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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON LAW CENTER, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.

Director - Center for U.S. and Mexican Law

September 2022-present

Research Assistant Professor affiliated to the Environment, Energy, and Natural Resources Center

August 2016 – present

Visiting Assistant Professor – Energy Law Scholar at the EENR Center

August 2012 – July 2016

- Teaching: **1)** Course Transnational Petroleum Law (*Lex petrolea*); **2)** Transnational Investment Law and Arbitration; **3)** Global Oil and Gas Service and Procurement Agreements; and **4)** Diplomacy and Geopolitics of Oil and Gas.
- Research on International Petroleum Transactions, Transnational Investment Arbitration and Oil and Gas Industry Best Practices.
- Faculty Member of the University of Houston International Students Advisory Committee (2017-2018).
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Houston Journal of International Law (2018-present).
- Faculty Advisor of the Venezuelan Student Union (VSU) at the University of Houston (2015 – present).

UNIVERSIDAD DEL EXTERNADO, Bogotá, Colombia.

Visiting Professor, Departamento de Derecho Minero Energético.

May 2015 – present

- Teaching: Arbitraje de Inversiones Internacionales (10 hours LLM course/ Spring Semester).

UNIVERSIDAD DEL ESTADO DE NUEVO LEON, ESCUELA DE DERECHO, Monterrey, México.

Visiting Professor, Facultad de Derecho y Criminalística.

Dec. 2014 - present

- Teaching: Arbitraje Transnacional Petrolero (25 hours LLM course/ Spring and Fall Semester).

UNIVERSITE PARIS SUD, Paris, France.

Guest Lecturer in the class Transnational Petroleum Law and Arbitration

April 2013 – April 2016

- Lecturer in International O&G Industry Practices and Usages (2 hours LLM course/ Spring Semester).

UNIVERSIDADE DO ESTADO DO RIO DE JANEIRO (UERJ), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Visiting Professor, School of Law.

May – June 2013

- Teaching: Introduction to International Investment Law (20 hours/Summer Session).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

AD HOC ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF PETROLEOS DE VENEZUELA (PDVSA), Houston, Texas, U.S.A.

Board Director appointed by Interim President Juan Guaidó and confirmed by the Venezuelan National Assembly

June 2019 – present

- Advisor in multi-jurisdictional and multi-billion litigation cases and corporate matters related to PDVSA's asset protection.

ENERGY LAW, INTERNATIONAL LAW & ARBITRATION PRACTICE, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.

Transnational Law Expert for Energy Transactions and Arbitration

August 2012 - present

- Expert on Venezuelan Law; International Energy Regulation and Arbitration in Latin America, Europe and Africa.
- Advisor in International Law, human right issues, international criminal law, and public international law for the organizations "Plataforma Democrática de Venezolanos en Madrid", "Un Salvavidas para Venezuela," Madrid, Spain, and CICIVEN, Miami.

DEWEY & LEBOEUF LLP, Paris, France

Foreign Lawyer Intern in the Arbitration Group

April 2008 - June 2008

- Participated in research at different stages of arbitration proceedings preparing briefs and hearings in ICSID and ICC arbitrations, in cases related to direct foreign investments and international construction projects in the oil and gas downstream sector.

MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF VENEZUELA, Caracas, Venezuela

Career Diplomat (Foreign Service Exam 2002)

January 2001 - October 2006

- Advised multilateral affairs related to the Organization of American States (OAS) and the United Nations (UN). Member of the Venezuelan delegations: IV Summit of Presidents of the Americas, México, 2004; XXXIVth General Assembly of the OAS, Quito-Ecuador, 2004; G-15 Summit in Caracas, 2004, XXXIIth General Assembly of the OAS Barbados, 2002.
- Advised international law issues and sovereign boundary issues related to bilateral negotiations with Trinidad, Colombia and Brazil.

VENEZUELAN NATIONAL CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY OF 1999, Caracas, Venezuela

Intern

October – December 1999

- Participated in the compilation of proposals from the civil society to the project of Venezuela Constitution approved in 1999.

UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, Caracas, Venezuela

Teacher Assistant at the International Relations School

September 1998 - January 2000

- Taught courses on Theory of International Relations, four hours a week, assisting a Senior Professor.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITE DE BOURGOGNE, Dijon, France

Doctoral Research Fellow - Center of International Trade and Investment Law (CREDIMI) October 2009 - October 2015
Concentration: International Petroleum Transactions.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON LAW CENTER, Houston, Texas, USA

Master of Laws (LLM) – Certificate in Energy, Environment & Natural Resources May 2011

UNIVERSITÉ PANTHEON-ASSAS PARIS II (Membre associé de Sorbonne Universités), Paris, France

Litigation, Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution September 2008
Dissertation: “The Effectiveness of Dispute Adjudication Boards on FIDIC Construction Contracts”

UNIVERSITÉ PANTHEON-ASSAS PARIS II (Membre associé de Sorbonne Universités), Paris, France

Diplôme Supérieur d'Université in Business Law and Business Organizations September 2007

UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, Caracas, Venezuela

Degree in Law (Attorney at Law) November 2004

UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, Caracas, Venezuela

B.A. in International Relations April 2000

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Course in Upstream Oil and Gas Contracts. Rocky Mountain Mineral Law Foundation, Houston, 2009.
- Contrats internationaux de construction de la Fédération Internationale des Ingénieurs-Conseils (FIDIC), Paris, 2009.
- Le cadre normatif des contrats de recherche et production pétrolière, Institut Français du Pétrole, Rueil-Malmaison, 2009.
- Négotiation de contrats d'exploration-production, Institut Français du Pétrole, Rueil-Malmaison, 2009.
- Summer Course in Public and Private International Law, The Hague Academy of International Law, 2006.
- Introducción al Mercado de Capitales en Venezuela, Universidad Metropolitana, CENDECO, Caracas, 2006.
- Diploma en Relaciones Internacionales y Derecho Internacional Público, Escuela Complutense de Verano, Madrid, 2005.

RESEARCH POSITIONS

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, Law Center, Houston, Texas

Coordinator, Inter-American Hydrocarbons Regulators Dialogue August 2016 - present

- Coordination Biennial Conference (2016 and 2018) with the participation hydrocarbon regulators from the Brazilian National Petroleum Agency (ANP); the National Hydrocarbons Agency of Colombia (ANH); the National Hydrocarbons Commission of México (CNH); the Mexican Environment, Security Agency (ASEA); Energy Regulatory Commission (CRE); the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE); the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC); and the Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries of Trinidad & Tobago (MEEI). The program also includes the participation of Universities from México, Colombia, Trinidad and Tobago, and the United States; and O&G companies such as Ecopetrol, and Industry Organizations, such as the International Association of Drilling Contractors (IADC).
- Coordination of more than 22 Speaker Series Talks in Houston, México City, Monterrey, and Bogotá, with the participation of International guest speakers including the Minister of Hydrocarbons of Ecuador; Representatives from the International Energy Agency (IEA); and international scholars from Spain, Brazil, Nigeria, Colombia, México, Venezuela, and the United States.
- Coordination of an Energy Visiting Scholars Program with the participation of Magda Chambriard, former President of the Brazilian National Petroleum Agency (ANP) and Yvonne Fabara, former Secretary of Hydrocarbons of Ecuador.
- Coordination of publications related to oil and gas legal issues in Latin America.
- Website: <http://www.law.uh.edu/cenrcenter/Inter-American-Hydrocarbons-Regulators-Dialogue.asp>

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, Law Center, Houston, Texas

Visiting Scholar at the Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Center January – May 2010

- Research on bid rounds of heavy crude projects in Venezuela in the light of international investment law.
- Research related to best practices in the petroleum industry and international.

UNIVERSITE DE BOURGOGNE, Dijon, France

Doctoral Fellow at the Center of International Trade and Investment Law October 2009 – 2015

- Responsible for legal research on oil and gas investment contracts in a program for the French National Center for Scientific Research
- Liaison Member of the CREDIMI for the Extractive Industries Source Book (www.eisourcebook.org), in partnership with the Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy (CEPMLP) of the University of Dundee and the World Bank.

