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Antonio Gordillo is a partner at Armesto Dispute Resolution, an arbitration boutique that handles complex disputes in various sectors, jurisdictions and languages. Antonio is a Spanish national, and he is registered in Madrid and Paris.

Antonio has over 13 years of experience in international arbitration acting as counsel, arbitrator, and secretary to arbitral tribunals in over 30 arbitral proceedings, including both investment and commercial cases, before the main arbitral institutions (ICSID, PCA, ICC, CAM, CAIP, CIMA, VIAC). These cases involved several industries (*e.g.*, energy, construction, concession contracts, mining, corporate disputes, distribution agreements), laws and seats, and were conducted in English, Spanish or French. Antonio's clients include States and state entities, major players in the energy, construction and financial sectors, as well as SMEs. The list of arbitrations in which Antonio has participated can be found below.

Since 2018, he has been regularly recognized by Who's Who Legal, Best Lawyers, and Legal 500. He was also elected by his peers as co-chair of the Under 40 group of the Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje (a group of over 700 members) for 2023 and 2024.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Before joining Armesto Dispute Resolution, Antonio worked for 9 years at Dechert's international arbitration team, which was consistently recognised during those years as one of the leading arbitration teams by major international rankings. He previously served as Deputy Counsel at the ICC International Court of Arbitration and interned in leading firms in France and Spain.

Since 2013, Antonio is *Asistente honorario* of Universidad de Sevilla, where he teaches international arbitration classes annually. He has also been invited on several occasions to lecture at Brunel University London.

**EDUCATION**

Antonio holds a Law Degree from Universidad Pablo de Olavide in Seville, as well as an LL.M. in International Law from Université Catholique de Louvain, where he achieved the second-highest grade in his class.



### **LANGUAGES**

- Spanish
- English
- French

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Member of the Ilustre Colegio de Abogados de Madrid and the Barreau de Paris (as a European lawyer).
- Co-chair of the Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje -40 (2023-2024).
- Member of the Steering Committee of the French Chapter of the Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje (2018-2020; since 2024).

### **PUBLICATIONS**

- “El arbitraje como herramienta para luchar contra la corrupción – Retos y posibles soluciones”, in “Lucha Anticorrupción y Defensa Jurídica del Estado”, published by the Procuraduría General del Estado de la República del Perú (2024).
- “Dealing with Non-Existing Claimants: Challenges and Solutions”, in “40 Under 40 International Arbitration” (2018).
- “Comentario de la Sentencia de la Corte de Apelación de París de 15 de enero de 2013: Sibirskiy Cement c. Ciments Français”, in Spain Arbitration Review (2014).

### **SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- ICC YAAF: “The thin line between being an arbitral secretary and becoming the ‘fourth arbitrator’” (Miami, December 2024).
- ICDR Young and International and Cross Examination Moot: “The Art of Lawyering: Lessons from the Battlefield” (Paris, November 2024).
- Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje: “¿Cómo empezar una carrera independiente en arbitraje internacional?” (The Alps, September 2024).
- DIS, CIAM-CIAR and Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje: “Third-party participation in arbitration proceedings – Problems and future perspectives from Germany and Spain” (Berlin, September 2024).
- Academia Mexicana de Derecho Energético: “Desmontando mitos: por qué hay que perder el miedo al arbitraje en disputas de energía” (online, July 2024).
- IASC and MAD VYAP: “How to pilot a career in international arbitration” (Madrid, July 2024).
- Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú: “Aportes del arbitraje a la lucha contra la corrupción” (Lima, April 2024).



- Universidad del Pacífico, Garrigues and Cámara de Comercio de Lima: “*Investment Arbitration Showcase: Abogados -40 en la Arena*” (Lima, April 2024).
- Harvard International Arbitration Law Students Association and HLS Brazilian Studies Association: “*How to become an arbitrator*” (Cambridge (EE.UU.), April 2024).
- Universidad Pontificia Comillas and Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje -40: “*Espanoles por Europa: experiencias personales y profesionales*” (Madrid, February 2024).
- Club Español e Iberoamericano del Arbitraje and Club de Arbitraje de ESADE Alumni: “*El estándar de la obligación de revelación de conflictos: debate entre Alexis Mourre y José Manuel García-Represa sobre una posible reforma*” (moderator) (Paris, November 2023).
- ICC Young Arbitration & ADR Forum and Paris Very Young Arbitration Practitioners: “*From administrative secretary to arbitrator*” (Paris, June 2023).
- Association Suisse de l’Arbitrage below 40 *et al.*: Conference on investment arbitration and environmental law (Geneva, February 2018).
- Club Español del Arbitraje -40 and Association Suisse de l’Arbitrage below 40: “*The many faces of the parties in International Arbitration*” (The Alps, September 2016).
- Club Español del Arbitraje -40: “*The art of persuasion in International Arbitration*” (Madrid, July 2016).



