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**Dr. Nikolaus Pitkowitz** is founding partner and head of dispute resolution at Pitkowitz & Partners, and President of the Vienna International Arbitral Centre (VIAC).

Nikolaus Pitkowitz is considered one of the leading Austrian arbitration practitioners having acted as arbitrator and party counsel in over 130 international disputes, in a range from smaller to multibillion cases. He acted as counsel in many complex and high-profile litigations in front of Austrian Courts and the European Court of Justice. Most notable is his role as counsel in the largest ever pending arbitration in Austria, as well as in arbitrations seated across Europe, in the Americas and in Asia. Industries and matters covered include energy, automotive, telecommunications, arts, (post-)M&A, real estate and construction.

Nikolaus Pitkowitz holds law degrees from Universities of Vienna (JD and PhD) and Sankt Gallen, Switzerland (MBL) and is also qualified and certified as a mediator.

Nikolaus Pitkowitz is arbitrator and panel member of all leading arbitration institutions, and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb). He also acts as Vice-chair of the International Arbitration Committee of the Section of International Law of the American Bar Association (ABA). Furthermore, Nikolaus Pitkowitz is active as counsel in real estate projects and currently serves as chair of the Advisory Board of the IBA Real Estate Section, the world's largest association of real estate practitioners.

Nikolaus Pitkowitz frequently speaks, lectures and is author of over 50 publications, including a treatise on Setting Aside Arbitral Awards and the Handbook on Third Party Funding in International Arbitration. For the last decades he has continuously received highest rankings in his fields of expertise in reputable guides such as GAR 100 (ranked among the world's leading dispute practices), Chambers Global and Legal 500. He is also co-editor of the Austrian Yearbook on International Arbitration and co-organizer of the Vienna Arbitration Days.

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