

Mariella Orelli

Partner

Mariella Orelli is a partner in Homburger's Litigation / Arbitration practice team. Her practice focuses on international commercial arbitration. She regularly acts as party counsel and arbitrator in institutional and ad-hoc proceedings relating to disputes governed by a variety of substantive laws. In addition, she has extensive experience in large international proceedings before state courts, in particular in the Commercial Courts.



Mariella Orelli has acted as counsel in more than 50 international commercial arbitration cases, including as lead counsel in a billion-dollar investment dispute in the Middle East and in a billion-dollar post-M&A dispute in the financial industry. She also regularly represents clients in court litigation, including in asset-tracing and enforcement proceedings. She has been involved in various landmark cases, such as the first ever successful application for the revision of an arbitral award. While her focus is on energy matters, she is familiar with a number of industries, including banking & insurance, construction, pharmaceuticals, agency and distributions and has worked on a wide range of M&A disputes.

"She is wonderful: highly responsive, goes into detail and gets to the point – a real pleasure to work with." (Chambers Global 2016), "... incredibly quick and responsive" (Legal500 2016), "... thoughtful in addressing the delicate issues of the case...", "particularly brilliant during hearings" (Chambers 2018); "goes deep into the details of the matter" (Chambers Energy); "impressively bright and impressively tenacious" (Chambers Global 2019).

Career

- 2007 Partner at Homburger
- 2000 Foreign Associate at Herbert Smith, London
- 1999 Associate at Homburger
- 1999 College of Europe, Bruges (LL.M.)
- 1997 Law clerk at the High Court for the Canton of Zurich (Commercial Division)
- 1996 Bar admission
- 1994 Law clerk at the District Court of Zurich
- 1993 University of Zurich (lic. iur.)

Languages

English, French, German, Italian

Bar Registration

Admitted to the Swiss bar

Teams

Insurance
Litigation
Arbitration
Regulatory