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Lourdes has several years of hands-on experience in construction, commercial business, and managing disputes. Previously, she has provided legal advice on both public and private projects as well as international and national projects. As part of her role, she has successfully advised construction companies involved in various sectors, including roads, airports, energy, health infrastructure, and education facilities. Her experience has been diverse as she has advised several construction enterprises in many types of contracts (EPC Contract, Time & Materials, Only Construction, among others) and different matters (variations, defects, extensions of time, among others).

Furthermore, she has represented private companies and governmental organizations across multiple dispute mechanisms, such as judicial procedures, arbitration, mediation, and expert determination procedures.

Besides her local experience, Lourdes has participated in international projects. After her master's in construction law by the University of Melbourne, she worked as part of the construction team of the Baker & McKenzie - Melbourne Office and she consult on construction contracts for an Australian construction company.

Lourdes complements her practice with a strong presence in academia. She was part of the Monash University Research Team and as part of that, she worked on a Cybersecurity Road Map for the Federated States of Micronesia to guide that country in the development of its cybersecurity policy. Furthermore, she is a lecturer in Procedural Law in a prestigious Peruvian University (*Universidad Científica del Sur*); and she is the mentor of the arbitration team of the *Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos* that participates in the Moot Court – Madrid. Lourdes is also a lecturer of postgraduate subjects specialized in Construction Law. Among others, she is in charge of one of the subjects ('Construction Public Procurement) of the Construction Diploma by the *Universidad Peruana de Ciencias Aplicadas* and she was also a lecturer of the subject 'Claims Management within Collaborative procurement

Education

- **University of Melbourne | 2019 - 2021**
Construction Law Master. July 2019 – January 2021
- **Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú | 2009 – 2015**
Bachelor in law. Lima, 2015.
Lawyer. Lima, 2017. Licensed with the "Outstanding" (*Summa cum laude*) honor.

Practice areas

- Administrative Law
- Construction Law
- Infrastructure Projects
- Public procurement
- National and International Arbitration
- Procedural Law
- Civil Law

Work experience

- **Ventia**
Consultant - July 2021 – March 2022
- **Monash university**
Research Officer– July 2021 – February 2022
- **Baker & McKenzie International (Melbourne Office)**
Paralegal (Construction Team) – March 2021.
- **Baker & McKenzie International (Peru) – Ehecopar Law Firm**
Associate (Dispute Resolution Group) – July 2015 to July 2015
Legal Trainee (Dispute Resolution Group) – December 2011 to June 2015.

Work experience

- Representing construction companies in arbitrations in which the discussion was related to payment methodologies.
- Representing a mining company in an arbitration related to a Time & Materials contract, conducted in English and Spanish.
- Contractual advice to construction companies in the performance of its EPC Contracts.
- Representing construction companies in an arbitration in which the discusión was related to extensions of time, variations, defects, and modification of the rates established within the contract,
- Legal advice to a Spanish company in an expert determination procedure regarding an EPC Contract.
- Representing an energy public company in its various disputes procedures and providing legal advice in its contractual matters.
- Representing several companies in various judicial procedures to enforce and void awards.
- Representing a Peruvian and Chilean company regarding a supply contract.
- Representing a company dedicated to agribusiness in several contractual matters related to ownership and possession of the land.

Teaching experience

- Aug.21 – Dec.21: Procedural Civil Law Lecturer in *Universidad Científica del Sur*, Perú.
- Jan.21 to date: Coach of the Arbitration Team of the *Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos* – Peru. Obtained second place in the "XIII Edition of the International Arbitration and Commercial Law Competition – Madrid".
- 2012-2019: The course's teaching assistant, 'Civil Procedural Law" at the Law School of Peruvian University of Applied Sciences.

Languages

- Spanish, English
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