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Lawyer, international arbitrator and professor of Civil Law and Arbitration. He holds an LL.M. in Civil Law from the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú and a Master's Degree in Commercial and Investment Arbitration from the Universidad de Alcalá (Spain). Member of the International Academy of Comparative Law. Founding partner of the professional arbitration firm Carlos Soto & Asociados, with offices in Lima and Madrid. He has taught at the Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Universidad de Lima, Universidad San Ignacio de Loyola, Universidad Femenina del Sagrado Corazón, and Universidad de Piura, as well as at the Judicial Academy of Peru (Academia de la Magistratura), among other institutions. He is also a postgraduate visiting professor in Colombia, Argentina, and Bolivia. Honorary Academic Member of the Bolivian Academy of Legal Sciences and Foreign Corresponding Member of the Venezuelan Academy of Political and Social Sciences. He has served and continues to serve as Presiding Arbitrator, Sole Arbitrator, Co-arbitrator, and counsel in more than 800 arbitration proceedings.

He is a member of the most renowned arbitrator rosters, including the Civil and Commercial Court of Arbitration – CIMA (Spain), the Dispute Resolution Commission of the Guatemalan Chamber of Industry – CRECIG (Guatemala), the Arbitration and Mediation Center (CAM) of the Costa Rican Bar Association, the Conciliation, Arbitration, and Friendly Composition Center of the Medellín Chamber of Commerce (Colombia), the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the Quito Chamber of Commerce (Ecuador), the Arbitration and Mediation Center of the Cochabamba Chamber of Commerce (Bolivia), the Commercial Mediation and Arbitration Center of the Argentine Chamber of Commerce, the Arbitration Center of the Lima Chamber of Commerce, the Arbitration Center of the Arequipa Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Arbitration Center of AmCham Peru, the Arbitration Center of the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, and the Arbitration Center of the Peruvian College of Engineers, as well as the arbitration centers of the most important chambers of commerce in Peru. He has been recognized by Chambers and Partners, Who's Who Legal, and Leaders League as one of the most prominent and highly recommended arbitrators in Peru. Furthermore, he is a member of the General Council of the CAM - Arbitration Center of Mexico, a member of the Commission for the Scrutiny of Awards of the Madrid International Arbitration Center (CIAM-CIAR), Vice President of the Board of Directors of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (CEIA), and Honorary President of the Peruvian Chapter of the CEIA. He is the founder and former President of the Peruvian Institute of Arbitration (IPA) and of Latin American International Arbitration (LIA), as well as Director of the Latin American Yearbook of Arbitration. He has also served as Advisor to the Code Reform Commission of the Congress of the Republic of Peru, Advisor and Secretary to the Official Commission for the Reform of the Peruvian Civil Code, and Secretary to the Official Commission for the Reform of the Peruvian Code of Commerce.

He has published as director, coordinator, and/or co-author numerous works, including: The Interpretation of Contracts and Juridical Acts in Peruvian Law; Mergers & Acquisitions 2; Breach of Contract: Remedies of the Creditor Against the Debtor; International Arbitration: Past, Present, and Future (Tribute to Bernardo Cremades and Yves Derains); Treatise on Contractual and Extra-contractual Liability; Mergers & Acquisitions 1; Tribute to Manuel de la Puente y Lavalle; General Theory of Contracts: Tribute to Professor Doctor Ricardo Luis Lorenzetti; Latin American Yearbook of Arbitration; Commentaries on the Peruvian Arbitration Act; Treatise on Arbitration Law (The Arbitration Agreement); International Commercial Arbitration in Ibero-America; The 1958 New York Convention: Recognition and Enforcement of Arbitral Awards; Arbitration in Peru and the World; Breach of Contract; Latin American Journal of Civil Liability; Contractual and Extra-contractual Civil Liability; Freedom to Contract and Contractual Freedom; The Contract in a Market Economy; Treatise on the Interpretation of Contracts in Latin America; The Transformation of Contract Law; Private Contracting; Civil Liability and Tort Law; E-Commerce; Contemporary Contracting: Modern Contracts and Consumer Law; Contemporary Contracting: General Theory and Principles; and The Civil Code of the 21st Century (Peru and Argentina).

