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Laurent Hirsch is a Geneva-based sole practitioner handling international arbitration worldwide. He advises and represents companies before arbitral tribunals in international commercial disputes, and serves as an arbitrator.

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Whether in arbitration or for transactional purposes, his practice extends to all fields of business law. In recent years, Laurent Hirsch advised companies involved in M&A transactions and negotiated and drafted on a regular basis patent licensing agreements in the pharmaceutical and medical devices industries. When assisting clients, Laurent Hirsch carefully avoids resorting to ready-made recipes and strives to find tailor-made solutions matching client's needs and interests as closely as possible.

Present practice:

Member of the Geneva Bar.

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Activities mainly in connection with:

- · international arbitration proceedings, with particular experience in disputes involving long-term contracts (licenses, joint ventures, ...);
- patent and know-how licensing agreements, particularly in the field of pharmaceuticals and medical devices;
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Past experience:

- 1994-1998 Debiopharm SA Lausanne (pharmaceutical development) Legal counsel
- 1991-1994 CGI Compagnie de Gérance Immobilière (real estate in Geneva), In-house counsel and assistant manager
- 1984-1990 Junod, Guyet, Muhlstein & Lévy Associate, commercial law

Arbitration practice:

Counsel and arbitrator in international arbitration cases Chair of the ADR Committee of the Geneva Bar Association Fellow CIArb

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Law degree in 1983 (University of Geneva) Diploma in Legal Studies in 1984 (Oxford University) Bar exam in 1986 (Geneva)

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Extra-curricular activities:

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Member of the Executive Committee of the International Business Law Journal (IBLJ), co-editor responsible for international arbitration in the Swiss electronic law review Jusletter

Recent publications:

L'arbitrage ex aequo et bono, in Arbitrage, médiation et autres modes pour résoudre les conflits autrement, Schulthess 2018, pp. 183-192.

Corporate strategy towards minimisation litigation risks, roundtable report with John Sabet, *in* IBLJ No 5/2018, pp. 499-509.

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Le tort moral dans la jurisprudence récente, *in* Le préjudice corporel : bilan et perspectives, journée de la responsabilité civile 2009 Fribourg, pp. 259-290.

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Voies de recours contre le refus de nomination d'arbitre, in Jusletter December 15, 2008.

La formation continue de l'avocat, *in* Défis de l'avocat au XXIe siècle. Mélanges en l'honneur de Madame le bâtonnier Dominique Burger, Slatkine, Genève 2008, pp. 487-516.