RESEARCH AND SCHOLARY PROJECTS

- Coordinator of the First and Second University of Houston International Environmental and Energy Law Summer Program for undergraduate students of the Escuela de Derecho de la Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León, at the University of Houston Law Center, 2019 and 2022.
- Project Investigator for the University of Houston Bilingual Report (English/French) on the 2018 Draft Hydrocarbons Code of Gabon. Contributed to secure a \$174,000 grant for the performance of this project and the report presentation before the Ministry of Hydrocarbons of Gabon in Libreville, Gabon, September 25, 2018.
- Amicus in the Amicus Curiae Brief in the case of ARGENTINE REPUBLIC v. PETERSEN ENERGÍA INVERSORA S.A.U. before the United States Supreme Court, December 3, 2018.
- Master Thesis Supervisor:
 - Transnational Investment Arbitration, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Alexandre Medsan, 2017-2019 (Co-supervisor).
 - The New Fetish of Brazilian Nationalism: The Pre-salt and Petrobras' Offshore Prerogatives, by Cristiano Franco Berbert, University of Houston Law Center, 2018 (Co-supervisor).
 - The Debate on Investor – State Dispute Settlement System Between Brazil and the U.S. by LLM. Roberta Ferrarotto, University of Houston Law Center, 2016 (Supervisor).
- Coaching the University of Houston Law Center JD and LLM International Investment Arbitration Moot Competition Teams in Spanish and English. The JD Investment Arbitration Team became the first-finalist of the 2018 Edition and Semi-Finalist in the 2019 Edition, competing at American University, Washington D.C., 2018 and University of Externado, Bogota, Colombia, 2019. The LLM Team became Quarter Finalist in the English Investment Arbitration Competition at American University, Washington D.C, 2018.
- Mentoring Brazilian Scholars at the EENR Center from the University of the State of Rio de Janeiro, and the Brazilian National Petroleum Agency (ANP) (2013-2019).
- Transnational Petroleum Law Institute, Paris. Transnational Law and Arbitration in the Oil and Gas Sector, www.lexpetrolea.org.
- *Groupe de Beaune*. Beaune, France. Group for the study of transnational law and the *lex mercatoria*.

PUBLICATIONS

- Book Chapter: "Colombia – PSA Principles in Oil Contracts." In the book "Production Sharing Agreements: A Global Legal Handbook". Globe Law and Business, Editor Flavio G. Inocencio, London, 2021.
- Book Review: International Arbitration in Latin America: Energy and Natural Resources Disputes. Institute for Transnational Arbitration, 2021.
- Article: "The Expansive and Biding Forces of the Oil and Gas Industry Best Practices," presented during the Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) International Heavy Oil Conference and Exhibition. American University of the Middle East (AUM) Kuwait City, Kuwait, December 10-12, 2018.
- Book Chapter: "Mecanismos de Solución de Controversias en Circunstancias Críticas de Precio en la Industria del Petróleo y del Gas," at *Transacciones Petroleras Internacionales en America Latina*, Ed. Tirant lo blanch, 2nd Ed. México, April, 2018.
- Book Chapter: "Tendencias Transnacionales en la Reglamentación del Sector de los Hidrocarburos. La Hibridación del Derecho Nacional y el Derecho Transnacional del Petróleo", Vol. 1, University of Externado, Colombia, August, 2017.
- Article: "The new integrated oil service contracts in a Venezuela in dire straits." International Bar Association, Journal of Energy & Natural Resources Law, Oct. 2017.
- Commentary: Third Annual Houston Conference on Oil and Gas Investment Arbitration, (with J. Valencia), Houston Journal of International Law, Vol. 39, No. 2, 2017.
- Book Chapter: "Tendencias Transnacionales en la Reglamentación del Sector de Hidrocarburos. La Hibridación del Derecho Estatal y el Derecho Transnacional del Petróleo." Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León, 2016.
- Reflexiones sobre la Educación y la Práctica del Derecho Transnacional Petrolero. White Paper for the Transnational Petroleum Law Institute, Houston, August, 2015.
- The Era of Petroleum Arbitration Mega Cases, a comment on Occidental Petroleum Corporation v. Ecuador, ICSID award, Special Energy Issue, Houston Journal of International Law, Vol. 35 No.3, 2013.
- Venezuelan Chapter in "Upstream Law and Regulation: A Global Handbook", Ed. Global Law and Business, London, 2013.
- Best Industry Practices and Environmental Regulation for Offshore Petroleum Operations. A Contribution to the Study of the *Lex Petrolea*. Transnational Petroleum Law Institute Series on Transnational Petroleum Law, Vol. 1, N° 2, 2012.
- Commentary: Procedural Order No. 1 Tidewaters v. Venezuela (ARB/10/5) Co-author. Chronicle ICSID, Sébastien Manciaux, *Journal du Droit International-Clunet*, No. 1, Paris, 2012.
- Rebalancing Oil Contracts in Venezuela. Special Energy Issue, Houston Journal of International Law, Vol. 33 No. 2, Houston, 2011.
- Polarization of Mass Media and the Role of the Head of State. *Revue Visages d'Amérique Latine*. Sciences Po, Paris, 2008.

