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Born 1978. Married. Two children. Spanish nationality.

Professional experience

Deva Villanúa has been involved in international arbitrations since 2002.

Deva has been designated co-arbitrator, sole Arbitrator, Emergency Arbitrator and President in more than 75 commercial cases and over 15 investment arbitrations (including annulment committees). She has also acted as Privilege Master in 3 cases. Deva has been Secretary to the Arbitral Tribunal in more than 30 commercial arbitrations and has had active involvement as assistant in more than 15 investment arbitrations.

Between July 2018 and June 2024 Deva was Vice-president of the ICC Court of Arbitration.

Additionally, Deva is listed on ICSID's Panel of Arbitrators and on the European Commission's List of Candidates Suitable for Appointment as Arbitrators and TSD Experts.

Other professional memberships

- Member of the Board of Directors of the Spanish Club of Arbitration;
- Equal Representation in Arbitration (Steering Committee);
- Chambers of Commerce: Lima, Lisbon, Quito and Uruguay;
- Am-Cham Peru;
- Member of the SHAC's and BAC/BIAC's Panel of Arbitrators;
- Madrid Bar Association;
- Madrid Economics Association.

Education

Deva Villanúa holds a double degree in Law and Business Administration (University Carlos III, Madrid). She obtained the *Abitur* at the German School in Madrid.

Public achievements

Deva is ranked by Chambers as a Band 1 Most in Demand Arbitrators in Spain; she is also ranked on Who's Who Legal and Leaders League and been recognised in InspiraLaw's Top 50 Women List.

Languages

Spanish (mother tongue), German (bilingual), English (bilingual), Portuguese (fluent) and French (intermediate).

LIST OF ARBITRATIONS

As an Arbitrator¹:

Commercial Arbitrations

1. **Portuguese purchaser vs. Luxembourgish seller**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Share Purchase and Loan Assignment Agreements, Portuguese law, English language (2025).
2. **Latin American seaport operator vs. Latin American, US and Singaporean commodities suppliers**, President, ICC, petroleum-derivatives handling and storage agreement, Colombian law, Spanish language (2025).
3. **Brazilian energy companies vs. Brazilian government agency**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, concession contract, Brazilian law, Portuguese language (2025).
4. **Spanish energy company vs. Spanish energy company**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, EPC contract, Spanish law, Spanish language (2024).
5. **Salvadoran construction company vs. South Korean construction company**, President, ICC, cooperation agreement, Salvadoran law, English language (2024).
6. **Mexican energy company vs. Italian and Mexican contractors**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, EPC contract and financing agreements, Mexican law, English language (2024).
7. **Mexican contractors vs. Mexican energy companies**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, EPC contract and financing agreements, Mexican law, English language (2024).
8. **Mexican construction company vs. Mexican energy company and Mexican investment company**, Chairwoman, ICC, EPC Contract, Mexican law, Spanish language (2024).
9. **Latin American transport infrastructure company vs. Latin American government agency**, Chairwoman, ICDR, concession contract, Colombian Law, Spanish language (2024).
10. **Spanish digital services company vs. Mexican information technology services company**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, termination agreement, Mexican law, Spanish language (2024).
11. **Mexican energy company vs. Mexican oil and gas company**, Chairwoman, ICC, energy supply agreement, Mexican law, Spanish language (2023).
12. **Spanish company vs. Spanish nationals and a Spanish company**, Chairwoman, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish language (2023).
13. **Dutch, Japanese and Singaporean oil & gas companies vs. Brazilian energy company**, Chairwoman, ICC, floating, production, storage and off-loading unit charter agreement, Brazilian law, Portuguese language (2023).
14. **Swiss company vs. Spanish company**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, supply contract, Spanish law, Spanish language (2023).
15. **Brazilian supplier vs. Swedish purchaser**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, supply contract, Spanish law, Spanish language (2023).
16. **Brazilian producer vs. Brazilian purchaser**, Chairwoman, CAM-CCBC, offshore modules purchase agreement, Brazilian law, English language (2023).
17. **Luxembourgish company vs. British and Hong Kong companies**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, quota sale and purchase agreement, Portuguese law, English language (2022).

