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This is the fifth edition of the directory of Gafta Arbitrators, and it contains biographical information about Gafta arbitrators to assist you in nominating an arbitrator. As new arbitrators qualify throughout the year, you are also advised to regularly check the online directory of arbitrators at **www.gafta.com/Membership-Directory/arbitrators**

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<i>Employment</i>	2017-Present Bunge Ibérica Portugal
<i>History</i>	2017-2017 Louis Dreyfus Company Portugal 2004-2017 Acembex - Comércio e Serviços Lda 2004-2004 Carmona - GGRP, SA 2002-2004 Efacec Energia
<i>Arbitration</i>	• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
<i>Qualifications</i>	• Quality and Food Safety
<i>Languages</i>	English, Portuguese, Spanish
<i>Activities</i>	• Trading • Contracts • Arbitration • Negotiation • Quality • Food safety • Chartering • Logistics and execution • Finance • Superintendency • Future pricing & hedging
<i>Commodities</i>	Wheat, corn, barley, rice, other grains, soyabeans and other oilseeds, feed meals



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Employment History 2010-Present Posco International Corporation (formerly known as Daewoo International Corporation)

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
• LL.B.(Korea), LL.M.(USA)

Languages English, Korean

Activities

- Attorney (New York State, USA)
- International Trade Specialist (Korea International Trade Association)
- Advice on wide range of international trade, such as contracts, letter of credit, shipping and insurance
- Case management of arbitration and disputes and/or trade representation before Gafta, ICC, LCIA, KCAB, SIAC, CIETAC, SIETAC, AAA, VIAC

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<i>History</i>	2013-2017	Posco Daewoo Corporation
	2008-2012	Daewoo China Corporation
	1998-2007	Daewoo Corporation

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications

Languages English, Korean, Chinese

Activities

- Commodity trading
- Contract
- Shipping
- Letter of credit

Commodities Grains, rice, oilseeds, feedstuffs



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<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accredited Mediator, CEDR• Member & Arbitrator, FOSFA, London• Member, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London• Expert, Dubai International Arbitration Centre, Dubai• Member, FICCI Arbitration and Conciliation Tribunal (FACT), New Delhi• Member, Indian Council of Arbitration, New Delhi
<i>Languages</i>	English, Hindi
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chartered Accountant• Cost Accountant• Agreements/Contracts• Arbitration• Mediation• Finance• Insurance• Administration• Delivering lectures on arbitration• Honary Patron, India Pulses and Grain Association, Mumbai
<i>Commodities</i>	Rice, wheat, barley, peas, corn, pulses, sugar, soybean, mustard, rapeseed, oilseeds, oils



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<i>Employment</i>	2014-Present Arbitrating full time
<i>History</i>	2000-2014 Commodity Trade Consultant, part time Arbitrator
	1988-2000 Sucre Export London Ltd, Commodity Trader
	1978-1988 London Overseas Sugar Co Ltd, Freight Trader
	1975-1978 Matheson Chartering Ltd, Shipbroker
	1969-1975 Cunard Shipping Group, Navigator
<i>Arbitration</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
<i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chartered Arbitrator & Panel Arbitrator, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London• Arbitrator at FOSFA, LMAA, LCIA, MMTA
<i>Languages</i>	English
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Over 30 years' experience as a physical/futures commodity and freight trader for soft commodities and edible oils primarily to developing countries• Previously served in the Merchant Navy as a navigator and as a shipbroker on the Baltic Exchange• Dealing with procurement and design for flour mills, pasta plants and sugar refineries
<i>Commodities</i>	Rice, sugar, wheat, edible oils, grains, feed stuff, pulses



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History

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Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English



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<i>History</i>	1995-2009	Africom Lda
	1988-1995	Sujata Data Prod
	1985-1988	Lawrence & Mayo (I) Ltd

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages Bengali, English, Hindi, Portuguese

Activities

- Arbitration
- Contracts
- Financing
- Grain Trading
- Logistics



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<i>History</i>	2010-2012	Adani Wilmar Pte Ltd
	2006-2010	Adani Wilmar Ltd
	2005-2006	Karvy Comtrade Ltd

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications

Languages English

Activities • Arbitration
• Trading
• Risk Management



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<i>Employment</i>	1995-Present	SGS Group Management
<i>History</i>	1991-1995	Baisco/BMM
	1989-1991	Borlim

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages Dutch, English, French

Activities

- Trading
- Broker
- Finance
- Contracts
- Shipping
- Charterparties
- Superintending
- Testing

Commodities Feeding stuffs, grain, oilseeds



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<i>Employment</i>	2019-Present	Consulting/Self employed (Canada)
<i>History</i>	2011-2019	President/CEO ILTA Grain Inc
	2010-2011	Consulting/Project Development
	1990-2010	Finora Canada Ltd, President/CEO
	1989-1990	Elders Grain Canada-CFO
	1983-1989	CSP Foods/Balfour Grain

Languages English

Activities • Chartered Accountant – CPA (Canada, US)
 • Trading, execution, insurance, shipping
 • Administration, finance, banking, LC's
 • Dispute resolution, mediation, settlements
 • Arbitration, appeals
 • CSCA Rules/Arbitration Panel
 • Member Gafta Pulse committee

Commodities Grain, pulses, oilseeds, meal, oils, softs



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Employment History 1998-Present Shemen Industries Limited

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French, Hebrew

Activities

- Trade and contract negotiations and execution
- Managing the arbitrations process
- Charter party negotiations and fixing
- Responsibility for the trade and hedging of the company

Commodities Soybeans, vegetable oils, feedstuffs, pulses



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Employment History

2011-Present	Risk Management Director of Midstar Commodity Management Ltd, DIFC Dubai, part of HSA Group
2010-2011	Marketing Manager, Grains & Oilseeds Noble Resources Dubai, part of Noble Group

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, Hindi

Activities

- Contracts
- Trading
- Shipping
- Arbitration
- Risk management

Commodities Feeding stuffs, grain, oilseeds, rice

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Employment 2013-Present Clements & Barker BV
History 2005-2013 RWE Supply & Trading Switzerland SA
1989-2005 Schouten Products BV
1986-1989 Producon CV Rotterdam
1985-1986 Pell Nederland BV
1979-1985 Bartlett Grain Inc