OPINION PIECES

- The State of International Offshore Regulation A Decade After The Deepwater Horizon, Forbes, April 21, 2020.
- Trump, Tillerson, México y Compañías Petroleras, Energía a Debate, February 16, 2017.
- Trump, Tillerson, NAFTA, México and Oil Companies, Forbes, January 17, 2017.
- Colombia ante la falta de acuerdo en Doha, Revista Colombia Energía, Ed. No. 14, June, 2016.
- Venezuela: the challenge to attract private investment, Global Americas, February 25, 2016.
- A la Caza del Voto Hispano, Spanish Journal, La Razón, Madrid, February 29, 2016.
- Reconstrucción Nacional. Spanish Journal, La Razón, Madrid, January 31, 2016.

COOPERATION WITH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES & SPEAKER PRESENTATIONS

Involved in cooperation projects with government agencies and lectures delivered to oil and gas companies and universities in 16 countries including the U.S., Canada, France, Scotland, the Netherlands, Germany, México, Brazil, Cuba, Gabon, Kuwait, Costa Rica, Trinidad & Tobago, Ecuador, Colombia, and Venezuela. Topics: 1) National and International Law for the promotion of foreign investment in the oil and gas sector; 2) Investment and Commercial Arbitration related to the oil and gas industry; 3) Onshore and Offshore Industry Best Practices on Risk allocation, Environmental and Social Issues; and 4) International Transportation Law and Supply Chain in the Oil Sector.

- Country Representative for the “*Institut International de Mediation, d’Arbitrage et de Conciliation de Gabon*” in the U.S.A. for the promotion of international arbitration in the energy sector in Gabon. Since, April 28, 2022.
- Cooperation with the Ministry of Hydrocarbons of Gabon in the launching of the 2021 Oil and Gas Bid round, June 28, 2021.
- Participant in Working Group on Venezuelan Law Issues for the Commercial Law Development Program of the U.S. Department of Commerce, May 3, 2021.
- Testimony during a congressional hearing at the Venezuelan National Assembly discussing a “New Venezuelan Hydrocarbons Law,” October 13, 2020.
- Conference: “Identification and Implementation of Oil and Gas Best Industry Practices,” at the Asean Council on Petroleum Consultation (ASCOPE – Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam), sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Energy Resources and implemented by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Commercial Law Development Program, Houston, July 25, 2019.
- Contributor with comments to a draft regulation related to Offshore Oil and Gas Operations for the VicePresidencia de Operaciones y Regalías of the Colombian National Hydrocarbons Agency (ANH), submitted to the Ministerio de Minas y Energía de Colombia, March 22, 2019.
- Presentation: The U.S. and International Regulation of Shale Oil and Gas. Presentation for the Governor of the Atlántico Department of Colombia and Ecopetrol, organized by the Colombian Texas Chamber of Commerce, Houston, November 11, 2018.
- Conference: The Identification and Implementation of Oil and Gas International Industry Best Practices. Ministry of Energy and Energy Industries of Trinidad & Tobago, Port Spain, October 5, 2018.
- Presentation: University of Houston Report and Comments on the Draft Hydrocarbons Code of Gabon. Ministry of Hydrocarbons of Gabon, Libreville, September 25, 2018.
- Contributor to the Policy Paper “Propuesta para la Recuperación de la Industria Petrolera Venezolana,” published by the Energy and Petroleum Commission of the Venezuelan National Assembly, Caracas, April, 2018.
- Presentation: Oil and Gas Industry Practices and Transnational Petroleum Law. The Graduate Certificate in Global Energy, Development, and Sustainability (GEDS), delivered to government officials of the Albanian Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and Albpetrol, Houston, June, 2017.
- Contributor with comments related to the Draft Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Model Contract published by the Colombian National Hydrocarbons Agency (ANH) in June 2018. Contributions provided between 2017 and 2018 on issues related to oil and gas industry practices and international arbitration.
- Conference: The Lex Petrolea Offshore – The Oil and Gas Regulation for Offshore Oil and Gas Exploration and Production Activities. Colombian National Hydrocarbons Agency (ANH), Bogotá, April 2017.
- Conference: Investment and Commercial Arbitration in the Oil and Gas Sector, program organized by the University of Houston Law Center and Entra Consulting for government Officials of the Secretary of Hydrocarbons of Ecuador, Quito, October 17, 2014.
- Presentation: “International Commercial Arbitration and Investment Treaty Arbitration,” in a training program organized by ENTRA Consulting to PPI-PEMEX (Mexican NOC), Houston, August 28, 2014.
- Conference “Environmental Law and Investment in the Venezuelan Petroleum Sector” in the forum “Bridging the Gap between Investment Law and the Environment,” Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands and the Law School of the University of Utrecht, The Hague, November 6–7, 2013.
- Cooperation training agreement between the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), the U.S. – Mexican Law Center and the EENR Center of UHLC for training to ITAM students, PEMEX executives, government officials from the Mexican Secretary of Energy in México City, November 2013 and November 2014.

