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J. Félix de Luis is an experienced Lawyer, that has worked as a **Central Government Attorney (Abogado del Estado)** for over 30 years -at present on a leave of absence-. As such, he has acted in more than 2.000 judicial processes on behalf of the Spanish Central Government. He is also an expert in the field of financial-economics and, as a Central Government Attorney has occupied relevant positions within the Ministry of Economy and Finance: **i.-** Secretary of the *“Special Commission to identify, to analyze and to propose solutions in the application of the economical laws”*, 1995-1996. The main goal was to make proposals, from a legal perspective, to encourage the economic activity in Spain. As Secretary of the Commission, he was the drafter of the final report, later submitted and approved, by the Spanish Central Government; **ii.-** Central Government Attorney, Chief at the Juridical Service, 1996-1998, at the Ministry of Economy. In charge of the draft of the annual Budget Law, and later on, the follow up of the parliamentary procedure at the Congress of Deputies and Senate.

With a clear international orientation and experience, he has worked in NY (US), Europe, Ibero-America and at present, in Asia, with a focus on international arbitration and business. He is the Managing Director at LEGAL 21 ABOGADOS, Madrid, SPAIN.

He has also a proven ability **in the field of Corporate Governance**: **i.-**Member of the Board of Directors at *“Comisión Nacional del Mercado de Valores”*, C.N.M.V. -Securities Exchange Commission-, Madrid, SPAIN; **ii.-**Member of the Board of Directors of different companies, public and private; **iii.-**Chief Compliance Officer, with a global responsibility, at BANCO SANTANDER CENTRAL HISPANO, later BANCO SANTANDER, Madrid, SPAIN; **iv.-***“Corporate Director Certificate”*, CDC; at HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL, Boston, US; **v.-***“International accreditation program in Boards of Directors and Corporate Governance”*, at IGE, Instituto de Gobernanza Empresarial, Madrid-SPAIN.

**In the field of management** he has graduated **i.-** At HARVARD BUSINESS SCHOOL, Boston-US: *“Advanced Management Program”*, A.M.P. where he was elected Class Secretary; **ii.-** At IESE-UNIVERSIDAD DE NAVARRA, Madrid-SPAIN: *“Programa Alta Dirección de Empresas”*, PADE.

**In the field of Law**, J. Félix de Luis is *Master in Law, LL.M.*, at COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL, New York-US, where he was Fulbright Scholarship recipient. He worked as an Associate Lawyer at DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL, New York, US.

**In the field of Sports Law**, J. Félix de Luis is: **i.-**former Sole Judge of the Appeals Commission of the Federation Española de Baloncesto, FEB; **ii.-**former Member of the Social Resources Committee of the Liga Nacional de Fútbol Profesional, LNFP; **iii.-**former Member of the Appeal Committee of the UEFA Club Licensing of the Real Federación Española de Fútbol, RFEF.

He focuses great part of his activity in Asia, where he seats as **International Arbitrator** in the main Arbitration Institutions in that part of the world: *China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC)*, *Beijing International Arbitration Commission (BAC/BIAC)*, *Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC)*, *Shanghai International Arbitration Centre (SHIAC)*, *Weihai Arbitration Commission (SHANDONG)*, *China Maritime Arbitration Commission (CMAC)*, in CHINA. *Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRC)*, now *Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC)*, in MALAYSIA. *Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC)*, in SINGAPORE. *Korean Commercial Arbitration Board (KCAB)*, in SOUTH KOREA. *Chinese Arbitration Association (CAA)*, in TAIWAN. *Philippines Dispute Resolution Center, Inc. (PDRCI)*, in THE PHILIPPINES.

In SPAIN, he is part of the list of Arbitrators of the most important Arbitration Courts, such as *Corte Civil y Mercantil de Arbitraje (CIMA)*; *Corte de Arbitraje de Madrid (CAM)*; *Corte Española de Arbitraje (CEA)* and *Tribunal Arbitral de Fútbol, Liga de Fútbol Profesional (TAF)*.

He seats also, as Arbitrator in SWITZERLAND at *Tribunal Arbitral du Sport/Court of Arbitration for Sport (TAS-CAS)*. In UK, *London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA)*. In PORTUGAL *Centro de Arbitragem Comercial, (CAC)*. In THE NETHERLANDS, *Court of Arbitration for Art, (CAFA)* and at *Comisión Interamericana de Arbitraje Comercial (CIAC)*.