Arbitration • Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
Qualifications

Languages Dutch, English, German

Activities

- Contract drafting and execution
- Shipping documents
- Handling quality & condition issues
- Letters of credit, finance and settlements
- Insurance
- Inland shipping, short and deep sea charter parties
- Case handling and consultation

Commodities Grains, feeding stuffs, oilseeds, oils, biomass



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<i>History</i>	2009-2014	Scottish Agriculture College
	2004-2009	Home Grown Cereal Authority HGCA
	2000-2003	Centaur Grain Ltd
	1996-2000	Lingrain
	1983-1996	Mardorf Peach & Co Ltd
	1979-1983	RHM Agriculture

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- Member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Languages English

Activities 30 year experience:

- Trading
- Chartering vessels
- Financing
- Shipping documentation
- Storage

Commodities Wheat, barley, malting barley, corn, soyabeans, oils



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<i>Employment</i>	2012-Present	Self-Employed
<i>History</i>	2011-2012	Novel Management Services SA
	1999-2011	Novel Commodities SA
	1997-1999	C.I.C. SA
	1993-1997	Inglewood Gestion SA
	1983-1993	Cargill International SA, Geneva

Arbitration

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Qualifications

- Post Graduate Diploma in Maritime Law
- Master of Laws (LLM Maritime Law)

Languages English, French

Activities

- Independent Trade consultant
- Arbitrator
- Mediator

Commodities Barley, malting barley, rice, wheat, corn, sugar, feed by-products, soybeans, oils



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<i>Employment</i>	2010-Present	Self-Employed
<i>History</i>	2010-2013	Marvesa UK Ltd
	2000-2010	Itochu Europe Plc
	1991-1999	Group Export
	1989-1991	Elders IXL
	1980-1989	C. Itoh & Co Ltd

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications • Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Languages English

Activities • All aspects of commodity disputes at both first and second tiers
 • Trade representative for matters including contracts, shipping, quality & condition, insurance, finance



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Employment 2008-Present Holbud Limited
History 2000-2008 Candura, Rio De Janeiro
1998-2000 Simab, Rio De Janeiro
1988-1998 Group Export, Antwerp, London Branch

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications

Languages English, Portuguese

Activities

- Execution
- Trading
- Chartering and post fixture
- Bulk and containerised cargoes
- Letters of credit
- Collections
- Insurance
- Arbitration

Commodities Sugar, rice, beans, grains, veg oils



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Employment 2012-Present Bunge Gıda Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S.

History 2007-2012 Fatoglu Group

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Qualifications • FOSFA Arbitrator

• LMAA supporting member

Languages English, French, Turkish

Activities • Commodity shipping and trading

• Vessel chartering and charter parties

• Grain, animal feed, oilseeds and oil products

• Contract negotiation

• Arbitration

• Certified in International Trade and Finance "CITF"

Commodities Barley, soybeans, canola, chick peas, corn gluten feed, distiller dried grains, durum wheat, flax seeds, grain, linseed, oils, rapeseed, rice, rye, sugar, wheat, yellow corn, meal



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<i>Employment</i>	2015-Present	Bridgefield Corporate Finance
<i>History</i>	2009-2015	Provimi/Cargill Animal Nutrition
	2002-2008	Rabobank International
	1998-2002	Nutreco
	1991-1998	Cargill

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Qualifications • Arbitrator at Royal Dutch Grain and Feed Trade Association (Het Comité), Rotterdam

• Arbitrator at Federation of Cocoa Commerce, London

Languages Dutch, English, French, German, Portuguese, Spanish

Activities 25+ years' experience:

- Trading
- Chartering
- Financing
- Shipping documentation
- Storage
- Supply chain management
- Risk management advisory and management



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<i>History</i>	1982-1987	Comex Grain

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English

Activities

- Trading
- Shipping
- Contracts
- Finance
- Charterparties
- Insurance



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History 2016-2018 Integrites International Law Firm
2012-2016 Clyde & Co LLP
2009-2011 Hammonds LLP
2006-2009 AGA Partners Law Firm
2003-2006 Ramburs/United Grain

Arbitration • Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
• Non-practising barrister (England and Wales)
• Certificate in Negotiation/Leadership, Harvard
Negotiation Project
• LLM in International Commercial Law
• Appeal Board Arbitrator

Languages English, Russian, Ukrainian

Activities • Contracts
• Arbitration, mediation/other forms of dispute resolution
• Negotiation and conflict/risk management
• Training
• Trade representation/advocacy
• Case handling

Commodities Grain, oilseeds, pulses



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<i>History</i>	2010-2018	Louis Dreyfus Company Suisse SA
	2007-2010	HFW
	2005-2007	Burges Salmon
	2003-2005	White and Case
	2000-2003	Herbert Smith

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French

Activities

- In-house solicitor with day to day handling of the disputes and arbitrations in connection with trading and shipping.



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Employment 2007-Present Self-Employed
History 2002-2007 Inter Eltra

Arbitration

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Qualifications

- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- LL.M in international law

Languages English, French, German

Activities

- Contracts
- Shipping documents
- Arbitration
- Mediation
- Chartering



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<i>History</i>	2011-2012	Export Trading Group
	2010-2011	Delta Exports Pte Ltd
	2008-2010	Sara International Ltd
	2007-2008	Multicommodity Exchange of India
	2004-2007	Glencore Grain India

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, Hindi

Activities

- Trading
- Broking
- Contract
- Member of Gafta's South East Asia Trade Committee

Commodities • Pulses, oilseed, grain, organic products



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<i>Arbitration</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma • Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators 	
<i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEDR mediation qualification 	
<i>Languages</i>	English	
<i>Commodities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All soft commodities 	