ACADEMIC & INDUSTRY PRESENTATIONS

- Panelist: “El Rol del Regulador en la Transición Energética”. Naturgas, Bogotá Colombia. May 5, 2022.
- Panelist: "U.S. Sanctions on Russian Imports: The Impact on the U.S. Economy and the Potential Options to Maintain the Global Energy Supply". Houston Bar Association, April 21, 2022.
- Panelist: “*Investment Incentives in the Energy Sector and Arbitration in Angola*”. Luanda Oil & Gas and Renewable Energy Conferece. Luanda, Angola, October 28th, 2021.
- Presentation: “Global Reach of the University of Houston EENR Center”, to delegates of the Parliament of Kenya. April 21, 2022.
- Panelist: “Energy Implications of Russia's Ukrainian Invasion”, 4th Annual University of Houston Law Center Denney L. Wright International Energy Tax Conference and the 22nd Annual Houston Business and Tax Law Journal Symposium. March 25, 2022
- Panelist: "Actualidad y geopolítica del gas natural. El conflicto ruso-ucraniano", Universidad Externado de Colombia. April 24th, 2022.
- Conference: “*U.S. Foreign Policy, Energy and Latin America.*” World Affairs Council of Greater Houston. October 19th, 2021.
- Conference: “*Energy Transition in Latin America – Legal Matters.*”. White & Case, Houston, and DC Offices. September 21, 2021.
- Panelist: “The 2019 Reform of Gabon’s Hydrocarbons Code”, at the conference “Oil and Gas Investments in Gabon” with the Gabonese Oil and Gas Minister, Hon. Vincent de Paul Massassa. University of Houston, June 28th, 2021.
- Conference: “Review of investing in the Venezuelan Oil Industry” at “The European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers and The Venezuelan American Petroleum Association (EAGE/VAPA) Forum 2021. Event: “*Venezuela’s Upstream to Downstream -Past, Present and Future*”, June 3rd and 4th 2021.
- Workshop: “The Venezuelan Oil and Gas Industry” alongside with Dr. Francisco Monaldi from the Baker Institute-Rice University, at the conference Plan País, December 10, 2020.
- Panelist: "Non-Conventional Hydrocarbons Resources in Colombia", organized by the Universidad Externado de Colombia, December 3, 2020.
- Conference "What’s Next for COVID-19 and Oil and Gas Geopolitics?". World Affairs Council of Houston, August 20, 2020.
- Panelist: Conference "Investment and Commercial Arbitration in the Energy Sector in Latin America", alongside with Alexis Mourre, President of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Catherine Kettlewell, Counsel at the World Bank International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), David Enriquez, Francisco González de Cossío, and Prof. Jorge Cerdio from ITAM, hosted by the ITAM University in Mexico. July 16, 2020.
- Conference "Oil and Gas Industry Practices in the times of Covid-19", PetroAngola, Luanda, Angola, May 25, 2020
- Panelist: “Gabon’s Hydrocarbons Investments Outlook”, at the conference “Oil and Gas Investments in Gabon” with the Gabonese Oil and Gas Minister, Hon. Vincent de Paul Massassa. University of Houston, February 25th, 2020.
- Panelist: “International Trade and Investment Treaties. From NAFTA to the USMCA.” Third North American Energy Conference, Houston, April 25-26, 2019.
- Panelist: “Climate Change, Transnational Litigation and Investment Arbitration,” at the Transatlantic Legal Conference 2019, Institute for Law and Finance Theodor-W.-Adorno-Platz, Goethe Universität, Frankfurt, Germany, April 5, 2019.
- Panelist: "Risk Management and Investments Protection - A Due Diligence Approach in the Case of Venezuela," University of Houston, Friday, March 29, 2019.
- Moderator: “The First 100 Days of AMLOs Administration and the Energy Sector,” organized by Talanza, and co-sponsored by the Environment, Energy and Natural Resources Center of the University of Houston and La Asociación de Empresarios Mexicanos (AEM), at The Petroleum Club of Houston, March, 20, 2019.
- Conference: “Global Oil and Gas Law,” The Oil and Gas Society of the Thurgood Marshall School of Law and the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN) Student Chapter at TMS, March 19, 2019.
- Panelist: “US sanctions and the future of doing business in Venezuela,” organized by Norton Rose LLP, and Entra Consulting, Houston, February 21, 2019.
- Panelist: “Lex Petrolea” in “Le Marché et l’Emergence d’un Droit Transnational Economique.” Conferece ”Sources du Droit, Commerce International, Étique et Marchés-50 Ans de Travaux du CREDIMI et de l’Ecole de Dijon.” Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, December, 13-14, 2018.
- Presentation: “The Expansive and Binding Force of Oil and Gas Industry Practices.” Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) International Heavy Oil Conference and Exhibition. American University of the Middle East (AUM) Kuwait City, Kuwait, December 10-12, 2018.
- Panelist: Africa’s Energy Outlook. Overview of Gabon’s O&G issues. University of Houston, November 13, 2018.

