Inês Antas de Barros

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Inês Antas de Barros joined VdA in 2007. Partner of the Information, Communication & Technology practice area.

She focuses her practice on privacy and data protection, having been invloved on: compliance audits of the databases of companies from a wide range of sectors (pharmaceutical industry, health, insurance, telecommunications and banking); definition of compliance strategies; creation of corporate and website privacy policies; implementation of whistleblowing procedures; definition and implementation of data breach procedures; definition of governance and data sharing strategies, as well as big data & analytics; assisting on the adoption of new products and services based on new technologies (Artificial Intelligence, machine learning, blockchain, and other emerging technologies); providing legal advice on national and international transactions involving the transfer of personal data and organising training sessions and seminars.

Awards & Recognitions

Lawyer of the year Privacy - IP&TMT Awards 2022.

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers - Privacy and Data Security Law - 2021.

Academic background

Law Degree, University of Lisbon, Faculty of Law.

Post-graduation in Competition Law and Regulation by the University of Lisbon, Faculty of Law.

Post Graduate Course in Information Society, Copyright and Electronic Commerce by the University of Lisbon, Faculty of Law.

Advanced LL.M in International Business Law, Global School of Law of Universidade Católica Portuguesa.

Published works

She has authored and co-authored several articles in national and international publications, namely:

- "Pay or consent" for ad-free services - anticipating the EDPB decision article for Lexology (2024)
- "Cybersecurity in the insurance sector: How the regulation on the digital operational resilience of the financial sector is shaping the future", article published by the Portuguese Insurers Association (2024)
- "The NIS2 Directive: The new cyber-resilience landscape" article for Advocatus magazine (2024)
- "The Digital Operational Resilience Act: the next chapter for cyber resilience in the EU financial sector" article for Legal Business (2023)
- "Data-Driven Digital Economy: are organizations ready for the Data Act?" article for Iberian Lawyer (2022)
- Data Protection Legislation Overview - articles for OneTrust DataGuidance regarding Timor-Leste (2020 and 2023), Gabon (2020), Democratic Republic of the Congo and Congo (2020 and 2021)
- "AI Training Datasets & Article 14 GDPR: A Risk Assessment for the Proportionality Exemption of the Obligation to Provide Information" article for the Law, State and Telecommunications Review (2021)
- "Cybersecurity Risks and Litigation - are Businesses Considering the Whole Picture?" insight for the WhatNextLaw website (2021)
- "The cybersecurity challenges in the insurance industry" article for Risco Magazine (2021)
- "Portuguese Implementation of the GDPR" article for Thomson Reuters (2020)
- "Personal Data Protection in Blockchain" article for the Portuguese Association for the Development of Communications' Magazine (2019)
- Global Privacy and Security Law book - Portugal chapter, published by Wolters Kluwer (2019)
- "The Data Protection General Regulation DNA" article for Advocatus Magazine (2018)
- The Privacy, Data Protection and Cybersecurity Law Review – Portugal chapter (2018 and 2015)
- "The Big Data Challenges" article for Advocatus Magazine (2017)
- "Preparing for the General Data Protection Regulation" article for Iberian Lawyer Magazine (2017)
- "Cloud – The Law and practice" book, published in partnership with Microsoft Portugal (2016)
- "PLC Cross Border Handbooks" (Data Protection – Portugal chapter)

Member of

Admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association.

Admitted in 2012 as Legal Expert to the EuroPriSe project launched by the E.U. Commission.

Certificate of Pedagogical Competence (certified by DGERT - Directorate-General for Employment and Labour Relations).

Languages

English, Spanish.