Margarida Couto

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Margarida Couto joined VdA in 1988. Partner of the Information, Communication & Technology practice, she has been providing regulatory advice to a wide variety of clients in matters involving Media, Data Privacy and Telecommunications law. Margarida was Head of the Social Economy & Human Rights practice until 2023.

She has also been involved in several infrastructure projects and public procurement transactions both in regulated and in non-regulated sectors.

She is the firm's partner responsible for the Pro Bono, Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme and chairs the Pro Bono Committee.

Margarida Couto is also CEO of the Vasco Vieira de Almeida Foundation.

Awards & Recognitions

Diversity & Inclusion: Outstanding Contribution, Chambers and Partners - 2023

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers - Technology Law - 2023

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers - Telecommunications Law (Lisbon) - 2019

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers - Technology Law - 2018

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers - Media Law - 2017

Lawyer of the Year, Best Lawyers - 2015

Academic background

Law Degree, Catholic University of Lisbon Faculty of Law.

Post-graduation in European Studies at the Catholic University of Lisbon Faculty of Law.

Teaching chairs

Visiting teacher of Telecommunications and Regulation at the Catholic University of Lisbon.

Visiting teacher of Telecommunications and Regulation Class in the LLM in Public Law of the Lisbon School of Administration.

Published works

Author of several articles related to regulation and electronic communications published in national and international specialized publications.

She has participated as speaker in several national and international conferences and seminars related to her area of practice.

Member of

Admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association.

Languages

English, French, Spanish.