (2021-)
- Secretary of the Commission for the definition of International Arbitration of the Madrid International Arbitration Center (2020-2021)
- Member of the Steering Committee for the drafting of the Code of Best Practices in Sports Arbitration of the Spanish Club of Arbitration (2020-)
- Co-Founder of MAD VYAP (Madrid Very Young Arbitration Practitioners) (2019-2021)
- Member of Young ICSID
- Member of the ICC Young Arbitrators Forum
- Member of Young ICCA
- Member of the Spanish Club of Arbitration (*Club Español del Arbitraje*)
- Member of the Portuguese Arbitration Association (*Associação Portuguesa de Arbitragem*)



## **Professional Experience**

Before joining Armesto & Asociados, Sofia gained experience in the international arbitration team of Dechert (Paris) LLP.

In 2014 Sofia worked in the Mergers & Acquisitions team of PDGB Avocats in Paris, France. Prior to that she gained experience in the Competition and European Union Law team of the Portuguese law firm Vieira de Almeida & Associados, in Lisbon, Portugal.

## **Education**

Sofia holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Sciences from the prestigious university of Sciences Po Paris, obtained in 2011. Sofia participated in an exchange program during which she spent a year at King's College London.

Sofia also holds a Master's degree in Economic Law, with a specialisation in litigation and international arbitration, from Sciences Po Paris, which she obtained in 2014.

Finally, from 2014 to 2016, Sofia joined the *Ecole de Formation des Barreaux de la Cour d'appel de Paris*, completing her education as a lawyer and obtaining the *Certificat d'Aptitude à la Profession d'Avocat*.

## **Languages**

- Portuguese (mother tongue);
- French (bilingual);
- English (bilingual);
- Spanish (bilingual).



## LIST OF ARBITRATIONS

### As Arbitrator

1. **Swiss Company vs. Panamanian Company**, Co-Arbitrator, CIAM, Colombian Law, Spanish language, (2022).
2. **Portuguese Company vs. Spanish Company**, President of the Tribunal, *ad hoc*, aircraft management agreement, Portuguese law, English language, (2021).
3. **Honduran Company vs. Spanish construction Company**, Sole Arbitrator, Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid, construction agreement, Spanish law, Spanish language, (2020).

### As Secretary or Assistant to the Arbitral Tribunal / Sole Arbitrator

4. **Eastern European public company vs. Eastern European public company**, Administrative Secretary (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: Y. Derains and K. P. Berger), *ad hoc*, gas supply agreement, Swedish law, English language. Counsel to Claimant: Castrén & Snellman Attorneys and Mannheimer Swartling Advokatbyrå. Counsel to Respondent: Mansors, (2022).
5. **Encavis and others vs. Italian Republic**, Assistant to the Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: W. Miles QC and A. Mourre), ICSID Case No. ARB/20/39, investment arbitration, English language. Counsel to Claimants: King & Spalding. Counsel to Respondent: Avvocatura dello Stato and Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale, (2021).
6. **Arab Company and National vs. Arab State**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: C. Poncet and N. G. Ziadé), OIC Investment Agreement (ICC), English language. Counsel to Claimants: DLA Piper and Dr. Ioannis Konstantinidis. Counsel to Respondent: Mr. Christopher Harris QC and Squire Patton Boggs, (2020).
7. **Indian Company v. African State**, Administrative Secretary to the Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: G. Santiago Tawil and H. Perezcano Díaz), UNCITRAL, English language. Counsel to Claimant: Addleshaw Goddard LLP, Miranda & Asociados and Pimenta & Asociados; Counsel to Respondent: Dorsey & Whitney LLP, (2020).
8. **Mauritian Company vs. BVI and Mauritian Companies**, Administrative Secretary (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: P. Friedland and A. Soveral Martins), ICC, shareholders' agreement, law of African Republic, English language. Counsel to Claimant: Sullivan & Cromwell; Counsel to Respondent: Mayer Brown, (2019).
9. **LSG Building Solutions GmbH and others vs. Romania**, Assistant to the Arbitral Tribunal, (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: P.M. Dupuy and O. T. Johnson Jr.), ICSID Case No. ARB/18/19, investment arbitration under the Energy Charter Treaty, English language. Counsel to Claimants: King & Spalding; Counsel to Respondent: Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle, (2019).
10. **Brazilian Company vs. Brazilian Companies**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: P. Mota Pinto), ICC, share