## **LIST OF ARBITRATIONS**

### **AS COUNSEL**

Antonio has been part of the team representing:

1. **A South American State in an arbitration against a Chilean company**, ICC, agreements to develop a mining project, law of a South American State, Spanish language (2022).
2. Petroecuador EP in the arbitration ***Servicios Petroleros Igapó S.A. v. Petroecuador EP***, PCA, oil production contract, Ecuadorian law, Spanish language (2022).
3. Petroecuador EP in the arbitration ***Shaya Ecuador S.A. v. Petroecuador EP***, PCA, oil production contract, Ecuadorian law, Spanish language (2022).
4. The Republic of Ecuador in the arbitration ***Ecuador TLC S.A. v. Republic of Ecuador***, PCA, oil exploration and production contract, Ecuadorian law, Spanish language (2022).
5. A Colombian company and its Chilean subsidiaries in the arbitration ***Interconexión Eléctrica S.A. E.S.P. v. Republic of Chile***, ICSID, electricity transmission concession, investment arbitration, Spanish language (2021).
6. **An Ecuadorian state-owned company in an arbitration against a U.S. company**, *ad hoc*, oil production contract, Ecuadorian law, Spanish language (2020).
7. **The Spanish subsidiary of an American bank against a Spanish bank**, ICC, business transfer agreement, Spanish law, English language (2019).
8. A company owned by an Australian investment fund in the arbitration ***Autopista del Norte S.A.C. v. Republic of Peru***, ICSID, concession contract for the construction of a highway, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2018).
9. Colombian investors in the arbitration ***Carlos Mario Ríos Velilla & Francisco Javier Ríos Velilla v. Republic of Chile***, ICSID, operation of bus concessions in a public transportation system, investment arbitration, Spanish language (2017).
10. **A Spanish hydrocarbons company against an UAE company**, IACP, service contract, Spanish law, English language (2016).
11. The Plurinational State of Bolivia in the arbitration ***South American Silver Ltd. v. Plurinational State of Bolivia***, PCA, mining concession, investment arbitration, Spanish language (2016).
12. The Plurinational State of Bolivia in the arbitration ***Abertis Infraestructuras, S.A. v. Plurinational State of Bolivia***, PCA, concession of international airports, investment arbitration, Spanish language (2016).
13. **A group of cement-producing companies from various countries in a shareholder arbitration**, ICC, construction of a major cement producing facility, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2015).



14. A group of Costa Rican and Dutch investors in the arbitration ***Álvarez y Marín Corporación S.A. and others v. Republic of Panama***, ICSID, construction and development of an eco-tourist resort, investment arbitration, Spanish language (2015).
15. **Two Bulgarian companies in an arbitration against an Italian company**, ICC, construction of a highway, Bulgarian law, English language (2015).
16. **The port authority of a South American State against two Chinese companies and their Ecuadorian subsidiary**, concession contract for a maritime port, law of a South American State, Spanish language (2014).
17. The Republic of Ecuador in the arbitration ***Perenco Ecuador Limited v. Republic of Ecuador***, ICSID, termination of an exploration and production contract, investment arbitration, English language (2014).

#### **AS ARBITRATOR**

18. French-Italian **consortium v. African State and public entity**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, agreement for the construction of a dam, law of an African State, French language (2024).
19. **Two Asian public entities v. Ministry of Transport of a South American State**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, intra-state agreement for the assistance in the construction of an international airport, law of a South American State, Spanish language (2024).
20. **French company v. French company**, President of the tribunal, IACP, purchase agreement, French law, French language (2023).
21. **French company v. French company**, Sole Arbitrator, IACP, purchase agreement, French law, French language (2023).
22. **French company v. two Swiss companies**, Sole Arbitrator, ICC, distribution agreement, French law, English language (2020).

#### **AS SECRETARY OR ASSISTANT TO THE ARBITRAL TRIBUNAL**

23. **Spanish company v. Spanish company**, President: J. Fernández-Armesto, CIMA, LNG supply agreement, Spanish law, English language (2024).
24. **Honduras Próspera Inc. et al. v. Republic of Honduras**, President: J. Fernández-Armesto, ICSID, project concerning a Zone for Employment and Economic Development, investment arbitration, English language (2024).
25. **Two UAE companies v. nine Austrian parties**, President: J. Fernández-Armesto, ICC, facility agreement, Austrian law, English language (2024).
26. **Three UAE companies v. ten Austrian parties**, President: J. Fernández-Armesto, ICC, facility agreement, Austrian law, English language (2024).
27. **Austrian company v. Romanian company**, President: E. Silva Romero, VIAC, general contractor agreement, Romanian law, English language (2021).
28. **Spanish company and Mexican company v. two Mexican companies**, President: E. Silva Romero, ICC, shareholders' agreement, Mexican law, Spanish language (2019).



29. **US company v. Spanish individual and Spanish company**, President: E. Silva Romero, CIMA, franchise agreement, Spanish law, Spanish language (2017).
30. **Three Spanish companies v. US company, Luxembourgish company and Spanish company**, President: E. Silva Romero, CAM, shareholders' agreement, Spanish law, Spanish language (2017).
31. **Italian company v. Greek company**, President: E. Silva Romero, ICC, contract for the design, manufacture and installation of a distributed control system in a power plant, Greek law, English language (2016).
32. **Two Portuguese companies v. two Portuguese companies**, President: E. Silva Romero, ICC, EPC agreement, Portuguese law, English language (2015).
33. **Portuguese company v. Portuguese company**, President: E. Silva Romero, ICC, construction contract, Portuguese law, Spanish language (2014).

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