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#### **Balz Gross**

Partner

Balz Gross is the Deputy Head of Homburger's Litigation | Arbitration and the Head of the Employment practice. He has extensive experience regarding all aspects of international arbitration (ICSID, ICC, LCIA, Swiss Rules, ad hoc, etc.) and complex litigation before Swiss state courts and authorities, including criminal proceedings and employment (compensation) related disputes.

Balz Gross' practice focuses on international arbitration proceedings (including ad hoc, ICSID, ICC, LCIA and Swiss Rules) and complex domestic and international litigation. He has acted as party counsel in close to one hundred international arbitrations, in particular in proceedings relating to mergers and acquisitions, long-term supply contracts, distribution contracts and joint ventures. Balz Gross has also acted as arbitrator in numerous international arbitrations.

Balz Gross acts as counsel in large, mostly international proceedings before the state courts in all Swiss cantons, in particular the Commercial Courts, and represents foreign and Swiss clients in proceedings involving criminal law issues. In addition, Balz Gross acts as counsel in employment litigation, with a particular focus on management compensation and incentive schemes.

"Leading litigator and arbitration counsel" (Chambers 2010), "quick witted and prudent" (Chambers 2011) Balz Gross is recommended in Chambers as "very efficient, convincing and powerful" (Chambers 2015) in Arbitration (International), Dispute Resolution (Arbitration Counsel, Litigation) and Employment.

#### Career

2016 Admission Singapore International Commercial Court

2002 Partner at Homburger

1996 University of Zurich (Dr. iur.)

1995 Associate at Homburger

1995 Harvard Law School (LL.M.)

1994 Bar admission

1989 University of Zurich (lic. iur.)

#### Languages

German, English

### Bar registration

At all Swiss courts; Singapore

#### Teams

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- Employee Share Plans: Switzerland in: Employee Share Plans: International Legal and Tax Issues, 2nd edition
- Employment & Labour Law 2011: Switzerland in: The International Comparative Legal Guide to: Employment & Labour Law 2011, pp. 201 - 206
- Obtaining documents and information in Switzerland: the use and abuse of data protection law in: PLC Cross-border Data Protection Handbook 2010|11
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