J. Félix de Luis is interested in everything related with Arbitration and Asia. He has attended: **i.**-“*Master Class for Arbitrators*” in **2013**, ICC INSTITUTE, in Hong-Kong, CHINA; **ii.**-Program “*Singapore International Arbitration Academy (SIAA)*” in **2012**, organized by Centre for International Law (CIL)-National University of Singapore (NUS) in SINGAPORE; **iii.**-“*Program for foreign Arbitrators*” in **2010**, hosted by China Academy of Arbitration Law (CAAL) and CIETAC, organized by East China University of Political Science and Law (ECUPL), in Shanghai, CHINA.

**Other activities of J. Félix de Luis in the field of International Arbitration:**

**1.**-Founder and Promoter, of the China Chapter, Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club, CEIA. April 2011, Hong-Kong, CHINA.

**2.**-ICC Spanish Committee: Member-SPAIN.

**3.**-ICC Institute of World Business Law: Member-FRANCE.

**4.**-Permanent Committee at Spanish Arbitration Court; Spanish Chamber of Commerce (CCE)-Madrid, SPAIN.

**5.**-Former *Vice-Chair* at “*Dispute Resolution and Arbitration Committee*”, Inter-Pacific Bar Association, IPBA.

**6.**-**Chairman** at Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club, CEIA, of the “*Commission to promote Spain as a seat of International Arbitration*”, Madrid, SPAIN. **Drafter** of the report of the Commission, published in 2019.

Different proposals were formulated in this Report in accordance with the International Arbitration practice, such as that contained in Section 6.3.3, **for the ICCA Conference to be held in Madrid**, that happened on April 2026.

**7.**- Promoter and organizer of the “*Seminar Investment in Spain and China-Global Dispute Resolution*”, on occasion of the CIETAC’s Delegation visiting Madrid, chaired by its General Secretary. May 2019, Madrid, SPAIN.

**8.-** Promoter and organizer of the Seminar *“Latino-American Arbitration Day with IPBA”*, June 2019, Madrid, SPAIN, in collaboration with Spanish Arbitration Court, CCE; Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club, CEIA, and Inter-Pacific Bar Association, IPBA. The main objective of the Seminar was to link those parts of the world, under the perspective of International Arbitration, in order to sustain the idea of SPAIN as a neutral and independent seat, especially for those disputes between Asia and Ibero-America.

**9.- 2015:** Promoter and organizer in Hong-Kong, of the Seminar named *“Spanish Arbitration Day”*, on occasion of the *“Hong-Kong Arbitration Week”*.

**2016:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar named *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing”*, on occasion of the 60th anniversary of CIETAC foundation.

**2017:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar named *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing with LATAM: Brazil, Chile y Mexico”* on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*. Later on, this Seminar was replicated in Hong-Kong.

**2018:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing with LATAM: Latest Developments”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**2019:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing”* that presented the report of the *“Commission to Promote Spain as a Seat for International Arbitration”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*. Later on, this Seminar was replicated in Hong-Kong and Shenzhen, China; and in Seoul, South Korea.

**2020:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing: East and West”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**2021:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing: ESG and Arbitration. A Global Perspective”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**2022:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing: ESG and Arbitration. Investor’s Perspective”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**2023:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing: New Developments in International Arbitration”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**2024:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing: New Developments in International Arbitration, II”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**2025:** Promoter and organizer in Beijing, of the Seminar *“Spanish Arbitration Day in Beijing: 10<sup>th</sup> Edition: What’s next?”*, on occasion of CIETAC *“Arbitration Summit”*.

**10.-**Promoter and Organizer in Madrid, of the Seminar as Mid-Year Conference, *“IPBA meets in Madrid four Regions: Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin-America”*, September 29-30, 2025, with Inter-Pacific Bar Association. At the Panel of *“Future Vision: New Trends in International Arbitration”* 9 leading Arbitration Institutions from around the world attended. At the Panel of *“Future Vision: New Trends in International Sports Arbitration”*, a Special Dialogue was held with TAS-CAS Director General, through an interview.

**11.-**Promoter and Organizer in Madrid, with CIETAC as a Co-Host, on occasion of the ICCA 2026, as a Side Event, of the Seminar *“East Meets West: An Encounter in Madrid among Arbitration Institutions”*. 15 leading Arbitration Institutions from around the world attended the Seminar.

On a regular basis, J. Félix de Luis acts as speaker in diverse events world-wide, mainly in the field of International Arbitration.

He is also an Accredited Mediator for commercial disputes by ISDE-CIMA, Madrid, SPAIN.

### Languages

-Spanish Native  
-English Excellent  
-French Fluent  
-Italian Fluent

### Membership

- HONORABLE BAR ASSOCIATION of MADRID-ICAM		SPAIN
- IESE-BUSINESS SCHOOL	Alumni Association	SPAIN
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