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Robert Porubský Managing Associate

Robert Porubský specialises in energy law; corporate law encompassing international and domestic acquisitions of companies, including sales of businesses; and in dispute resolution before civil courts as well as arbitration proceedings, including investment protection.

In energy law, Robert has wide-ranging experience in representing clients and providing legal advice to foreign investors, including on renewable energy resources, and for big corporate clients who run their operations in the Czech Republic. In acquisitions and sales, he has participated in and led numerous transactions in various industries on the seller's and the buyer's side. As for dispute resolution before courts and arbitration proceedings, he has advised many significant Czech and international companies and entrepreneurs in the areas of, among other things, the energy industry, heavy and light industry,

and information technology.

Before joining our law firm, Robert worked for a leading international law firm for almost eight years and was a senior lawyer at a significant multinational company.

Transactions

- Advising many foreign and domestic investors from the energy sector on areas including the construction and designing of power plants, and representing these investors before Czech courts and public authorities
- Advising foreign investors from the energy sector in relation to the international protection of their investments before an international arbitration tribunal, including entitlements exceeding CZK 3 billion
- Advising a significant multinational energy company in relation to the process of unbundling and legal representation of the company before Czech courts in disputes arising from the process, including a squeeze out
- Advising foreign investors from the energy sector in relation to the recycling of solar panels
- Advising an industrial company and legal representation of the company before an international arbitration court in a dispute over importing industrial commodities
- Representing clients before the Supreme Court and the Constitutional Court of the Czech Republic, including disputes with an international dimension and significance (i.e. the duty of courts of EU Member States to refer to the Court of Justice of the European Union for a preliminary ruling concerning the regulation on jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters Brussels I)
- Advising a multinational group of companies on the acquisition of an industrial giant in the value of ca. USD 1 billion
- Advising a foreign client on the acquisition of a multinational industrial concern worth approximately USD 400 million
- Advising a significant IT company during an international acquisition and construction of a unique training arena for cybersecurity, including the acquisition of the related intellectual property rights and licences for the whole of Europe
- Advising a significant IT company during a sale of part of a business to a significant multinational group of companies, including the acquisition of the related intellectual property rights and licences
- Advising shareholders and legal representation of them in shareholder disputes exceeding CZK 50 million
- Advising and representing clients during acquisitions, acting for both sellers and buyers, due diligence and securing the funding of companies

Membership in professional associations

- Czech Bar Association
- Young ICCA (International Council for Commercial Arbitration)

Languages

Czech, Slovak, English, German

Education

Charles University, Faculty of Law, Prague (2008), Mgr. (Master of Laws) Heidelberg University, Faculty of Law, Heidelberg (2010), LL.M.

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Publications

• Exact boundary between indirect expropriation and legitimate state measures, Czech Yearbook of International Law - Edition 2017;

• Importance of the Seat of Arbitration in the European Context, Czech Yearbook of International Law – International Dispute Resolution 2016;

• 18th. Wiener Juristengespräche - Investment Protection and Investment Arbitration, February 13-14, 2015, Vienna;

- Importance of the seat of arbitration (Důležitost místa rozhodčího řízení), Právní rádce 11-2014, p. 54-55;
- What about compensation of future damages (Co s náhradou budoucí škody)?, Lidové noviny, 13 October 2014;

• Does the solar panels' recycling violate the EU law (Je recyklace solárních panelů v rozporu s právem EU?) Právo&Byznys 12/2013;

• Protection of the good faith in the case law of the Czech Constitutional Court II., (Ochrana dobré víry jednotlivce v kontextu judikatury Ústavního soudu II. epravo), 8 November 2013;

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• Public law contracts (Veřejnoprávní smlouvy), Stavitel 09/2013.

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