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Maria Scott's experience includes disputes related to gas pricing, joint venture agreements concerning the production of commodities, and other commercial contracts, with a particular emphasis on disputes in the energy sector, as well as matters of contractual interpretation and claims of fraud or misrepresentation.

Maria has represented clients before leading arbitration institutions such as the LCIA, ICC and SCC and in proceedings before the High Court of England and Wales.

### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- French

- International Arbitration
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Financial Services

English French

- Acting for a major energy company in its successful defense against claims for an alleged breach of contractual good faith obligations brought by its fellow shareholders in an LCIA arbitration seated in London, estimated to be in excess of USD5bn.
- Acting in multiple separate SCC arbitrations with a Stockholm seat concerning the supply and transit of natural gas.
- Representing a respondent-state in an ICSID investment treaty dispute relating to the alleged termination of a mining licence involving claims in excess of USD2bn.
- Acting for an Asian energy company in Singapore-seated ICC arbitration in respect of its claims for price revision under an English law long term LNG sale and purchase agreement, with a value of several hundred million.
- Representing a prominent Indian businessman in a USD600m financial services / real estate dispute in an LCIA arbitration seated in Singapore, in particular obtaining orders for the giving of evidence in support of the arbitration before the courts in England, Singapore and India, including appearing before a Master in the English High Court.
- Acting for a joint venture company in a LCIA London arbitration concerning a shareholder dispute relating to contracts entered into by a major commodity producer, with a value of approximately USD 50bn.
- Obtaining a third party disclosure orders and a multi-party worldwide freezing order and recovering assets for a large international retailer who was victim of an employee fraud spanning 8 years.

## CREDENTIALS

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### Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

### Recognitions

- Maria Scott is *"very clever and tenacious; master of the detail; quick and deft of mind; a rising star"*. (Legal 500, 2020)

### Education

- College of Law, Legal Practice Course, 2012
- Université de Paris II Panthéon-Assas, Maîtrise en droit, 2011
- University of Cambridge, BA (Hons), Law - Double Maîtrise, 2011

### Memberships

- Maria is a member of the Working Group on Legal Tech Adoption in International Arbitration, which published in 2020 a Protocol for Online Case Management in International Arbitration, available at <https://protocol.techinarbitration.com/p/1>

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### Issue 7

25 April 2022

Energy and Natural Resources Case Law Update

Amid a backdrop of COVID-19 and the Ukraine conflict, clients in the energy and natural resources sector are reviewing their contractual relationships to identify risks and reduce exposure to extreme market changes and the consequences of sanctions. This edition covers key cases for entities in the E&NR sector from July 2021 to December 2021.

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#### Disclosure dos and don'ts – ICSID Tribunal's reminder to parties of document production principles

13 December 2021

This article outlines the dos and don'ts of document production issued in a recent procedural order from the ICSID Tribunal.

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#### Enforcing arbitral awards: where does the tribunal's jurisdiction end, and the Court's begin?

27 January 2021

The judgment in *A v B (Rev 1)* [2020] EWHC 2790 (Comm) serves as a useful reminder that, while there may occasionally be an overlap between the jurisdiction of the courts and arbitral tribunals, the final decision regarding enforcement of arbitral awards lies with the relevant court.

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## NEWS

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## **'Industry standard' for use of arbitration platforms moves a step closer as pan-firm collaboration receives support**

30 November 2020

Plans to standardise the approach to online case management in international arbitration are a step closer to reality, after a draft protocol received positive feedback from an industry-wide consultation.

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## **Law firms collaborate on industry first to accelerate tech adoption in international arbitration**

2 July 2020

DLA Piper is amongst six international law firms which have developed a Protocol to help deliver a globally consistent approach to the use of online case management platforms in international arbitration.

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