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<i>History</i>	2000-2004	Otterboer/Otter Group, Rotterdam
	1998-2000	Tradeinvest, Nassau, Bahamas
	1989-1998	Alimenta, Rotterdam/Alimenta USA, Atlanta, USA
	1983-1989	Citco, Neth. Antilles/Baker&McKenzie, Amsterdam
	1980-1983	Kersten Hunik, line management, Rotterdam
	1977-1980	Kuehne & Nagel, Tehran, Iran
	1969-1976	NedLloyd, KNSM, Rotterdam
<i>Arbitration</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, LCIA	
<i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supporting Member LMAA	
<i>Languages</i>	Dutch, English, French, German, Spanish	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advice on issues arising out of international trade, such as contracts, shipping, insurance and arbitration• Case management of disputes and/or trade representation before FOSFA, Gafta, LCIA, LMAA, TNA, NAI, NOFOTA, NZV, HWV, Incograin, Belgafood, ASPA, AAA	
<i>Commodities</i>	Oilseeds, grains, feed ingredients, fishmeal, vegetable oils	

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Employment 2013-Present Terraxis SA
History 2009-2012 CHS Inc.
2005-2009 Noble Resources SA

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Qualifications* • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French, Spanish

Activities • Wheat procurement
• Basis trading
• Hedging with Futures & Options
• Commercial mediator

Commodities Grains, Meals, Oilseeds, Sugar



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<i>Employment</i>	2002-Present	DLG a.m.b.a Copenhagen
<i>History</i>	2000-2002	Korn- og Foderstof Kompagniet A/S
	1998-2000	Chr. Petersen A/S
	1995-1998	Korn- og Foderstof Kompagniet A/S

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications

Languages Danish, English

Activities

- Execution
- Logistics
- Shipping
- Trading fishmeal
- Trading organic commodities and grain
- Chartering

Commodities Soya bean meal, sunflower meal, rapeseed cakes, rape seed, yellow corn, organic grain, commodities, fishmeal, alfalfa



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<i>Employment</i>	2005-Present	Guldager Consult
<i>History</i>	1984-2005	Korn-og Fodestof Kompagniet A/S
	1979-1984	Continental Grain
	1977-1978	A Hansen GmbH
<i>Arbitration</i> <i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arbitrator at The Copenhagen Adjudication and Arbitration• Arbitrator The Federation of Oils, Seeds and Fats Associations Ltd• Arbitrator at Verein der Getreide Händler der Hamburger Börse e.V.• Arbitrator at Royal Dutch Grain and Feed Trade Association (Het Comité), Rotterdam• Arbitrator at The Danish Grain and Feed Trade Association• Appeal Committee member at FOSFA• Arbitrator at Global Pulses Confederation	
<i>Languages</i>	Danish, English, German, Norwegian, Swedish	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dispute resolution• Contracts• Trading• Shipping• Arbitration• Consultancy• Mediation• Sworn broker• State certified in Maritime Law• Representation	
<i>Commodities</i>	Alfalfa, barley, corn, fishmeal, linseed, malt, malting barley, millet, oats, rapeseed, rice, rye, sorghum, soyabean, sugarbeet, sunflower, wheat	



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<i>Employment History</i>	2011-Present	Bunge SA
	2003-2011	Cargill International SA
	2001-2003	Middleton Potts (Solicitors)
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma• Gafta Appeal Board Examination• FOSFA Arbitrator• Supporting Member LMAA	
<i>Languages</i>	English, French	
<i>Activities</i>	English Qualified Solicitor. Advising on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All areas of commodity trading and shipping (physical and financial) including all disputes (arbitration/litigation), charterparties, bills of lading, Laytime/demurrage etc• General Commercial and corporate law, including contracts• Mergers and acquisitions/ Joint-ventures• Financial services & Finance (LCs, finance agreements)• Insurance	
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, feedstuffs, oils, oilseeds, pulses, fertilisers, sugar, other soft commodities	



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- Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules No. 127
- Appeal Board Arbitrator

Employment 2016-Present Consultant and Arbitrator
History 1997-2016 Louis Dreyfus Company Suisse SA
1993-1997 Truxo
1988-1992 V Berg & Sons Ltd
1980-1988 Corrie Maccoll & Sons

Arbitration

Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- FOSFA Arbitrator and Appeal Panel member
- LMAA Supporting member
- Associate of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Languages English

Activities

- Administration
- Documentation
- L/C's
- Logistics
- Insurance
- Freight
- Arbitration



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<i>Employment</i>	2008-Present Tetragon BV, Managing Director
<i>History</i>	1976-2008 Nidera Handelscompagnie BV, Managing Director from 1998
	1974-1975 Kon J Willebeek Le Mair BV and Shipmair BV
<i>Languages</i>	Dutch, English, French, German
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trading• Shipping• Risk Management• Contracts• Finance• Broker• Insurance• Arbitration• Charter parties and management• (Appeal) arbitrator with Gafta, FOSFA, NOFOTA and Het Comité van Graanhandelaren• Consultant• Early case handling/consulting in order to prevent/limit/control etc. trade and shipping disputes.• Recovery of cargo• Case handling and trade representation before Gafta, FOSFA, NOFOTA and Het Comité• Arbitrator, including appeals, at FOSFA, NOFOTA and Het Comité• Auctions of Seagoing vessels at the Court in Rotterdam
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, rice, oil seeds, derivatives, feed ingredients, ingredients for green energy, vegetable, fish oil

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Employment History

2012-Present	Viterra Inc
2008-2012	Intertek
2002-2007	Agricore United
1977-2001	James Richardson International Ltd

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English

Activities

- Contracts
- Arbitration
- Shipping
- L/Cs
- Trade Execution
- Consultant

Commodities Grains, oilseeds



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<i>Employment</i>	2001-Present	Portunity Ltd
<i>History</i>	1998-2001	Associated British Ports
	1984-1998	Arkady Feed (UK) Ltd
	1980-1984	HW Peabody Grain Ltd
	1964-1980	Toepfer International

Arbitration

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Qualifications

- FOSFA Arbitrator and Appeal Panel member

Languages English, German

Activities

- Trading internationally in Grain, Feedstuffs and Oil Seeds
- Contracts
- Shipping
- Administration
- Chartering
- Logistics
- Arbitration
- Quality aspects



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Employment 2014-Present POSCO International Corp.
History 2013-2014 Whanee Corp.
 2008-2012 OCI Corporation

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, Korean

Activities

- Trading
- Contracts
- Chartering
- Logistics and execution
- Future pricing and hedging