purchase agreement, Brazilian law, Portuguese language. Counsel to Claimant: Mattos Filho, Veiga Filho, Marrey Jr. e Quiroga Advogados; Ferro, Castro Neves, Daltro & Gomide Advogados; Wilmer Cutler Pickering Hale and Dorr; King & Spalding. Counsel to Respondent 1: E. Munhoz Advogados; Lefosse Advogados; Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer. Counsel to Respondent 2: Bichara Advogados, White & Case, (2019).

11. **Gramercy Funds Management LLC and Gramercy Peru Holdings LLC vs. Republic of Peru**, Assistant to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J.Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: S. Drymer and B. Stern), UNCITRAL administered by ICSID, investment arbitration under TPA USA-Peru; English and Spanish languages. Counsel to Claimant: Debevoise & Plimpton; Rodrigo, Elias & Medrano. Counsel to Respondent: Arnold & Porter Kaye Schole LLP, (2018).
12. **Private Companies and Individuals vs. Brazilian Entity**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: S. K. Chermont de Britto and N. C. da Silva Flores), ICC, settlement agreement, Brazilian law, Portuguese language. Counsel to Claimant: Didier, Sodré & Rosa; Shearman & Sterling LLP; Herbert Smith Freehills LLP; In-house. Counsel to Respondent: Tozzini Freire Advogados; Siqueira, Bottrel, Almeida e Silva Advogados; Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton, (2018).
13. **Luxembourg Holding Company vs. Luxembourg Holding Company**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: A. Hierro and D. Arias), ICC, share purchase agreement, Portuguese law, English language. Counsel to Claimant: PLMJ Advogados; Counsel to Respondent: Morais Leitão, Galvão Teles, Soares da Silva & Associados, (2018).
14. **DP World Limited vs. Kingdom of Belgium**, Assistant to the Chairman (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: B. Stern and S. Alexandrov), ICSID Case No. ARB/17/21, investment arbitration under BIT, English language, (2017).
15. **Oil and Gas Company vs. African State-Owned Entity**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: E. Damião Gonçalves and J. E. Nunes Pinto), UNCITRAL (ICC), production sharing contract, Portuguese language, (2017).
16. **French distillery vs. Spanish distillery**, Administrative Secretary to the Sole Arbitrator, Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid, *ex aequo et bono*, Spanish language, (2016).
17. **Spanish Fund manager vs. Spanish Venture Capital Fund**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal, Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid, Spanish law and language, (2016).
18. **Spanish beverage producer vs. Distributor of beverage**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal, Corte Española de Arbitraje, distribution agreement, Spanish law and language, (2016).
19. **Spanish construction company vs. Spanish construction company**, Secretary to the Emergency Arbitrator, Corte Española de Arbitraje, consortium agreement, Spanish law and language, (2016).
20. **Spanish and Chilean train construction companies vs. Canadian and Chilean train construction companies**, Administrative Secretary to the Sole Arbitrator, ICC, consortium agreement, Spanish law, English language, (2016).



21. **UAE Investor vs. Brazilian Investors**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal (chairman: J. Fernández-Armesto; co-arbitrators: P. Batista Martins and V. Galíndez), ICC, shareholders agreement relating to a major construction project, Brazilian law, English language, (2016).
22. **PT Ventures, SGPS, S.A. vs. The Republic of Cabo Verde**, Assistant to the Arbitral Tribunal, ICSID Case No. ARB/15/12, investment arbitration under BIT, Portuguese language, (2015).
23. **Telecom Company vs. African State**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal, ICC, shareholders' agreement, Portuguese language, (2015).
24. **State-Owned Oil and Gas Company vs. Agency of a State**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal, ICC, concession agreement, Portuguese language, (2014).
25. **European Republic vs. Private Companies**, Administrative Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal, ICC, privatization in the shipbuilding sector, English language, (2014).