ACADEMIC & INDUSTRY PRESENTATIONS

- Panelist: Identification and Application of Oil and Gas Best Industry Practices. Caribbean Energy Policy, Societies, and Law Conference. University of West Indies (UWI), Port Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, October 4, 2018.
- Panelist: L'Application de la *Lex Extractiva* par l'arbitre, le judge national et le judge international. International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), Paris, France, September 28, 2018.
- Panelist: Latin American Presidential Overview. International Law Section of the Houston Bar Association. Houston, Sept. 12, 2018.
- Panelist: "Los Retos de la Regulación Transnacional de las Prácticas de la Industria del Petróleo y del Gas. First Conference of the Asociación Iberoamericana de Regulación de Energía, Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León, Monterrey, September 6, 2018.
- Workshop: Introduction to Oil and Gas Law and International Transportation Law, GEODIS, Guadalajara, México, May 28, 2018.
- Panelist: Second North-American Energy Conference. Presentation "Cross-border Gas Regulation between the U.S. and México." Houston, May 3, 2018.
- Panelist: Second Inter-American Hydrocarbons Regulators Conference. Presentation "The Biding Force of Oil and Gas Industry Practices in International Arbitration. Houston, April 26, 2018.
- Panelist: 5th ITA-IEL-ICC: "Mexican Energy Disputes - A New Era." International Energy Arbitration, Houston, Jan. 18, 2018.
- Panelist: International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), México Chapter, Conference "Arbitraje en el Sector de Petróleo y Gas en México." México City, November 28, 2017.
- Conference: "The Implications of Trump's Energy Policy to Latin America," Association of International Petroleum Negotiators, Latin America Chapter, Bogotá, Colombia, June 14, 2017.
- Presentation: Transnational Legal Orders and Investment Law. First Investment Law Arbitration Seminar, San José, Costa Rica, July, 28-29, 2016.
- Conference: Introduction to a New Petroleum and Energy World Order. Association of International Petroleum Negotiators, Latin America Chapter, Bogotá, Colombia, April 20, 2016.
- Presentation: "Les règles Transnationales de l'Industrie du Pétrole". Université Paris Sud -Paris XI, Paris, March 9, 2016
- Conference: The use of Wikileaks cables in the Yukos v. Russia Arbitration case, Oil and Gas Arbitration Conference, ITA Law, January 19, 2016.
- Conference: Tendencias Transnacionales en la Reglamentación del Sector de Hidrocarburos. La Hibridación del Derecho Estatal y el Derecho Transnacional del Petróleo. X Congreso Iberoamericano de Regulación "Los Retos de Implementación de las Reformas Estructurales en Sectores Estratégicos", Monterrey, November 5, 2016.
- Conference: Legal Regime of Oil Investments in Venezuela. Plan País, Conference of Venezuelan Leaders in the U.S., April, 10, 2015.
