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Catarina Pinto Correia joined VdA in 1996. Co-head of Environment practice partner.

She advises on diverse matters relating to Administrative Law (both general and specific), including public procurement, administrative concessions, public-private partnerships and public regulation.

She has worked on numerous transactions, with a focus on the energy, postal, transportation, infrastructure, telecoms and healthcare sectors, and assists clients in EU funded projects.

She also leads VdA's agribusiness team.



Awards & Recognitions

In 2011, Catarina won the Iberian Lawyer award "40 Under Forty", which distinguished the top young lawyers in the Iberian Peninsula.

Academic background

Law Degree, Catholic University of Lisbon, Faculty of Law.

Master in European Community Law, College of Europe, Bruges.

Post-graduate in EC Competition Law, Kings College, London.

Post-graduate in Public Procurement and Concessions, University of Lisbon, Faculty of Law.

Compact MBA for Law Firm Leaders - Porto Business School.

Published works

Author of various books and articles, notably:



- "Women, Business and the Law report", S. Tomé e Principe and Timor-Leste, World Bank, 2020
- Government Procurement Review, The Law Reviews, Portugal chapter, 2019 to 2021 editions (co-authored)
- "Law & Practice Portugal", Public Procurement & Government Contracts, Global Practice Guide, Chambers, 2019 and 2020 editions (co-authored)
- "As ofertas no Código dos Contratos Públicos", Estudos em Homenagem a Mário Esteves de Oliveira, Almedina, 2017, pp. 321-342
- "Secteur agroalimentaire africain", Tribune du Salon de l'Agriculture, Paris, 2017
- "Código da Contratação Pública de Cabo Verde", Almedina, 2016
- The International Comparative Legal Guide to: Public Procurement 2016, 8th edition, Cape Verde chapter (coauthored)
- "Cloud: A Lei e a Prática / Guia e perguntas frequentes", in partnership with Microsoft Portugal, Almedina, 2016 (co-authored)
- "O novo PDR 2020 simplificação vs. elevado grau de exigência", Agrotec, June 2015
- "O Horizonte 2020 no sector da Energia", CEO Lusófono, special edition for the 1st Energy for Development Conference of the CPLP, July 2015
- "As entidades adjudicantes dos sectores especiais no Direito da Contratação Pública da União Europeia e no Código dos Contratos Públicos português", Revista de Contratos Públicos, Editora Fórum, Belo Horizonte, Brazil, year 3, no. 4, September/February 2014
- "Insight to the Key Issues in Government Procurement Across Portugal", The Government Procurement Review, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 (co-authored)
- "Código dos Contratos Públicos e Legislação Complementar Guias de Leitura e Aplicação", Almedina, 2008 (co-authored)
- "Important changes in Public Procurement", Iberian Lawyer, Public Procurement Update, 2006 (co-authored)
- "Legal Aspects of EU Energy Regulation, Implementing the New Directives on Electricity and Gas Across Europe", Edited by Professor Peter Cameron, Oxford University Press, 2005 (co-authored)

Conferences & Events

Regularly participates as a lecturer in congresses, conferences, workshops and courses, mainly devoted to public procurement and public contracts, public-private partnerships, concessions, European funds and agribusiness.

Trainer at the National Institute of Administration (Instituto Nacional de Administração – INE).

Member of

Admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association.

Admitted to the Timor-Leste Law Society (Conselho de Gestão e Disciplina da Advocacia de Timor-Leste).



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