ARBITRATOR'S PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

HIGHER EDUCATION:

- Law Degree, Universidad Nacional de San Agustín de Arequipa. Arequipa, 1990–1994.
- Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Civil Law, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú. Lima, 1997–1998.
- Master's Degree in Commercial and Investment Arbitration, Universidad de Alcalá, 2020–2021.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- Recognized by Chambers and Partners (Band 1) as one of the leading arbitrators in Peru. (2026)
- Recognized by Chambers and Partners (Band 1) as one of the leading arbitrators in Peru. (2025)
- Recognized by Chambers and Partners (Band 1) as one of the leading arbitrators in Peru. (2024)
- Recognized by Chambers and Partners (Band 1) as one of the leading arbitrators in Peru. (2023)
- Recognized by Chambers and Partners (Band 1) as one of the leading arbitrators in Peru. (2022)
- Recognized by Chambers and Partners (Band 1) as one of the leading arbitrators in Peru. (2021)
- Recognized by Chambers and Partners as one of the most outstanding arbitrators in Peru (2019-2020).
- Recognized by Lexology Index (Who's Who Legal) as one of the leading arbitrators worldwide (2026).
- Recognized by Lexology Index (Who's Who Legal) as one of the leading arbitrators worldwide (2025).
- Recognized by Who's Who Legal as a Global Leader in International Arbitration (2023).
- Recognized by Who's Who Legal as a Global Leader in International Arbitration (2022).
- Recognized by Leaders League as "Highly Recommended" in Arbitration (2024).
- Member of the General Council of the Mexican Arbitration Center – CAM (January 2023–Present).
- Member of the Commission for the Scrutiny of Awards of the Madrid International Arbitration Center (CIAM-CIAR).
- Registered with the National Registry of Arbitrators – RNA / OSCE (March 2015–Present).
- Partner at the firm Carlos Soto & Asociados / Peru – Spain (August 2018–Present).
- Partner at the firm Flores Nano & Soto (December 2015–February 2019).
- Partner at the firm Carlos Soto & Abogados (June 2014–Present).
- Lawyer, Senior Associate, Counsel, Head of the Research Department, and/or Head of the International Arbitration Practice Group at Estudio Muñiz, Ramírez, Pérez-Taiman & Olaya Abogados (June 1998–May 2014).
- Presiding arbitrator, sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator, and counsel in domestic and international arbitration proceedings.
- Arbitrator at the Dispute Resolution Commission of the Guatemalan Chamber of Industry – CRECIG.
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Lima Chamber of Commerce.
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the American Chamber of Commerce of Peru (AmCham Peru).

- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Peruvian College of Engineers (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Arequipa Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the “Arbitra Perú” Arbitration Center of the Ministry of Justice (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Chamber of Commerce, Industry, and Tourism of Ayacucho (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Cusco Chamber of Commerce (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration and Conciliation Center of the Ica Chamber of Commerce (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the La Libertad Chamber of Commerce and Production (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Lambayeque Chamber of Commerce and Production (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Tacna Chamber of Commerce, Industry, and Production (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Puno Chamber of Commerce and Production (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Pasco Chamber of Commerce (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Ancash Chamber of Commerce (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Ucayali Chamber of Commerce, Industry, and Tourism (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Cajamarca Chamber of Commerce and Production (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the San Martín Chamber of Commerce, Industry, and Production (Peru).
- Arbitrator at the Arbitration Center of the Loreto Chamber of Commerce, Industry, and Tourism (Peru).
- Secretary to the Official Commission for the Reform of the Peruvian Civil Code (Law No. 26394 - Ministerial Resolution 260-2003-JUS).
- Advisor to the Official Commission for the Reform of the Peruvian Civil Code (Law No. 26394).
- Secretary to the Official Commission for the Reform of the Peruvian Code of Commerce (Law No. 26595).
- Consultant to the National Youth Commission – CONAJU (2004–2005).
- Advisor to the Code Reform Commission of the Congress of the Republic of Peru (January to July 2000).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- Member of the International Academy of Comparative Law.
- Member of the International Bar Association (IBA).
- Member of the Inter-American Bar Association (IABA / FIA).
- Member of the European Arbitration Association (AEADE).
- Member of the Latin American Group of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC).
- Foreign Corresponding Member of the Venezuelan Academy of Political and Social Sciences.
- Honorary Academic Member of the Bolivian Academy of Legal Sciences.
- Vice President of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (CEIA) (2026–Present).
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (CEIA) (Madrid)