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### CONFERENCES, COURSES AND PUBLICATIONS

1. “*La cultura jurídica y la lengua como punto de encuentro del arbitraje*” – speaker at the *Jornada sobre Arbitraje Internacional en Iberoamérica* (Madrid, Spain) (2022).
2. “Arbitral Parents” – moderator of the panel organized by the Under 40 section of the *Club Español del Arbitraje* (CEA-40), Equal Representation in Arbitration and Women Way in Arbitration (2022).
3. “Public policy and foreign obstacles to the arbitral proceeding” – speaker at the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Seminario Alpestre* of the Swiss Chapter of the *Club Español del Arbitraje* (2022).
4. “Cultural elements in the organization of the arbitral procedure” – speaker at the *XIII Conferencia Latinoamericana de Arbitraje* (Montevideo, Uruguay) (2022).
5. “Legitimate Expectations in Domestic Legal Systems and Public International Law” – moderator of a webinar organized by the American Society of International Law (2022).
6. “Arbitration: A return to normality” – speaker in an event organized by ICC YAF (Lisbon, Portugal) (2021).
7. “The Arbitration Agreement and its impact on the proceedings” – speaker at the 5<sup>th</sup> Advanced Seminary on Arbitration of ICC Portugal (Lisbon, Portugal) (2021).
8. Co-Author of “Conflicts of Interest in the Code of Best Practices in Arbitration Published by the Spanish Arbitration Club”, *BCDR International Arbitration Review* 6, no. 1 (2019), pp. 67-92.
9. “ICC YAF: Administrative Secretaries: Role, duties, and challenges” – speaker in a webinar organized by ICC YAF and YCAP – Young Czech Arbitration Professionals, ICC Prague Arbitration Day (2021).
10. Lecturer at the *Curso de Formação Avançada em Arbitragem Internacional Lusófona*, organized by Almedina (2021).
11. “Surviving and succeeding as a junior arbitration lawyer: Tales from the frontline” – speaker in a webinar organized by ICC YAF and London VYAP (2020).
12. “Joint Treaty Interpretations by States before or during the Dispute” – speaker in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition of the *Encontro de Arbitralistas Lusófonos*, Paris Arbitration Week (2020).
13. Co-Author of “The Armesto Schedule: a Step Further to a More Efficient Document Production”, *Kluwer Arbitration Blog*, (April 4, 2020).
14. “*Arbitraje en Tiempos de Pandemia: Best Practices*” – speaker in a webinar organized by the Under 40 section of the *Club Español del Arbitraje* (CEA-40) (2020).
15. “Arbitral Awards: The Brazilian Tool Kit” – speaker at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brazilian Arbitration Forum (Paris, France) (2019).



16. “The French Supreme Court – the *Cour de cassation*” – guest teacher in the Litigation I class of the LLB of IE University (2019).
17. “Revisiting the Redfern Schedule” – workshop at the 7th ICC YAF Global Conference (Organized by ICC YAF) (London, United Kingdom) (2019).
18. “*Financiación de terceros y asignación de costas*” – speaker at an event organized by the Under 40 section of the *Club Español del Arbitraje* (CEA-40), (Spain) (2019).
19. “*Construir o futuro da Arbitragem Internacional: mais ou menos...*” – speaker at the Under 40 Meeting at the *VIII Encontro Internacional de Arbitragem de Coimbra* (Portugal) (2018).
20. “Overview of the tribunal secretary’s tasks and role in the organization of the proceedings” – speaker at the ICC Institute Training for Tribunal Secretaries (Organized by the ICC Institute of World Business Law) (Brazil) (2018).
21. “Hot topics” – speaker at the *II Encontro do CEA-40* in Portugal (Organized by the *Club Español de Arbitraje*, Under 40) (Portugal) (2018).
22. “Due Process Paranoia” – speaker in the panel “*O devido processo legal e o controle judicial das sentenças arbitrais (reconhecimento e anulação)*” at the *XVI Congresso Internacional de Arbitragem* (Organized by the Brazilian Arbitration Committee) (Brazil) (2017).