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Maria Athanasiou is a Counsel at the Arbitration Office of Prof. Pierre Tercier, where she acts as tribunal secretary and tribunal assistant in several high-profile investment and commercial arbitrations. Within this capacity, she works primarily on cases conducted under the ICSID, CRCICA and ICC Rules. Prior to her current position, Ms. Athanasiou has worked in two leading international arbitration groups in Brussels and London as an associate, where she also acted as tribunal secretary and assistant in several *ad hoc* and institutional arbitrations, and as a counsel, successfully representing clients in commercial arbitrations under the CEPANI and ICC Rules.

Ms. Athanasiou has obtained a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Warwick (Honours) in 2005, a Master of Laws in International Legal Studies from the University of Georgetown Law Centre in 2006 and a Master of Laws in International Dispute Settlement from the Graduate Institute for International and Development Studies / University of Geneva (fifth rank) in 2011. She became a member of the New York Bar in 2008 and has been registered with the Brussels Bar between 2012 and 2014 and with the Cyprus Bar since 2016. She also holds the title of Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) after having achieved one of the highest results in the Award Writing Examination of the Institute.

She is also a member of the BVI Panel of Arbitrators, the GIAC List of Arbitrators, the SIAC Reserve Panel of Arbitrators, the CRCICA Panel of Arbitrators and the Panel of Arbitrators at the Business Arbitration Scheme (BAS) of the CI Arb.

Ms. Athanasiou is an active member in the international arbitration community and currently is as a Co-Chair of Young ICCA. She has also served as a Co-Chair of Delos-Y, a Global Advisory Board Member of ICDR Young and International and a Coordinator of the Young ICCA Mentoring Programme.

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