



## Elliott Geisinger

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Elliott Geisinger heads Schellenberg Wittmer's International Arbitration Group. Since 1994, his practice has focused on international arbitration. He has acted as counsel and arbitrator in complex commercial disputes involving international construction contracts, consortia and joint venture agreements, sponsorship contracts, sales and distribution contracts, and consultancy contracts.

In addition, Elliott Geisinger has regularly represented clients in arbitration-related court proceedings, and several of his cases have been reported on in the official collection of Swiss Supreme Court cases and in arbitration journals. Contract management in large-scale construction projects is a further specialization of his. He has also advised Swiss corporations in investment disputes.

Elliott is recognized as highly recommended practitioner in Arbitration by the leading legal directories. According to Chambers Global, Elliott is «*a high-calibre arbitration counsel who is described as a fantastic technician and construction specialist.*» According to clients, «*he's very careful with the details but never lets go of the big picture. He's reliable, responsive and quick.*» Legal 500 quotes that he is «*outstanding*». According to Who's Who Legal, Elliott «*garners praise for his "sharp" and "well-organized" practice.*» He is also «*appreciated for his "commercial insight" and "forensic approach."*» Winner of ILO's Client Choice Award, clients said «*as a lawyer, Elliott is flexible enough to think like an engineer or a project manager.*»

Elliott Geisinger has authored and co-authored several publications in the fields of international arbitration and private international law. He sat on the Arbitration Committee of the Geneva Chamber of Commerce and Industry from 1999 to 2003 and was elected to the executive board of the Swiss Arbitration Association in 2007, becoming Vice-President in 2010, and President since 2014. Elliott Geisinger is also a member of the Board of Trustees of FIAA (Foundation for International Arbitration Advocacy).

After graduating from the School of Law of the University of Geneva in 1986, where he also obtained a Master of Laws in 1990, Elliott Geisinger served as a teaching and research assistant in private international law from 1986 to 1992. He was a trainee and then an associate with another business law firm in Geneva before joining Schellenberg Wittmer in 1996 and becoming a partner in 2002.

### AREAS OF PRACTICE

International Arbitration; Construction Contract Management; Dispute Resolution

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Bar Admission: Switzerland 1994

Office: Geneva

Languages: French, English, German, Spanish (reading knowledge), Italian (reading knowledge)

### RECOGNITIONS

- > Chambers Global/Europe: International Arbitration Europe-wide; Arbitration Counsel; Arbitrator
- > Legal 500: Arbitration; Real Estate & Construction
- > Who's Who Legal: Commercial Arbitration; Construction & Real Estate
- > Expert Guides: Construction; Arbitration

### SELECTED DEALS AND CASES

- > Counsel, East European state v. Western European investor re: setting-aside of arbitral award in investor-state dispute before Swiss Supreme Court
- > Counsel, Dubai affiliate of Turkish corp. v. Dubai public entity re: construction contract for irrigation system, Dubai Municipality Rules of Arbitration

### SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- > Switzerland chapter in "The European, Middle Eastern and African Arbitration Review 2015"
- > International Arbitration in Switzerland: A Handbook for Practitioners, 2nd ed.