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Kate is a Partner in Allen & Overy's International Arbitration Group, and has extensive expertise in both international commercial and investment treaty arbitration.

In relation to her commercial arbitration expertise, Kate has experience of both institutional (e.g. LCIA, ICC, PCA, VIAC, SIAC, ICSID) and *ad hoc* arbitrations sited in common and civil law jurisdictions. She has expertise in commercial disputes across a range of different industries (including the energy, telecommunications, automotive, technology, construction and pharmaceutical sectors) and arising out of a number of bespoke and industry specific agreements, including joint venture, shareholder, licensing, distribution, technology transfer, patent and construction agreements.

In the investment treaty and public international law sphere, Kate's instructions include acting in the *Abyei* Arbitration (which lead to the independence of South Sudan) and representing the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in several investment treaty disputes.

Market recognition

Kate is described as "*phenomenally bright, extremely hard working, and thoroughly personable*" by Legal 500 (UK 2017, International Arbitration). Chambers & Partners recognised Kate as a "Star Associate" for two years running, before promoting her to its main rankings in 2015, where clients and peers have described her as is "*very helpful, very knowledgeable*", "*excellent*," "*truly brilliant*", "*very sensible and highly pragmatic*" and a "*really talented*" advocate". In Chambers UK 2016, she was "*tipped as a leader of the future*" by commentators, who praise her significant advocacy skills". Kate is ranked as a specialist in Who's Who Legal: Arbitration 2019. Who's Who Legal: Arbitration – Future Leaders 2017 reported that Kate is a "*very talented young lawyer*", "*one of the foremost experts in this field*" and "*extremely focused, driven and hardworking with enormous energy*".