Headquarters).

- Board Member of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (CEIA) (2023–2026).
- Honorary President of the Peruvian Chapter of the Spanish and Ibero-American Arbitration Club (CEIA).
- Honorary Member of the Institute of Legislative Studies of the Argentine Federation of Bar Associations.
- Member of the General Council of the CAM - Arbitration Center of Mexico (2023–Present).
- Founder of Latin American International Arbitration (LIA) (2020).
- Founder of the Peruvian Institute of Arbitration (IPA) (2004).
- Executive President of the Peruvian Institute of Arbitration (IPA) (2004–2017).
- Director of the Revista Peruana de Arbitraje (Peruvian Journal of Arbitration).
- Director of the Anuario Latinoamericano de Arbitraje (Latin American Yearbook of Arbitration).
- Member of the "Group of 100 Jurists" of the Legal Development and Research Innovation Center for Latin America – Tecnológico de Monterrey and Garrigues. Monterrey, October 2008.
- Member of the Committee for the Study of Investment, Negotiations, and International Trade (FTA) of the Lima Bar Association. Lima, April 2008.
- Member of the American Association of Private International Law (ASADIP). Lima, October 2007.
- Member of the International Scientific Council of the Venezuelan Arbitration Committee. Caracas, April 2007.
- Member of the Editorial Board of Principia – Project of the Center for Research and Studies in Dispute Resolution (CIERC) at Universidad Monteávila. Caracas, Venezuela, 2020.
- Member of the Board of the Center for Procedural Law Studies (CEDEP). Colombia, 2020.
- Member of the Lima Bar Association, CAL Registration No. 31558. Lima, October 2000.
- Member of the Arequipa Bar Association, CAA Registration No. 3290. Arequipa, August 2000.
- Member of the Peruvian Chapter of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC Peru).

PUBLICATIONS

- The Interpretation of Contracts and Juridical Acts in Peruvian Law. Instituto Pacífico, Lima, 2020, 718 pp.
- Mergers and Acquisitions: 2. Instituto Pacífico, Lima, 2018, 397 pp.
- Breach of Contract: Remedies of the Creditor Against the Debtor. Editorial Jurivec, Lima, 2016.
- Mergers and Acquisitions: 1. Instituto Pacífico, Lima, 2015, 415 pp.
- Treatise on Contractual and Extra-contractual Civil Liability: Commentaries on the Provisions of the Civil Code, Volume I. Instituto Pacífico, Lima, 2015, 665 pp.
- Treatise on Contractual and Extra-contractual Civil Liability: Commentaries on the Provisions of the Civil Code, Volume II. Instituto Pacífico, Lima, 2015, 362 pp.
- General Theory of Contracts: Tribute to Professor Doctor Ricardo Luis Lorenzetti (3 volumes). Editorial La Ley, Buenos Aires, 2012, 2362 pp.
- Treatise on the Interpretation of Contracts in Latin America (3 volumes). Editorial Grijley, Lima, 2007, 2500 pp.
- Tribute to Manuel de la Puente y Lavalle (2 volumes). Instituto Peruano de Arbitraje and Estudio Echeopar, Lima, 2013, 1537 pp.
- Tribute to Fernando de Trazegnies (3 volumes). Fondo Editorial de la Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, Lima, 2009, 1236 pp.
- Tribute to Jorge Avendaño (2 volumes). Fondo Editorial de la Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, Lima, 2004, 1226 pp.
- Freedom to Contract and Contractual Freedom: Studies on the European Code of Contracts. Grupo Editorial Ibáñez, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, 2011, 390 pp.