- Presentation: "Les règles Transnationales de l'Industrie du Pétrole". Université Paris Sud -Paris XI, Paris, March 10, 2015.
- Conference: The Geopolitics of Oil and the Venezuelan Economic Crisis. World Affair Council of Houston, January 26, 2015.
- Visiting Professor: Course Transnational Petroleum Law in Latin America, Universidad de Nuevo León, Monterrey, México, December 1-10, 2014.
- Lecture: Investment and Commercial Arbitration in the Oil and Gas Sector. ITAM, México City, México, December 4, 2014
- Webinar: Venezuela petroleum investments and arbitration. Washburn Oil and Gas Law Center, December 4, 2014.
- Co-Chair. Conference: Oil and Gas Investment Arbitration. University of Houston Law Center, October 31, 2014.
- Panelist: El Nuevo Orden Mundial de las Relaciones Económicas a la luz de la Jurisprudencia Arbitral, Grupo Latinoamericano de Arbitraje de la CCI, Sponsored by the ICC and the *Groupe de Beaune*, Beaune, Bourgogne, France, September 27, 2014
- Conference: "Transnational Petroleum Law and Arbitration", Transnational Petroleum Law Institute. Caracas, April 28, 2014
- Panelist, The Occidental v. Ecuador Case, 8th Annual Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference, Washington D.C. March 28, 2014
- Presentation: "Transnational Sources of Law and Legal Order in the Petroleum Industry", NACLE Workshop 2014. University of British Columbia Vancouver, March 14, 2014.
- Presentation: "Les règles Transnationales de l'Industrie du Pétrole". Sciences Po, Paris, March 12, 2014.
- Presentation: "Les règles Transnationales de l'Industrie du Pétrole". Université Paris Sud -Paris XI, Paris, March 9, 2014.
- Panelist, International Arbitration from the Arbitrator's perspective. International Law Section, Houston Bar Assoc. March 5, 2014
- Workshop: "International Investment Law and the Petroleum Sector." Weatherford International, Houston, December 6, 2013
- Workshop: "Transnational Petroleum Law", EENR Center, UHLC, November 15, 2013.
- Presentation: "Panorama de Derecho de Inversión para el Sector Petrolero" in the Conference "Preparándonos para la Reforma Energética: Consideraciones y Experiencia Internacional" organized by the ITAM, México, D.F. October 3, 2013.
- Conference: "Non-State Law in Petroleum Investment Arbitration", Brazilian Petroleum Institute (IBP), Rio de Janeiro, June 6, 2013.
- Conference: "Tools for Research in Oil and Gas Law", UERJ School of Law, Rio de Janeiro, June 4, 2013.
- Panel Moderator in Colombia Offshore on Best Practices in Offshore Petroleum Operations. Colombia – Texas Chamber of Commerce, Houston, May 6, 2013.
- Conference: "Best Industry Practices and Environmental Regulation for Offshore Petroleum Operations. A Contribution to the Study of the *Lex Petrolea*", Transnational Petroleum Law Luncheon, University of Houston Law Center, Houston, April 24, 2013.

