

# Le Net

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### Education

- Ph.D. in Law (London School of Economics, U.K.)
- LL.M. (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium)
- LL.B. (Warsaw University, Poland)

### Membership

- Vietnam Bar Federation
- Ho Chi Minh City Bar Association
- Inter-Pacific Bar Association
- International Bar Association
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb)
- Vietnam International Arbitration Centre (VIAC)
- Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC)
- Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration (SCIA)

### Profile

Dr. Le Net is a Partner at LNT & Partners, where he leads the firm's Financial Services, Infrastructure, and Arbitration practice groups. He has over 25 years of legal practice experience and has been involved in numerous high-profile transactions and disputes, including: representing a national oil and gas group in negotiations with the Nghi Son Refinery and Petrochemical LLC; advising on metro projects in Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City; representing a leading multi-sector corporation in Vietnam in a major M&A deal; advising energy investors in wind and solar power projects; and notably securing a successful arbitral award for a state-owned expressway operator in an ICC arbitration.

He obtained his LL.B. from the University of Warsaw (1996), LL.M. from Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (1997), and Ph.D. in Law from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE, 2004). Prior to co-founding LNT & Partners in 2006, Dr. Net was a lecturer at Ho Chi Minh City University of Law and has published extensively on legal matters both in Vietnam and internationally.

He currently serves as an Arbitrator at the Vietnam International Arbitration Centre (VIAC), where he has presided over more than 100 cases, and is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb).



### Practice Areas & Industry Coverage

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| • Banking & Finance | • Banks                      |
| • Real Estate       | • Energy & Natural Resources |
| • Litigation & ADR  | • FMCG                       |
| • M&A               | • Pharmaceutical             |
| • Tax               | • Infrastructure             |

### Work Highlights

- Advised a state-owned electricity utility on the legal assessment of the mobilisation and payment for electricity in respect of power plants subject to administrative penalties for breaches of regulations on construction acceptance;
- Advised a state-owned electricity utility on the legal basis for the mobilisation and payment for electricity both prior to and following the effective date of Decree No. 17/2022/ND-CP, in relation to power plants that had not yet obtained written approval of acceptance inspection results from the competent state authority;
- Assessed the legal basis for the provisional and final settlement of electricity payments to power plants mobilised by a state-owned electricity utility to generate electricity to the national grid during the period prior to the issuance of their Electricity Operation Licences;

## Recognition

- **Vietnam Lawyer of the Year** – *Benchmark Litigation Asia-Pacific Awards* 2025
- **Leading Partner in Dispute Resolution: Arbitration** – *The Legal 500 (Asia-Pacific)* 2025
- **Vietnam's Top 100 Lawyers** – *Asia Business Law Journal* from 2021 – 2025
- **Recommended Lawyer** – *The Legal 500 (Asia-Pacific)* from 2011-2024
- **Highly Recommended Lawyer** – *Chambers & Partners* (Global & Asia-Pacific) from 2011-2024
- **Asia's super 50 disputes lawyers** – *Asian Legal Business (ALB)* – *Thomson Reuters* 2023
- Certificate of Merit from the Ministry of Justice – 2021
- **Elite Practitioner** – *Asialaw Leading Lawyers* from 2015-2024
- **Highly Regarded Lawyer** – *IFLR1000* from 2011-2023
- **Litigation Star** – *Benchmark Litigation* from 2020-2024

## Publication

- 2023, *Project Finance* 2023 – Vietnam Chapter, Chambers Global Practice Guides
- 2021, *International Arbitration* 2021 – Vietnam Chapter, Chambers Global Practice Guides
- 2021, *Project Finance* 2021 – Vietnam Chapter, Chambers Global Practice Guides
- 2020, *International Arbitration* 2020 – Vietnam Chapter, Chambers Global Practice Guides
- 2020, *Financing PPP projects in Vietnam*
- 2019, *Acquisition Finance*
- 2019, *Project Finance Contracts*, Labor Publishing House
- 2019, "New chapter for the development of Vietnam's pharmaceutical market" – Vietnam Investment Review
- 2017, "FIEs will have greater rights to import drugs into Vietnam" – IFLR1000
- 2017 (with Thu Nguyen và Cuong Le), "A bold move by the Vietnamese Government in the field of solar power projects" – Vietnam Law Insight (Law blog by LNT & Partners)
- 2011, *International Encyclopaedia of Laws*, Kluwer Law International, Boston

- Advised and represented a state-owned electricity utility (as Employer) in resolving a dispute with a consortium comprising a domestic industrial group, a logistics company, and an import-export company concerning the contract for the supply of imported coal for the commissioning and acceptance of a thermal power plant project, before the Vietnam International Arbitration Centre (VIAC);
- Advised and acted in the arbitration proceedings on behalf of a national oil and gas group in a dispute arising out of, and in connection with, a contract for the sale and purchase of induction bends signed between the client and a foreign contractor ("the Dispute"), administered by the Vietnam International Arbitration Centre (VIAC);
- Advised the resolution of a dispute concerning a share transfer agreement related to three wind power projects in Dak Nong Province, acting as legal counsel for the Respondent in proceedings before the Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC);
- Provided legal services involving analysis of the current legal framework, assessment of barriers to private sector participation, proposals for regulatory reform, and capacity-building support for relevant authorities to strengthen the role of the private sector in the provision of services and investment in solid waste infrastructure. The work formed part of a World Bank-funded project supporting the Ministry of Planning and Investment in developing standard PPP contract templates in solid waste management sector;
- Provided legal advice, policy research, stakeholder consultations (domestic and international), and regulatory proposals to ensure a legal framework aligned with international best practices while meeting Vietnam's sustainable development goals, within the framework of a World Bank-supported project to develop a national PPP roadmap;
- Conducted a comprehensive review of the PPP legal framework, gap analysis against international standards, consultations with state authorities, and provided key reform recommendations. Also participated in risk management strategy development and legal capacity-building activities for relevant stakeholders under a World Bank-funded project supporting the Ministry of Planning and Investment in formulating a national PPP development strategy and roadmap;
- Assessed legal risks associated with private sector participation in PPP contracts; drafted standard form contracts (BL, BTL, BOT, BTO, BOO, O&M); developed support mechanisms for enterprises; and participated in training sessions and workshops with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MoNRE) and relevant agencies under a project promoting PPP models in the solid waste sector (in co-consultancy with a Big Four accounting and advisory firm).