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Languages

German
English

Nationality

German

Hanefeld
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Experience

As counsel in arbitral proceedings

Representation of domestic and foreign companies in domestic and international arbitration proceedings

As secretary to the arbitral tribunal

Secretary to the arbitral tribunal in domestic and international arbitration proceedings

As counsel in state court proceedings

Representation of domestic and foreign companies before German courts

Instruments

- Arbitration
- Litigation

Areas of practice

- Investment Protection
- International Private & Civil Procedure Law
- Post-M&A & Corporate Law
- Commercial & Trade Law
- Construction & Engineering

Curriculum vitae

- **Since 2024**
  Attorney with HANEFELD, Hamburg
- **2024**
  The Hague Academy of International Law (Certificate in Public International Law)
- **2022-2024**
  Legal traineeship at the Hanseatic Higher Regional Court of Hamburg with stations at HANEFELD, the Permanent Court of Arbitration in Vienna and the Hamburg Chamber of Commerce, among others.
- **2018-2023**
  Doctor of Laws (Dr. iur.) at the University of Muenster
- **2012-2018**
  Law studies at the University of Muenster

Academic appointments

- Lecturer at the University of Muenster for International Contract Law
  2025
- Lecturer at the University of Muenster for Legal Writing and Oral Advocacy in International Law School Competitions
  2025
- Lecturer at the University of Muenster for International Dispute Resolution
  2025

Speeches

2025

- From Finality to Fragility – The Setting Aside of Arbitral

Awards
ICC YAAF event
Budapest, Hungary

- Arbitration in Times of Crises: War, Force Majeure and Commercial Balancing
  Event hosted by Lewiatan Court of Arbitration and SWPS University
  Warsaw, Poland

2024

- CISG & Digitalization: Harmonizing International Sales in the Technological Era
  XXI. Generations in Arbitration Conference & XV. Peter Schlechtriem CISG Conference (Moderation)
  Vienna, Austria

2021

- Prospects and Pitfalls of Protecting Intellectual Property via Investor-State Dispute Settlement
  Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro / Instituto Nacional da Propriedade Industrial
  Webinar, Brasil

2020

- Mostly sunny – or rather cloudy? Some Thoughts on the Relation between Investor-State Dispute Settlement and the Environment
  Universidade Federal do Estado do Rio de Janeiro
  Webinar, Virtual event
- Der international Warenkauf in Zeiten der Pandemie
  Fachhochschule Westküste
  Webinar, Virtual event

Publications

2025

- The Arbitral Tribunal's Investigative Powers: Proactive Fact-Finding in International Arbitration
  Stockholm Arbitration Yearbook (co-author with H. Nedden und Dr. N. Gielen)

- Transatlantic Perspectives on Institutional Neutrality in Arbitration Proceedings
  Transatlantic Law Journal 2025, 172–179

- Erfolglose Verfassungsbeschwerden gegen die Aufhebung eines Schiedsspruches in Umsetzung des „Achmea"-Urteils des EuGH sowie gegen das Zustimmungsgesetz zum Übereinkommen zur Beendigung bilateraler Investitionsschutzverträge zwischen EU-Mitgliedstaaten
  Anmerkung zu BVerfG, Beschl. v. 23.07.2024 - 2 BvR 141/22 und 2 BvR 557/19 SchiedsVZ 2025, 33 (co-author with Dr. E. Rensmann)

2023

- Das Rechtsverhältnis zwischen Schiedsorganisation und Schiedspartei. Rechtsgrundlagen, Verfahrensgarantien und Konfliktfälle
  Dissertation

2022

- EuGH: Ad hoc-Schiedsvereinbarung zwischen Mitgliedstaat und Investor eines anderen Mitgliedstaates unionsrechtswidrig
  IWRZ 2022, 38-39 (Entscheidungsanmerkung)

- Lights Out for the Energy Charter Treaty? The ECJ's Next Blow to Intra-EU Treaty Arbitration
  American Review of International Arbitration Blog (co-author with Dr. E. Rensmann)

2021

- Von Impfstoffen und Einheitsrecht: Zur verkannten Rolle des UN-Kaufrechts im Rechtsstreit der Europäischen Union mit AstraZeneca

EuZW 2021, 877-883 (co-author with Prof. Dr. A. Janssen)

- De impact van de COVID 19-pandemie op internationale koopovereenkomsten
  Weekblad voor Privaatrecht, Notariaat en Registratie 2021, 100-107 (co-author with Prof. Dr. A. Janssen)

2020

- COVID-19 and international sales contracts: unprecedent grounds for exemeption or business as usual?
  Uniform Law Review 2020, 466-495 (co-author with Prof. Dr. A. Janssen)
- The Impact of COVID-19 in German Contract Law
  Opinio Juris in Comparatione, Special Issue 2020, 113-122
- Die virtuelle Verhandlung im Schiedsverfahren
  SchiedsVZ 2020, 257-265 (co-author with Dr. N. Gielen)
- Der internationale Warenkauf in Zeiten der Pandemie
  EuZW 2020, 410-416 (co-author with Prof. Dr. A. Janssen)
- For Whom the Bell Tolls. Any Hope Left for Investment Arbitration After Achmea?
  Lei Chen/André Janssen (eds.), Dispute Resolution in China, Europe and World, 263-292 (co-author with Prof. Dr. A. Janssen)

2019

- Year One After Achmea: A Review of the State of Play in Investment Arbitration in 2019
  International Arbitration Law Review 2019, 117-143 (co-author with Prof. Dr. A. Janssen)

Memberships

- DIS40
- ICC YAF
- Moot Alumni Association (Vice President of the Executive Board)
- Young ICCA

- Young ITA
- Alumni of The Hague Academy of International Law
- Young ICSID