Commodities Corn, wheat, barley, and feed meals



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Employment History 1992-2014 Gafta, Director General

Languages English

Commodities Grain, feed material



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<i>Employment History</i>	2021 - present ADM WILD South-Eastern Europe LLC 2014-2021 ADM Hungary Agro Trading LLC 2002-2014 Toepfer Hungary LLC 1998-2002 Agrimpex Commodities Ltd 1990-1998 Gabona Co Ltd
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
<i>Languages</i>	English, Hungarian
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trading• Contracts• Administration• Arbitration• All aspects of commodity disputes at both first and second tiers• Trade representative for matters including contracts, shipping, quality and condition, finance



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<i>Employment</i>	2020-Present	Viterra B.V.
<i>History</i>	1992-2020	Glencore Agriculture BV
	1988-1992	Coceral
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma	
<i>Languages</i>	Dutch, English, French	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manager legal department	

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Employment History 2008-Present Agrokoncerno Grudai UAB

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French, Russian

Activities

- Drafting contracts
- Shipping requirements
- Execution of grain and feed contracts
- Legal counselling



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<i>Employment</i>	2011-Present	GTCS Trading DMCC
<i>History</i>	2008-2011	SRC Trading SA
	2006-2008	Southern Raw Material Company

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications • FOSFA
• LMAA

Languages English, Russian

Activities • Trading
• Contracts
• Shipping
• Execution
• Chartering
• Arbitration

Commodities Grains, pulses

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<i>Employment</i>	2017-Present	CAFI Commodity and Freight Integrators
<i>History</i>	2014-2017	Al Ghurair Resources LLC
	2012-2014	Agroglobe DOO, Novi Sad
	2009-2011	Agroinvest SA

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Qualifications • LCIA (London Court of International Arbitration) Member
• DIAC (Dubai International Arbitration Centre) Member

Languages English, Greek, Serbian

Commodities Grains, feedstuffs, oils, oilseeds, pulses



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<i>Employment</i>	2010-Present	SGS (Canada) Inc
<i>History</i>	2018-Present	Everexcel Holdings (Canada) Inc (Consultant)
	2002-2018	China Great International Co. Ltd
	1997-2018	Everexcel Holdings (Canada) Inc
	1994-2003	Gift Station SA

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications

Languages Cantonese, English, Mandarin

Activities • Fumigation
• Trade contracts
• Trade representative

Commodities Grain, oils, oilseeds, grain pellet

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<i>History</i>	2002-2007	Kesko Agro Lietuva
	1994-2001	JSC Kretingos Grudai

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, Russian

Commodities Grains, oilseeds



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Employment History 1995-Present Cargill International S.A.

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French

Activities • Contracts
• Letters of credit



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Employment History

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1991-2002	Commodity trading Contract & Arbitration Consultant China Cereals and Foodstuffs Import & Export Corp, Sales Manager

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- MCI Arb Member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- CIETAC China International Economics and Trade Arbitration Commission Arbitrator
- FOSFA Arbitrator
- HKIAC Hong Kong International Arbitration Center Arbitrator

Languages English, Mandarin



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- Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules No. 127
- Appeal Board Arbitrator

Employment 1990-Present Self-Employed
History 1975-1990 Louis Dreyfus Trading Ltd

Arbitration

Qualifications

- Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- City of London Poly, Grain & Grain Trade Course
- Gafta Maritime Arbitrators Exam
- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English

Activities

- Case handling for arbitral disputes
- General contracts & charterparty administration



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<i>Employment</i>	2017-Present	CJ International Italy S.P.A.
<i>History</i>	2009-2017	Nidera S.P.A.
	2008-2009	Agrenco Italia
	2000-2007	Bunge Italia
	1994-1999	Saroc
	1987-1992	Bfi Ibexsa
	1979-1986	Compagnia Continentale Italiana

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French, Italian

Activities

- More than 30 years in grains field
- Manager of execution department since 2000

Commodities Corn, rice, soybean, sunflower, wheat



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History 2007-2017 China Agri-Industrials Holdings Ltd
(Hong Kong Listed company)

1995-2007 COFCO Corporation

*Arbitration
Qualifications* • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages Chinese, English

Activities • ICC International Court of Arbitration, Court Member
Active Arbitrator in the following institutions:

- Singapore International Arbitration Center (SIAC)
 - Hong Kong International Arbitration Center (HKIAC)
 - FOSFA
 - China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC)
 - China Maritime Arbitration Commission (CMAC)
 - Beijing International Arbitration Center (BIAC)
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Commodities Grains (rice, wheat, corn, barley), oilseeds, feedstuffs



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<i>History</i>	2009-2017 Hill Dickinson LLP 1976-2009 Middleton Potts 1972-1976 Crawley & de Reya
<i>Arbitration</i> <i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma• FOSFA arbitrator• LMAA supporting member• Panel of LCIA (London Court of International Arbitration)• Panel of the Swiss Arbitration Centre, Geneva• Member of the Baltic Exchange
<i>Languages</i>	English, modest French, decent Italian, limited Spanish
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English qualified solicitor 1972-2017• Practised in commodities trading, shipping and related fields continuously since 1972• Acted for parties to countless arbitrations (Gafta, FOSFA, RSA, SAOL, ICA, LMAA, ICC, LCIA, etc., as well as ad hoc)• Advised and acted in disputes relating to purchase, sale and transportation of a very wide range of commodities, including not only softs but also oil, metals, ores, fertilisers, etc• Acted frequently as legal advisor to arbitrators, primarily in arbitrations under the auspices of the RSA and SAOL but also on occasion of the ICA and, very occasionally, and several years ago, Gafta• General Editor of the textbook "Shipping and International Trade Law – Jurisdictional comparisons" (Sweet & Maxwell) 1st & 2nd editions.
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, feedstuffs, rice, oils, fats, oilseeds, pulses, fertilisers



