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**Arnaud Nuyts** is Partner in the International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution Practice. An experienced advocate who has practiced in the United States, England and Belgium, he focuses on multi-jurisdictional litigation and arbitration.

He represents major corporations from civil law jurisdictions before US, English and Commonwealth courts, and US and English companies involved in litigation before the Belgian courts. He handles cross-border disputes and arbitration for the oil and gas, construction and food industries, as well as the film industry and media clients in various jurisdictions including Abu Dhabi, Qatar, Lebanon, Azerbaijan, New York, California, Nigeria, Switzerland, Greece, Jordan and Vietnam.

Arnaud has been instructed by English solicitors to appear and argue issues of international jurisdiction and human rights before the High Court and the Court of appeal in London. He also specialises in cross-border judicial assistance, including the taking of evidence in Belgium for use in US and English proceedings. He has been involved in major arbitration proceedings involving clients from civil law and common law jurisdictions.

He is Professor at the University of Brussels (ULB) where he lectures on private international law and international contracts and the international law of electronic commerce and intellectual property. He is the author of several publications and he has published around 50 articles in Belgian and international journals. He has been commissioned by the European Commission to coordinate a study on the domestic rules of international jurisdiction in the 27 Member States of the European Union. He has recently appeared as an expert before the European Parliament on the reform of the Judgment Regulation (Brussels I).

Arnaud holds a law degree and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Brussels (ULB) as well as a master of law (LL.M.) from the University of Cambridge. He has also studied at the Universities of Columbia, New York and at Harvard.

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## PRACTICE AREAS

- International Arbitration and Dispute Resolution

## LANGUAGES

- French
- English

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Bar Association, Section of International Law
- Member of the Brussels bar

## RECENT MATTERS

- Representing a major Middle-East contractor, in an ICC arbitration against an Australian sub-contractor in relation to a €1.6 billion infrastructure project in Qatar.
- Assisting and representing one of the main Benelux cinematographic distributors in arbitration proceedings in Los Angeles under the IFTA (Independent Film & television Alliance) Rules.
- Assisting and representing one of the Middle East's largest oil and construction companies in handling a high-profile oil dispute involving enforcement proceedings in more than 15 countries.
- Assisting US and Belgian clients in a series of proceedings involving the deposition of witnesses in Belgium under the US style discovery rules.

## KEY PUBLICATIONS

- International Litigation in Intellectual Property and Information Technology, Kluwer Law International, 2008.
- « The Enforcement of Jurisdiction Agreements Further to Gasser and the Community Principle of Abuse of Rights », in Forum Shopping in the European Judicial Area, Hart Pub., 2007.
- « Le règlement communautaire sur l'obtention des preuves : un instrument exclusif ? », Revue critique de droit international privé, 2007.
- Droit international des affaires, with V. Marquette and R. Larcier, Larcier, 4th édition, 2011.
- The Doctrine of Forum Non Conveniens (Bruylant-LGDJ, 2003, Foreword Arthur T. von Mehren, Professor at Harvard University.

## CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

- « Coordination of Legal Proceedings before Member States / Provisional and Protective Measures », main speaker at the international conference on The Lugano Convention and the Recast of the Brussels I Regulation – An International Perspective, Zurich, 4 May 2012.
  - « The Consolidation of Collective Claims under Brussels I », at the international conference on Cross-Border Class Actions – The European Way, Brussels, 27 April 2012.
  - « Third Party Funding - », Chairman of the international conference on Third Party Funding, Paris, 2 April 2012.
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## MARKET RECOGNITION

- Arnaud Nuyts is ranked as Leading Individual lawyer in the practice area of Dispute Resolution. *“Arnaud Nuyts is a formidable advocate and excellent strategist. He enjoys enormous respect from very senior judges and arbitrators and is trusted and listened to when he discusses difficult points of law”*. Legal 500, 2020
- Arnaud Nuyts is listed as a Band 2 lawyer for the Dispute Resolution practice area (Arbitration). A client adds: *“His legal reasoning was superb, the argument itself was superb”* and also highlights his diplomatic approach - Chambers Global, 2020
- Arnaud Nuyts is highly skilled in arbitration, with a *“compliant and constructive”* approach which leaves clients *“extraordinarily impressed.”* He frequently advises international clients on cross-border arbitration, as well as acting on enforcement proceedings for ICC arbitral awards. – Chambers Global, 2019 (Band 2)
- Arnaud Nuyts is Recommended and described as *“a powerful advocate”* – Legal 500, 2019
- Arnaud Nuyts is mentioned as Expert in the practice area of Dispute Resolution – Who’s Who Legal, 2019