

Curriculum Vitae

Personal Data

Name: Omar Ongaro
Nationality: Italian
Age: 54
Profession: Legal Counsel

Professional Experience

2024 – now Member Supervisory Board FIFA Clearing House
2022 – now CAS arbitrator
2020 – now Expert technical advisor Football Regulatory
2023 – 2025 Of Counsel at Morgan Sports Law
2019 – 2023 Deputy Chairperson of the Dispute Resolution Chamber (DRC) of FIFA's Football Tribunal
2000 – 2019 Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) in Zurich
 2016 – 2019 Football Regulatory Director
 2009 – 2016 Head of Players' Status and Governance
 2005 – 2009 Head of Players' Status
 2002 – 2005 Senior Legal Counsel at Players' Status
 2000 – 2002 Legal Counsel at Players' Status
1999 – 2000 Junior Legal Counsel at Wiederkehr Forster Rechtsanwälte in Zurich
1998 – 1999 Internship Bezirksgericht (District Court) of Zurich
1991 – 1992 Internship for grammar school graduates at the former Schweizerische Kreditanstalt (currently, Credit Suisse) in several banking areas

Education

1978 – 1986 Mandatory school in Zurich, Switzerland
1986 – 1990 Grammar school in Zurich, Switzerland
1992 – 1997 Studies at the Law Faculty of the University of Zurich: lic. iur. in December 1997

Languages

Italian	mother tongue
German	nearly native
English	business fluent in spoken and written
French	fluent in spoken and written
Spanish	high level in spoken and good knowledge in written

Publications

'I soggetti della controversia sportiva', together with Paolo Lombardi – in *Lo Sport e il Diritto, Profili istituzionali e regolamentazione giuridica*, a cura di Michele Colucci (Jovene editore 2004), p. 223 et seqq.

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'The system of training compensation according to the FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players' – in *European Sports Law and Policy Bulletin*, Issue I-2010, 'The Bernard Case – Sports and Training Compensation', p. 69 et seqq.

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'Maintenance of contractual stability between professional football players and clubs – The FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players and the relevant case law of the Dispute Resolution Chamber' – in *European Sports Law and Policy Bulletin*, Issue I-2011, 'Contractual Stability in Football', p. 27 et seqq.

'Commission du Statut du Joueur et Chambre de Résolution des Litiges de la FIFA' – in *Droit et Économie du Sport*, 'Règlement des Litiges au sein du Mouvement Sportif', 2012, p. 33 et seqq.

'Dispute Resolution at the Fédération Internationale de Football Association and its Judicial Bodies', together with Marc Cavaliero – in *European Sports Law and Policy Bulletin*, Issue I-2013, 'International and Comparative Sports Justice', p. 77 et seqq.

'FIFA's Provisions on the Protection of Minors – Background and their Application', together with Gaudenz Koprio and Kimberly Morris – in *Football Legal*, The international journal dedicated to football law, #7 – June 2017, 'Special report: Minors in Football', p. 49 et seqq.

'FIFA's Provisions on the Unilateral Termination of Contracts – Background and their Application', together with Mario Flores Chemor and Maja Kuster Hoffmann – in *Football Legal*, The international journal dedicated to football law, #9 – June 2018, 'Special report: Termination of Players'/Coaches' Contracts', p. 46 et seqq.

'FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players – The latest developments' – in M. Bernasconi/A. Rigozzi (eds.), *International Sports Arbitration*, 7th CAS & SAV/FSA Lausanne Conference 2018 (publ. by Weblaw, Berne 2019)

'FIFA Regulations on the Status and Transfer of Players – The latest developments' – in Michele Colucci and Ornella Desirée Bellia (eds.), Sports Law and Policy Centre, Issue I-2020, 'Transfers of football players, A practical approach to implementing FIFA rules', p. 17 et seqq.

'COVID-19 – Contractual Disputes Originating from the Pandemic: First findings from the jurisprudence of the Dispute Resolution Chamber' – in The European Club Association (ECA) Legal Journal, Issue 01 – November 2021, p. 16 et seqq.

'The FIFA Football Tribunal – What did actually change?' - in Football Legal, The international journal dedicated to football law, #16 – December 2021, p. 161 et seqq.

'CAS 2023/O/9370 PROFAA v. FIFA – The CAS Challenge to FIFA's Football Agent Regulations', together with William Sternheimer, Ben Cisneros, Sam Kasoulis and Marko Lavs – in Football Legal, The international journal dedicated to football law, #19 – November 2023, p. 119 et seqq.

'Dispute Resolution at the Fédération Internationale de Football Association and its Judicial Bodies', together with Marc Cavaliero – in Massimo Coccia and Michele Colucci (eds.), European Sports Law and Policy Bulletin, Issue I-2024, 'International Sports Justice', p. 499 et seqq.