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<i>History</i>	2010-2017 Nidera/Cofco Group
	2011-2012 St Andrew's University Law Faculty (Lecturer)
	2006-2008 National Commercial Court of Appeal (Argentina)
	2006-2007 Di Tella University Law Faculty (Lecturer)
<i>Arbitration</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
<i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Appeal Board Examination• FOSFA Arbitrator• LMAA Supporting Member
<i>Languages</i>	English, Spanish and limited German, French and Portuguese
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arbitrations• Commodity Contracts• Charter Parties• Bills of Lading• Execution• Litigation• Trade representation in Gafta and FOSFA first-tier and appeal proceedings• Magister Juris Degree, with distinction (Oxford University)• Diploma in Maritime Law (London Metropolitan University and Lloyd's Maritime Academy)
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, feedstuffs, oils, oilseeds, pulses, fertilisers

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- Appeal Board Arbitrator

Employment 2003-Present Arbi-Grain Ltd
History 1998-2003 Agrimpex Commodities Ltd
1990-1998 Gabona Co Ltd

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications

Languages English, Hungarian

Activities

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- Contracts
- Execution
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	1992-2014	Alfred C. Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg
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<i>Languages</i>	English, German	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contracts• Shipping• Arbitration• Insurance• Charterparties• Laytime• Handling of arbitrations and all type of commercial and maritime disputes• Commodity trading, execution	
<i>Commodities</i>	Grain, feedstuffs, pulses, oils, oilseeds	



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2014-2020	ADM Trading Ukraine LLC
2005-2014	Alfred C. Toepfer International (Ukraine) LLC

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- Associate Member of ACI Arb - Associate of The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, UK
- Associate Member of LL.M. (Northwestern University, USA)
- Associate Member of Maritime Law & shipping contracts (Lloyd's Maritime Academy)

Languages English, Russian, Ukrainian

Activities

- Commodity contracts
- Arbitration
- Trading execution
- Shipping and logistics
- Insurance

Commodities Grains, oilseeds, feedstuffs



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<i>History</i>	2004-2012	Bartholomews Agri Food Ltd
	2003-2004	Centaur Grain Ltd
	2001-2003	Soufflet Agriculture Ltd
	1993-2001	Dalgety Agriculture Ltd

Arbitration Qualifications

- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- Member of London Court for International Arbitration (LCIA)

Languages English

Activities

- Arbitration (AIC & FOSFA)
- Commodity contracts
- Shipping and charterparties
- Sale of goods
- Finance
- Trade representation
- Supporting member of LMAA



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<i>History</i>	1984-2003	Safic - Alcan & Cie
	1982-1983	Balfour, Maclaine International Ltd
	1981-1982	Petrotrade International SA
	1979-1981	Pasternak, Baum SA

Arbitration

- Accredited Mediator, CEDR, LSLC

Qualifications

- Associate Member, CIARB
- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- Supporting Member, LMAA

Languages English, French

Activities

- Arbitration
- Mediation and dispute resolution in the commodity/maritime sectors
- Trade representation in Gafta and FOSFA
- First tier and appeal stage disputes



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<i>History</i>	2013-2015	Glencore Grain Italia Srl
	2012-2013	Viterra Srl
	2003-2011	Italgrani USA Inc
	2000-2003	Trade Service Stocks Srl

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- CACCS Genova Arbitrator
- AGER Bologna Arbitrator

Languages English, Italian

Activities

- FOB
- CIF contracts
- Maritime disputes at loading and discharge ports
- Disputes on documents presentations

Commodities Grains, oilseeds, derived



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Employment History 2006-Present Med Control Services, Greece

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French, Greek

Activities

- Trading contracts
- Forwarding
- Shipping
- Chartering
- Insurance and arbitration
- Cargo quality & quantity issues
- Loss adjusting & cargo damages

Commodities Grains: wheat, corn, barley, rye, rapeseed. Seeds: (organic) sunflower seeds, peanuts, sesame seeds, canola. Feedstuffs: fishmeal, groundnut cakes, tapioca, barley, corn, citrus meal pellets, palm kernel expellers, corn gluten, birdfeed. Containerised goods, pulses. Biomass: palm kernel expellers, wood pellets, groundnut hulls



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- Appeal Board Arbitrator

<i>Employment</i>	2013-Present	PEG Group
<i>History</i>	2011-2013	Gavilon Geneva Sarl
	2009-2011	PEG Group
	2005-2008	Webcor SA
	1997-2001	Decom SA
	1992-1997	Romak SA
	1988-1992	Foodline SA

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, French, German, Serbo-Croat

Activities

- Arbitrations and dispute prevention and management in trading and shipping
- Grain origination
- Project management



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- Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules No. 127
- Appeal Board Arbitrator

Employment History

2013-Present	Self-Employed
1984-2013	Agrimex Co Ltd, London
1982-1983	Inveco NV, Antwerp
1978-1981	Elisa Commodities, Rotterdam
1966-1978	Kon J Willebeek - Le Mair, Rotterdam/Antwerp

Arbitration Qualifications

- Chartered Arbitrator
- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages German, English, Dutch

Activities

- Trading
- Contracts
- Management
- Arbitrations
- Representation



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Employment History 2015-Present Bunge
2007-2015 Cargill

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
• Associate of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
• LLM in Corporate and Commercial Law from London School of Economics and Political Science

Languages English, Ukrainian, Russian

Activities • Expertise in arbitration, commodity trading (physical and financial), shipping, logistics

Commodities Grains, feedstuffs, oils, oilseeds, pulses, other soft commodities



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Panel Approval

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- Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules No. 127
- Appeal Board Arbitrator

Employment 2009-Present Self-Employed

History 1990-2009 Louis Dreyfus Trading Ltd

1988-1990 V Berg & Sons Ltd

1984-1988 European Grain & Shipping

1983-1984 Interice

1979-1983 Raphaely Trading UK Ltd

1973-1978 Continental (London) Ltd

Arbitration • Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Qualifications • Gafta Maritime Arbitrators Exam

• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

• Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Shipbrokers

Languages English, French, German

Activities

- Contracts
- Shipping
- Arbitration
- Insurance
- Charter Parties

Commodities Grain, oilseeds



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<i>Employment</i>	2020-Present	Northstar
<i>History</i>	2010-2020	Hankkija
	2000-2010	Kesko
	1998-2000	MTT Agrifood Research Finland

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, Finnish, Swedish



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<i>Employment History</i>	1991-Present	ADM Agriculture Ltd (formerly Arkady Feed (UK) Ltd)
	1980-1990	Alexanders Partners Ltd
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Year Examination, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma 	
<i>Languages</i>	English, French	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts • Arbitration 	
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, feeding stuff	