¹ Or similar roles.

18. **Spanish company vs. Spanish and French companies**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, share sale and purchase agreement, Spanish law, English language (2022).
19. **Colombian chemical company vs. Swiss, US and Colombian consumer goods companies**, Chairwoman, ICC, Colombian law, Spanish language (2022).
20. **Brazilian energy company vs. Brazilian energy company**, Chairwoman, ICC, energy supply agreement, Brazilian law, Portuguese language (2022).
21. **Spanish energy company vs. German energy company**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Spanish law, English language (2022).
22. **Spanish engineering and construction company vs. Portuguese biomass plant operators**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Portuguese law, English language (2022).
23. **Mexican logistics company vs. Mexican distributor of hydrocarbons, petroleum and petrochemical products**, Chairwoman, ICC, Mexican law, Spanish language (2022).
24. **Spanish insurance companies vs. Spanish banks**, Co-arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish language (2021).
25. **Canadian and Barbadian investment funds vs. Peruvian real estate company**, Co-arbitrator, AmCham Peru, framework investment agreement, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2021).
26. **Peruvian gas distributor vs. Peruvian electricity utility**, Co-arbitrator, CCL, Distribution Agreement, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2021).
27. **Peruvian oil and gas company vs. Peruvian, Korean and Uruguayan oil and gas companies**, Chairwoman, ICC, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2021).
28. **Ecuadorian telecommunications consortium vs. Ecuadorian regulatory agency**, Co-arbitrator, CIAM (Quito), concession agreement, Equatorian law, Spanish language (2021).
29. **Portuguese bridge engineering company vs. Mexican construction company**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, UNIDROIT Principles, Spanish language (2021).
30. **Spanish energy company vs. Spanish energy company**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, share purchase agreement, Spanish law, Spanish language (2020).
31. **International consortium in the petroleum sector vs. Caspian Sea Republic**, Chairwoman, *ad-hoc*, English language (2020).
32. **Brazilian engineering company vs. Dutch holding company**, Privilege Master, ICC, English language (2020).
33. **Peruvian company vs. Peruvian company** (corporate dispute), Chairwoman, AmCham Peru, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2019).
34. **Chilean construction company vs. Peruvian state entity**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2019).
35. **Supplier vs. solar powerplant constructor and owner**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Brazilian law, English language (2019).
36. **Fast food chain vs. group of investors**, Co-arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law, Spanish language (2019).
37. **Danish company vs. Spanish company** (corporate dispute), Co-arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law, English language (2019).
38. **Spanish wholesale club company vs. Spanish food and beverages retail company**, Chairwoman, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law, English language (2019).
39. **Argentinian oil and gas company vs. Venezuelan oil company and US and Dutch affiliates**, Chairwoman, ICC, Dutch law, English language (2019).
40. **US construction company vs. Central American office of an international organisation**, Chairwoman, UNCITRAL, *lex mercatoria*, Spanish language (2019).