- Breach of Contract: Remedies of the Creditor Against the Debtor. Editorial La Ley, Buenos Aires, 2010, 470 pp.
- The Contract in a Market Economy. Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, 2008, 480 pp.
- Non-Pecuniary Damages, Moral Damages, and Injury to the Person. Number 2 of the Revista Latinoamericana de Responsabilidad Civil (Latin American Journal of Civil Liability), Grupo Editorial Ibáñez, Instituto de Derecho Privado Latinoamericano, Bogotá, 2013, 382 pp.
- Contractual and Extra-contractual Civil Liability: Is it Possible and Desirable to Unify Both Regimes?. Number 1 of the Revista Latinoamericana de Responsabilidad Civil (Latin American Journal of Civil Liability), Grupo Editorial Ibáñez, Instituto de Derecho Privado Latinoamericano, Bogotá, 2011, 242 pp.
- Civil Liability and Tort Law: Professional Liability, State Liability, and Liability of Legal Entities. Volume 5 of the Instituciones de Derecho Privado (Institutions of Private Law) Collection. Directed by José Luis de los Mozos and Carlos Soto Coaguila, Editora Jurídica Grijley, Lima, 2006, 816 pp.
- Civil Liability and Tort Law: General Theory of Civil Liability. Volume 4 of the Instituciones de Derecho Privado (Institutions of Private Law) Collection. Directed by José Luis de los Mozos and Carlos Soto Coaguila, Editora Jurídica Grijley, Lima, 2006, 582 pp.
- E-Commerce. Volume 3 of the Instituciones de Derecho Privado (Institutions of Private Law) Collection. Directed by Ricardo Luis Lorenzetti and Carlos Soto Coaguila, Editorial Temis S.A. and ARA Editores, Lima, 2003, 920 pp.
- Contemporary Contracting: Modern Contracts and Consumer Law. Volume 2 of the Instituciones de Derecho Privado (Institutions of Private Law) Collection. Directed by Atilio Aníbal Alterini, José Luis de los Mozos, and Carlos Soto Coaguila, Editorial Temis S.A. (Bogotá) and Palestra Editores (Lima), 2001, 648 pp.
- Contemporary Contracting: General Theory and Principles. Volume 1 of the Instituciones de Derecho Privado (Institutions of Private Law) Collection. Directed by Atilio Aníbal Alterini, José de los Mozos, and Carlos Soto Coaguila, Editorial Temis S.A. (Bogotá) and Palestra Editores (Lima), 2000, 574 pp.
- Patrimonial Law Collection, Volume 1. Editora Jurídica Grijley, Lima, 2007, 350 pp.
- The Transformation of Contracts. Editora Jurídica Grijley, Lima, 2005, 215 pp.
- The Contract in a Market Economy. Co-authored with Argentine jurist Jorge Mosset Iturraspe, Editorial Normas Legales, Lima, 2004, 416 pp.
- Private Contracting. Jurista Editores, Lima, 2002, 422 pp.
- "Party Autonomy and Good Faith: The Foundation of the Binding Force of Contracts," in Cuadernos de Doctrina del Colegio Público de Abogados de Buenos Aires, 2000, 28 pp.
- The Civil Code of the 20th Century (Peru and Argentina) (2 volumes). Coordinated by Jorge Muñoz Ziches, Atilio Aníbal Alterini, and Carlos Soto Coaguila, Ediciones Jurídicas, Lima, 2000, 1549 pp.
- Foreword, "The Peruvian Civil Code of 1984: A Well-Deserved Tribute on its 25th Anniversary. The Need for its Revision and Update for the 21st Century," for the Second Official Edition of the Civil Code, published by the Ministry of Justice and Editora Perú, Lima, 2010.