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Employment 2014-Present Office des Cereals

History 2013-2014 Office de l'Élevage et des Pâturages

2012-2013 Ministry of Trade and Handicraft

1983-2012 Office Des Cereals

Languages Arabic, English, French

Activities • Contracts and trade - cereals and soyabean meal pellets

Commodities Grain, soyabean



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<i>Panel Approval</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules Nos 125 & 126 • General Produce Rules of Arbitration and Appeal • Appeal Board Arbitrator
<i>Employment History</i>	1993-Present Virani Food Products Limited
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma • Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
<i>Languages</i>	English
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Tier and Appeal Board • Tribunal Chair • Sole Arbitrator (not trade representative)
<i>Commodities</i>	Cereals: wheat, rice, soya, corn/maize. Pulses: peas, beans, lentils, chick peas herbs, spices, essential oils, oleoresins other agri-produce



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Employment History

1983-Present	Law School, University of International Business
1981-1983	Law School, Columbia University
1965-1981	Law School, Peking University

Languages Chinese, English

Activities • Arbitration

Commodities Beans, rye, soyabean



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<i>Employment History</i>	<table> <tr> <td>2021-Present</td> <td>Cotecna Inspection S.A.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2014-2020</td> <td>ADM Germany GmbH, Hamburg</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2002-2014</td> <td>Alfred C Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1996-2002</td> <td>Alfred C Toepfer International SA, Buenos Aires</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1992-1996</td> <td>Alfred C Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg</td> </tr> </table>	2021-Present	Cotecna Inspection S.A.	2014-2020	ADM Germany GmbH, Hamburg	2002-2014	Alfred C Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg	1996-2002	Alfred C Toepfer International SA, Buenos Aires	1992-1996	Alfred C Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg
2021-Present	Cotecna Inspection S.A.										
2014-2020	ADM Germany GmbH, Hamburg										
2002-2014	Alfred C Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg										
1996-2002	Alfred C Toepfer International SA, Buenos Aires										
1992-1996	Alfred C Toepfer International GmbH, Hamburg										
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma 										
<i>Languages</i>	English, German, Spanish										
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts • Arbitration • Insurance • Administration • Shipping 										
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, feedstuffs, vegetable oils, oilseed, pulses										



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Employment

2015-Present Self-Employed

History

2000-2015 LATRAPs Co-operative Company
1998-2011 Lawyer

Arbitration

- Master of Laws/International Commercial Law

Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages

English, German, Latvian, Russian

Activities

- Contracts
- Pricing, i.e. hedging and other financial instruments
- Trading
- Shipping
- Dispute resolution
- Consultancy
- Representation
- Arbitration

Commodities

Grain, oilseeds, pulses



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Panel Approval

- Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules Nos 125 & 126
- Appeal Board Arbitrator

<i>Employment</i>	2013-Present	Self-employed
<i>History</i>	2011-2013	Uljarice-Backa DOO
	2010-2011	Glencore grain Hungary
	2007-2010	Granit Agriculture
	2004-2007	Csuka Gabona
	2003-2004	Umecos

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages English, Hungarian, Serbian

Activities

- Contracts and Pricing
- Trading
- Execution
- Shipping
- Dispute resolution
- Consultancy
- Representation Arbitration (FOSFA & Gafta)

Commodities Grains, pulses, rapeseed, feedstuffs, oils, oilseeds, fertilisers



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- Appeal Board Arbitrator

<i>Employment</i>	1996-Present	Smid Consulting SAGL
<i>History</i>	1981-1996	SGS Geneva
	1972-1981	Cargill Geneva

Arbitration Qualifications

- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Languages English, French, German, Italian

Activities

- 30 years' experience as adviser to multinational groups engaged in international trade and as an arbitrator (first instance and appeal) in commodity, maritime and other international trade disputes
- International Case Management: which involves developing coordinated strategies for proceedings between the same two parties for cases in the same or different jurisdictions and the selection and instruction of appropriate local lawyers in each case/ jurisdiction to ensure that there is no inconsistency in the application of the overall strategy
- Mediator, conference speaker and author of numerous articles on arbitration, international trade law and legal risk management



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<i>Employment</i>	2019-Present	GrainStream Sarl
<i>History</i>	2018-2019	Vicorus SA
	2013-2017	CBH Grain Pty Ltd
	2010-2013	CHS Europe SA Geneva
	2007-2009	Tradefield SA Geneva (Yug Rusi - Russia)
	2000-2007	Albion Trade London
	1997-2000	Matrix Trading Ltd UK /Russia /Poland
	1982-1997	Xcan Grain Europe Ltd London
	1980-1982	Northern Sales Ltd Canada
	1975-1980	Marpro Ltd London/USA
	1973-1975	TA JONES Ltd London

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Activities

- Trading in EU, CIS Countries, including Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and other Black Sea Countries, Middle East, Africa, USA, Canada, Mexico, Argentina and Australia
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- Arbitration management
- Shipping
- Freight management



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2001-2003	Agrico Trade & Finance Ltd												
1999-2001	Agromarket UK Ltd												
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma												
<i>Languages</i>	English, French, Italian, Russian												
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trader of grains from Russia• 22 years of experience in the grain trade• Trading, execution, contract drafting; insurance, freight & shipping• Company Director, familiar with trade finance, banking, Letters of Credit• Dispute resolution, mediation, settlements; Arbitration, Appeal Board hearings• Gafta Council member 2016-2020 and Gafta President 2019/2020• Public speaker at grain industry events, such as speaking on panels at conferences.												
<i>Commodities</i>	Barley, corn, wheat												



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<i>Employment</i>	2016-Present	Director/Conifer Commodities Pvt Ltd
<i>History</i>	2012-2016	CEO Trading/Ruchi Soya Inds. Ltd
	2005-2011	Associate VP/Adani Wilmar Ltd
	2002-2005	GM/Ruchi Group
	1992-2002	AGM/SM Dyechem Ltd

Arbitration • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
Qualifications • FOSFA Arbitrator

Languages English, Hindi

Activities • Consulting and advising clients in trading, structuring and risk management
• Vast experience in chartering/contracts
• Traded a variety of commodities globally

Commodities Wheat, corn, rice, barley, pulses, lentils, sorghum, millets, oil seeds, oil meals etc.