41. **Mexican solar system company vs. Mexican electricity utility**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Mexican law, Spanish language (2019).
42. **Latin American electricity company vs. state-owned electricity utility**, Chairwoman, ICC, Mexican law, Spanish language (2018).
43. **Brazilian subsidiary of energy company vs. Spanish engineering and construction company**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Brazilian law, Portuguese language (2018).
44. **Mexican construction company vs. Mexican petrochemical company**, Chairwoman, ICC, Mexican law, Spanish language (2018).
45. **Peruvian farming community vs. Peruvian mining company**, Co-arbitrator, Centro de Arbitraje de la Cámara de Comercio de Lima, Framework Agreement, Peruvian law, Spanish language (2018).
46. **Spanish purchaser vs. Swiss seller**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law, English language (2017).
47. **Independent review panel expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Co-arbitrator, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2017).
48. **Independent review panel expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Co-arbitrator, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2017).
49. **Independent review panel expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Co-arbitrator, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2017).
50. **Virgin Islands company vs. Colombian company**, Chairwoman, ICC, shareholders' agreement, Colombian law, Spanish language (2017).
51. **French distillery vs. Spanish distillery**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, *es aequo et bono*, Spanish language (2016).
52. **Spanish Fund manager vs. Spanish Venture Capital Fund**, Chairwoman, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law and language (2016).
53. **Spanish beverage producer vs. beverage distributor**, Chairwoman, Spanish Court of Arbitration, distribution agreement, Spanish law and language (2016).
54. **Spanish construction company vs. Spanish construction company**, Emergency Arbitrator, Spanish Court of Arbitration, consortium agreement, Spanish law and language (2016).
55. **Spanish and Chilean train construction companies vs. Canadian and Chilean train construction companies**, Sole Arbitrator, ICC, consortium agreement, Spanish law, English language (2016).
56. **Spanish company vs. Spanish bank**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language (2016).
57. **Polish supplier vs. Turkish purchaser**, Chairwoman, ICC, Swiss law, English language (2016).
58. **Start-up company (Spain) vs. investor (Spain)**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, shareholders' agreement, Spanish law and language (2016).
59. **Emirati commodity importer vs. Colombian steel company**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law and language (2015).
60. **Spanish construction company vs. Spanish state entity**, Co-arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, administrative concession contract, Spanish law and language (2015).

61. **Mexican construction company vs. Bolivian state entity**, Emergency Arbitrator, ICC, Bolivian law, Spanish language (2015).
62. **German consulting firm vs. Peruvian state entity**, Chairwoman, ICC, German law, Spanish language (2015).
63. **Spanish company vs. Spanish company in IT sector**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, service agreement, Spanish law and language (2014).
64. **International equipment procurement intermediary vs. Swiss manufacturer**, Sole Arbitrator, ICC, Swiss law, English language (2014).
65. **Spanish subsidiary of US manufacturers vs. Spanish distributor**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, Spanish law and language (2013).
66. **Spanish company vs. Spanish bank**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language (2012).
67. **German subcontractor vs. Dutch contractor**, Chairwoman, ICC, construction agreement, Spanish law and Spanish and English language (2012).
68. **Spanish franchisor vs. Spanish franchisee**, Co-arbitrator, *ad hoc*, franchise agreement, Spanish law and language (2012).
69. **Spanish bank vs. Spanish company**, Co-arbitrator, Spanish Court of Arbitration, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language (2011).
70. **Spanish construction company vs. Spanish bank**, Co-arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language (2011).
71. **Spanish shareholder vs. Dutch and Spanish pharmaceutical companies**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, shareholders' agreement, Spanish law, English language (2010).
72. **Spanish timber company vs. Spanish insurance company**, Sole arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, insurance policy, Spanish law and language (2010).
73. **Spanish franchisor vs. Spanish franchisee**, Co-arbitrator, *ad hoc*, franchise agreement, Spanish law and language (2010).
74. **Spanish bank vs. Spanish company**, Co-arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language (2009).
75. **Spanish subsidiary of German bank vs. British insurance company**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, breach of insurance policy, Spanish law and language (2009).
76. **Spanish subsidiary of US insurance company vs. Spanish maritime transportation company**, Sole Arbitrator, ICC, claim for damages, Spanish law and language (2009).
77. **Spanish company vs. Spanish company**, Sole Arbitrator, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, breach of service contract, Spanish law and language (2009).