ACADEMIC & INDUSTRY PRESENTATIONS

- Conference : “*Règles anationales en arbitrage pétrolier*” in “*Colloque : Les règles transnationales dans l’arbitrage d’investissement*”, organized by the *Association des étudiants et diplômés de l’Institut des hautes études internationales(AIHEI) de l’Université Panthéon-Assas, Paris II*, at Shearman & Stearling - Paris, April 13, 2013.
- Presentation:“Investment protection for oil companies during ongoing armed conflict”. Guest speaker “H2Oil Research Seminars at the Centre for Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy (CEPMLP) of the University of Dundee, Scotland, June 15th, 2012.
- Presentation: “Environmental Regulation and Industry Practices for Offshore Petroleum Operations - A Contribution to the Study of the *Lex Petrolea*”, International Law Conference - Sciences Po Law School - Paris - March 28th and 29th, 2012.
- Presentation: “Applicable Law to Petroleum Contracts”. Conference “Contractual and Safety Best Practices in Petroleum Operations”. First United States -Cuban Academic exchange on Energy Law sponsored by the French Association of French and Latin-American Legal Scholars Andres Bello with the participation of UH Law Center. Havana, Cuba, 29th and 30th November 2011.
- 7th Cornell Inter-University Law Conference, “Rebalancing Oil Contracts in Venezuela”. Ithaca, NY, USA, April 2, 2011.

MEDIA APPEARANCES AND MENTIONS

Since 2019, Professor Cardenas has been included in the list of the University of Houston Faculty Experts on International Oil and Gas Law and Latin American issues: <http://www.uh.edu/news-events/experts/>

- Mention: "UH Law Center Conference Addresses Energy Implications of Russia's Ukrainian Invasion", April 30, 2022.
- Mention: "Oil price forecast April 2022 and beyond: Will prices test \$140?", Capital.com. March 30, 2022.
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BAR ADMISSION

Admitted to practice in Venezuela, 2006

RECOGNITIONS

- President's Certificate of Merit, as a Board Member at the Ad Hoc Board of Directors of Petróleos de Venezuela (PDVSA), for serving in the protection of the national oil company assets abroad. Interim President of Venezuela, Juan Guaidó, November 12, 2021.
- “Luis Castro Leiva” Research Prize 2009, awarded by the Sorbonne Université Paris III and the French Embassy in Venezuela. Research on Petroleum Investments in Venezuela, particularly in heavy crude oil projects in the Orinoco Oil Belt.
- PhD Scholarship, French Ministry of Higher Education and Research, October 2008.
- Five Year Service Recognition. Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Venezuela, 2006.

MEMBERSHIPS

- Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN) ▪ Institute for the Energy Law ▪ Dispute Resolution Board Foundation
- Transnational Petroleum Law Institute (Co-Director) ▪ Andres Bello Association of French and Latin-American Legal Scholars ▪ Latin American Energy Roundtable (LAER) at Rice University’s Baker Institute ▪ *Groupe de Beaune Member of the Steering Committee.*

LANGUAGES

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), French (Fluent), Knowledge in Portuguese.

OTHER SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Violinist: Texas Medical Center Symphony Orchestra (Houston, 2012-present); Paris University Symphony Orchestra (Paris, 2006-2009) and *Gran Mariscal de Ayacucho* Symphony Orchestra (Caracas, 2000-2002). Performed at Carnegie Hall, the Berliner Philharmonie, the Sorbonne Grand Amphitheatre, The Miller Outdoor Theater in Houston, the Teresa Carreño Theater in Caracas, among other venues.
- In December 11, 2021, Julian Cardenas recorded live as solo violinist Antonio Vivaldi’s “The Four Seasons” concerts with the accompaniment of The Village Chamber Orchestra in Houston, Texas.
- Violinist at the Professional Amateur Violin Diploma at Pro-Violin Institute, Frankfurt, Germany, since April 2021.
- Guitar and Bass player: rock, funk and blues. Played six *Fête de la Musique* in Paris every year on June 21st, since 2008 until 2014.
- Olive oil producer affiliated to the Cooperative “Virgen del Rosario”, Chinchón, Spain: www.olivardecardenas.com