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<i>Employment</i>	2018-Present Independent Consultant
<i>History</i>	2015-2018 Control Union (UK) Ltd.
	2011-2015 Daudruy Van Cauwenberghe et Fils
	2008-2011 Nidera Handelscompagnie BV.
	2005-2008 Itochu Europe Plc.
	1995-2005 Gardner Smith (S E Asia) Pte Ltd.
	1992-1995 Nidera Handelscompagnie BV.
	1990-1992 Mindo Resources Ltd.
	1986-1990 Woodhouse Drake & Carey Ltd.
	1976-1986 Marpro Ltd.
<i>Arbitration Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
<i>Languages</i>	English
<i>Activities</i>	All aspects of the global commodity markets, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cash trading• Risk management• Chartering• Contracts• Shipping matters• Insurance• Surveying• Finance• Arbitrations (1st tier Gafta, 1st and 2nd tier FOSFA)• Case handler• Legal coordinator
<i>Commodities</i>	Grains, oils, fats, oilseeds, pulses



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<i>Employment</i>	2005-Present	Self-employed
<i>History</i>	2004-2005	Centaur Grain Ltd
	1984-2003	Soufflet Agriculture Ltd
	1974-1984	Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce
<i>Languages</i>	English	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contracts • Shipping • Insurance • Arbitration • Administration 	
<i>Commodities</i>	Grain, pulses, oilseeds	



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- Gafta Qualified Arbitrator for Rules 127

Employment History 2008-Present Riera Roura, S.L.

Arbitration Qualifications

- Gafta Arbitrator Diploma
- Consulate of the Sea

Languages English, Spanish, Catalan, Basic French and Italian

Activities

- Contracts
- Trading
- Shipping
- Chartering
- Quality
- Futures
- Financing
- Distribution

Commodities Grains: wheat, corn, barley, sorghum, rye, triticale, oats,
Oilseeds: sunflower, rapeseed, soya, Feedstuffs, Pulses



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Employment History 2010-Present CHS Europe SARL, Geneva
2006-2009 Garantibank International NV, Amsterdam

Arbitration Qualifications • Gafta Arbitrator Diploma

Languages Turkish, English, French, Italian (intermediate)

Activities • Contracts
• Arbitration
• Finance with special emphasis on Black Sea grain sourcing and Middle East, North Africa destination trades

Commodities Wheat, corn, barley, grain, oilseeds, pulses



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<i>Employment</i>	2014-Present	Self-Employed
<i>History</i>	2012-2014	Noble Resources SA, Geneva
	1999-2012	Bunge, Rotterdam & Geneva
	1989-1999	Glencore Grain BV, Rotterdam
	1987-1989	Philipp Brothers Ltd, London
	1985-1987	Frahuil SA, Marseille
	1981-1985	Frint Ltd, London
	1976-1981	Nidera Handelscompagnie BV, Rotterdam
<i>Arbitration</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators	
<i>Qualifications</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member of Association Suisse d'Arbitrage• Gafta Arbitrator Diploma	
<i>Languages</i>	Dutch, English, French, German	
<i>Activities</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contracts• Shipping• Execution• Chartering• Arbitration• Appeal Arbitrator FOSFA International Ltd.	
<i>Commodities</i>	Canola, corn, cotton, durum wheat, feed wheat, feeding stuffs, grain, groundnuts, linseed, oils, oilseeds, rapeseed, sorghum, soybeans, sunflower, tallow, wheat, white corn, yellow corn	

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GAFTA MEDIATION

Gafta Mediation

By Jonathan Waters LLB, LLM, MCI Arb, Barrister
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In certain circumstances, parties may wish to refer their dispute to Mediation under Gafta 128. This can be done at any time; for example, before arbitration proceedings have commenced or, indeed, once the parties have embarked on it. With arbitration, the parties have agreed, in their contract, to resolve their dispute in a formal way in accordance with the relevant Gafta Rules. The parties are, therefore, tied into the process and are legally bound by the decision of the arbitrators. Mediation, however, is fundamentally different. Unlike an arbitrator, a mediator's role is not to rule on the dispute. Rather, their role is to try and encourage the parties to reach an agreement on terms that they are both comfortable with. If the parties cannot reach an agreement, then their dispute will simply go back to arbitration. If, however, they do reach an agreement, then the mediator will assist in drawing up a settlement agreement, which, once signed, is contractually binding on both parties.

Things said in a mediation are strictly confidential and any offers made to settle are without prejudice, meaning that they cannot later be referred to in an arbitration if the mediation subsequently breaks down.

In a typical mediation, the mediator will meet with both parties at a neutral venue on the day of the mediation (having first asked them both to send a brief 'position paper' in advance of the mediation hearing). The mediation process will then be explained (including the parties' obligation to keep the matter confidential), brief comments will be sought from the parties as to their respective positions and what they hope to achieve on the day, following which the parties will, usually, adjourn to their own rooms. The mediator's role is to then 'shuttle' between the two rooms, understanding the parties' relevant cases (and weaknesses), with a view to assisting the parties to hopefully arrive at common ground to resolve their differences. Unlike an arbitration, where the legal remedies sought are fixed (most commonly, damages), mediation can often involve more creative solutions, not necessarily limited to the matter in dispute. For example, an agreement to trade on certain specified terms, in respect of any new orders or, indeed, an agreement to place a new order.

Gafta mediation costs just £950 for one day, which includes all the necessary pre-hearing work, such as reading-in time. Gafta mediation is provided by Gafta's General Counsel, Jonathan Waters, who is a Civil Mediation Council Registered Mediator.