ISDS

1. **Petaquilla Minerals, Ltd. v. Republic of Panama**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Oscar Garibaldi and Carlos Paitán), ICSID Case No. ARB/24/12, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish language (2024).
2. **Cypriot investor v. Eastern European state**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: J. Christopher Thomas and Kaj Hobér), SCC, investment arbitration under ECT, English language (2024).
3. **BA Desarrollos LLC vs. Argentine Republic**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Stephen L. Drymer and Luis González García), ICSID Case No. ARB/23/32, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish and English language (2023).
4. **Abertis Infraestructuras, S.A. vs. Argentine Republic**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Elisabeth Eljuri and Loretta Malintoppi), ICSID Case No. ARB/23/39, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish language (2023).
5. **Palmerola International Airport, S.A. de C.V. v. Republic of Honduras**, Co-arbitrator (other arbitrators: Dário Moura Vicente (president of the tribunal) and Eduardo Silva Romero (co-arbitrator)), ICSID Case No. ARB/23/42, Spanish Language (2023).
6. **SGO Corporation Limited vs. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: John Rooney and Raúl Vinuesa), ICSID Case No. ARB(AF)22/2 (2023).
7. **Blue Sea Holdings LLC and Oceans Group International S.A. v. Republic of Panama**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Albert Jan Van den Berg and Gonzalo Stampa), PCA Case No. 2022-50, investment arbitration under BIT, English language (2023).
8. **Singaporean and Dutch investors vs. Western Asian state**, Privilege Master, ICSID, English language (2022).
9. **Luxembourgish investor vs. Latin American state**, Privilege Master, ICSID, English language (2022).
10. **Infinito Gold Ltd. vs. Republic of Costa Rica**, Member of the Annulment Committee (other committee members: D. Brian King (Chairman) and José Antonio Moreno Rodríguez), ICSID Case No. ARB/14/5, annulment proceedings (2022).
11. **Société Générale S.A. vs. Republic of Croatia**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: George Bermann and Vanessa Mak), ICSID Case No. ARB/19/33, investment arbitration under BIT, English language (2021).
12. **Latin American petrochemical company vs. Latin American state**, Co-arbitrator, UNCITRAL, Investment Treaty-based arbitration, Spanish language (2021).
13. **TECO Guatemala Holdings, LLC vs. Republic of Guatemala**, Chairwoman (other committee members: Doug Jones and Lawrence Boo), ICSID Case No. ARB/10/23, annulment proceedings (2021).
14. **IBT Group, LLC and IBT, LLC vs. Republic of Panama**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Guido Tawil and Mónica Pinto), ICSID Case No. Arb/20/31, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish language (2020).
15. **South32 SA Investments Limited vs. Republic of Colombia**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Guido Tawil and Andrés Jana), (Assistant to the Tribunal: Francisca S. Cardoso), ICSID Case No. ARB/20/9, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish and English languages (2020).
16. **Leopoldo Castillo Bozo vs. Republic of Panama**, Chairwoman (co-arbitrators: Rodrigo Barahona Israel and Gabriel Bottini), PCA Case No. 2019-40, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish language (2020).
17. **Italian construction companies vs. South American state railways institution and South American state**, Co-arbitrator, ICC, Spanish language (2019).

18. **Air Canada vs. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela**, Co-arbitrator (other arbitrators: Pierre Tercier (president of the tribunal) and Charles Poncet (co-arbitrator)), (ICSID Case No. ARB(AF)/17/1), English language (2017).

As Secretary to the Tribunal:

