

Maria Araújo

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Maria Araújo joined VdA in 2015 and is currently Head of Value Client. Between 2015 and January 2022, she was Managing Associate at the Oil & Gas area of practice, with strong ties to the M&A team, with which she often collaborated.

Amid her many capabilities and experience - including a background in litigation -, Maria's more than 12-year experience dealing with Equatorial Guinea-related matters and OHADA, CEMAC and UEMOA jurisdictions stands out. Maria has been advising clients on various projects and transactions throughout the oil & gas value chain, including inter alia drafting and negotiating contracts requiring a wide-ranging multidisciplinary experience.

Maria has likewise been involved in several cross-border operations, mainly relating to Portugal and Africa (and particularly to Equatorial Guinea, Angola and Guinea-Bissau), involving clients carrying out activities in such diverse sectors as the oil & gas, energy, telecommunication, insurance, agriculture, construction, maritime and tourism sectors, among others.



Awards & Recognitions

Mentioned in Chambers & Partners as Associate to Watch in her area of practice.

Academic background

Law degree University of Lisbon Faculty of Law.

Other professional background

Before joining the firm she worked as an Associate at Miranda Correia Amendoeira & Associados, Sérvulo & Associados and Ferreira Pinto & Associados.

Published works

Maria is a frequent contributor of the World Bank country guides and has also been collaborating with the *Getting the Deal Through* and other similar publications.

Member of

Admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association.

Languages

English, Spanish, French.