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Jonathan Waters is Gafta's General Counsel. He is a barrister, arbitrator and Civil Mediation Council Registered Mediator and has held a number of senior in-house positions in a variety of business sectors, including retail and leisure, healthcare and insurance. Jonathan has over 30 years PQE, having advised clients, ranging from those listed on the London Stock Exchange to small-medium enterprises, and specialises in international arbitration, dispute resolution and commercial contracts. He has been involved in a number of key reported legal cases involving company law and directors duties. He is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and has a Masters Degree in Economic Relations and Employment Law. He presents at international conferences and spent twelve years as a part-time Law lecturer. Jonathan is the 2020 winner of International Arbitration Advisory Expert of the Year in the UK (Global Advisory Experts) and the Alternative Dispute Resolution UK award (Finance Monthly M&A Awards). He has also been included in Lawyer Magazine's 'Hot 100' lawyers.

GAFTA ARBITRATION STATISTICS FOR 2019/2020 FINANCIAL YEAR

by Beth Jameson, Gafta Arbitration Manager

The following arbitration statistics are taken from the period of 1st October 2019–30th September 2020 and any comparisons made are against the same period from the previous year.

FIRST TIER STATISTICS

Between 1st October 2019-30th September 2020 Gafta's arbitration department were notified of a total of 291 new arbitration claims and issued 109 first tier awards which shows that despite a 25% decrease in new claims the number of first tier awards issued only decreased by 10%. Of the 109 first tier awards issued 99 proceeded under the 125 rules of Arbitration, 7 under 126 rules and 3 under IGPA Rules.

125 AWARDS

The most common Gafta contracts used, which remains unchanged from last year, were Gafta 49, 100 and 48 and the most common commodities in dispute were Wheat (mainly of Russian origin), Corn (Indian Yellow) and Barley (feed). 64 of the awards issued awarded damages in US Dollars with the highest sum being \$5,863,632.00 (in respect of a claim for 40,000MT Brazilian Yellow Corn), the aggregate sum of damages awarded converted into US Dollars totals \$58,098,824.17; 19 first tier awards didn't award any damages at all.

126 AWARDS

Of the 7 awards issued under 126 Rules the commodities in dispute were Corn, Wheat and beans from The Black Sea Region, Ukraine/Kazakhstan, Brazil and Egypt, the total damages awarded converted to USD was \$1,817,253.00.

AVERAGE TIME AND COST AND LENGTH OF GAFTA AWARDS

	<i>First Tier (125 Rules)</i>	<i>Appeal</i>	<i>126 Rules</i>	<i>IGPA</i>
Months contract date to claiming arbitration	15	NA	22	6
Months (open* to issue)	6	10	2	2
Months (open to Submissions closed)	4	6	2	1
Months (Submissions closed to issue)	2	4	1	<1
Length of Award	26 pages	37 pages	20 pages	8 pages
Association fees	£1,391.92	£3,521.06	£1,016.57	£1,020.00
Arbitrator fees	£11,014.67	£19,726.13	£4,411.00	£2,000.00
Total fees (plus NM charges)	£14,654.65	£23,816.78	£7,013.29	£6,136.00

*Open – deposit received/ timetable set

APPEAL STATISTICS

Gafta's appeal statistics remain similar to what has been reported in the last 2 years with 28 appeal awards being issued (1 less than last year) and the outcomes showing that 68% of appeal awards upheld the first tier decision.

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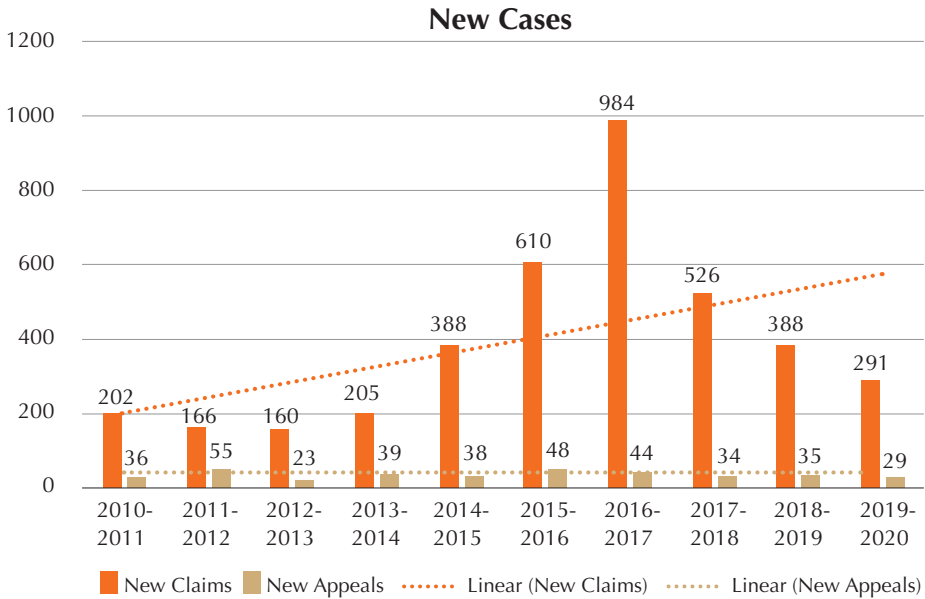
Gafta received 32 section 57 applications, 9 relating to appeals and 23 to first tier awards. 28 awards were amended, 3 were fully dismissed and 1 application (that contained multiple requests) saw amendments made and some of the requests dismissed.

DEFAULTER STATISTICS

24 companies were posted under Rule 24.1, 6 companies were posted under Rule 24.2 and 7 companies were posted under rule 10.1 (126 rules). Once being posted 9 companies went on to settle and were removed from the defaulters list.

NEW CASES

New cases from 2010-2020



Trend lines show general increase in new cases and slight overall decrease in new appeals

COVID-19 AND GAFTA ARBITRATION EFFICIENCY

The Covid-19 pandemic meant that the Arbitration Department had to work remotely, during this period Gafta issued Awards electronically using e-signatures and electronic date stamps. As a result of this the average time taken from the date the submissions were closed to the date of issue was reduced by 2 months.

Membership

Gafta is the international trade association representing over 1900 member companies in 100 countries who trade in agricultural commodities, spices and general produce. Gafta is headquartered in London and also has offices in Geneva, Kiev, Beijing and Singapore. More than 90% of Gafta membership is outside the UK. With origins dating back to 1878, Gafta provides a range of important services that facilitate the movement of bulk commodities and other produce around the world.

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Individuals	Not engaged in the trade	£150

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