1. **Latin American oil refinery vs. construction companies**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, construction agreement, English and Spanish language (2016).
2. **Belgian auditor vs. Italian individuals**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, Belgian law, English language (2016).
3. **Gaming sector companies vs. East European state**, Administrative Secretary, UNCITRAL, investment arbitration under BIT, English language (2016).
4. **Expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Assistant to the Expert, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2013).
5. **Expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Assistant to the Expert, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2013).
6. **Expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Assistant to the Expert, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2013).
7. **Expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Assistant to the Expert, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2013).
8. **Expert determination on objections to the application of new generic top-level domain**, Assistant to the Expert, International Centre for Expertise, ICC, English language (2013).
9. **Spanish bottled water company vs. Spanish bank**, Administrative Secretary, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language, (2013).
10. **Ecuadorian company vs. Ecuadorian state company**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, public service concession agreement, Ecuadorian law, Spanish language (2012).
11. **Middle Eastern pipeline operator vs. Middle Eastern gas producer and Middle Eastern gas purchaser**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, gas supply and purchase agreement, English law and language (2012).
12. **Spanish company vs. Spanish bank**, Administrative Secretary, Court of Arbitration of Madrid, financial derivatives contract, Spanish law and language (2012).
13. **Austrian joint venture vs. US shareholder**, Administrative Secretary, VIAC, termination of shareholders' agreement, Austrian law, English language (2011).
14. **State-owned enterprise vs. European state**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, purchase agreement in the defence sector, English language (2010).
15. **Nova Scotia Power Incorporated vs. Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela**, Assistant to the Chairman, PCA, investment arbitration under BIT, English language (2009).
16. **Spanish subsidiary of private equity fund vs. sister company of the same private equity fund**, Administrative Secretary to the Adjudicator, *ad hoc*, termination of joint venture, Spanish law, English language (2009).
17. **Spanish seller vs. Spanish purchaser**, Administrative Secretary, Spanish Court of Arbitration, share purchase agreement, Spanish law and language (2008).
18. **Uruguayan association vs. financial company**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, sale of investment funds, Uruguayan law, Spanish language (2008).

19. **Mr. Vito G. Gallo vs. Government of Canada**, Assistant to the Chairman, UNCITRAL, PCA, investment arbitration under NAFTA, English language (2007).
20. **City Oriente Limited vs. Republic of Ecuador and Empresa Estatal Petróleos del Ecuador (Petroecuador)**, Assistant to the Chairman, ICSID Case No. ARB/06/21, under investment contract, Spanish language (2007).
21. **Mr. Joseph Charles Lemire vs. Ukraine**, Assistant to the Chairman, ICSID Case No. ARB/06/18, investment arbitration under BIT, English language (2007).
22. **Argentinian company vs. German company and Argentinian subsidiary of German company**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, joint venture agreement, extraordinary legislation, Argentinian law, Spanish language (2007).
23. **British company vs. state-owned enterprise**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, construction agreement, expropriation, Iranian law / Sharia law, English language (2006).
24. **Spanish company vs. Spanish gas supplier**, Administrative Secretary, *ad hoc*, gas distribution agreement, determination of gas price, Spanish law and language (2005).
25. **German airplane leasing company vs. Mexican lessor**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, aircraft lease agreements, German law, English language (2005).
26. **Argentinian company vs. international supplier**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, construction agreement, English language (2005).
27. **Mexican subsidiary of US company vs. Mexican state-owned enterprise**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, construction agreement, Mexican law Spanish language, (2005).
28. **International construction consortium vs. Colombian state-owned enterprise**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, construction agreement, Colombian law, Spanish language (2005).
29. **Spanish sellers vs. Spanish subsidiary of Italian purchaser**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, share purchase agreement, Spanish law and language (2005).
30. **Spanish seller vs. British purchaser**, Administrative Secretary, CIMA, share purchase agreement, Spanish law and language (2004).
31. **Luxembourgish bank holding vs. Central European republic**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, dispute arising from privatization of a bank, Austrian law, English language (2004).
32. **Brazilian energy company vs. Brazilian energy company**, Administrative Secretary, ICC, shareholders' agreement, Brazilian law, English language (2004).
33. **Banco Central do Brasil vs. Banco Central del Uruguay**, Assistant to the Chairman, arbitration between central banks under ALADI Rules, Spanish language, (2006).
34. **SAUR International vs. Argentine Republic**, Assistant to the Chairman, ICSID Case No. ARB/04/4, investment arbitration under BIT, Spanish and French languages (2004).
35. **Unisys Corporation vs. Argentine Republic**, Assistant to the Chairman, ICSID Case No. ARB/03/27, investment arbitration under BIT, English language (2004).
36. **Canadian Company vs. Bolivian state agency**, Administrative Secretary, UNCITRAL, construction agreement, Bolivian law, Spanish and English languages (2003).