

DIEGO RAMÍREZ M. PARTNER

Diego advised Credit Suisse on the structuring of the largest blue bond issue in history, in support of marine conservation and natural capital of the Galapagos Islands; the transaction also involves significant benefits in public debt reduction for the Republic of Ecuador.

Diego has a broad international perspective, forged in his academic training and extensive professional experience as a diplomat and lawyer. After obtaining his law degree an JD, he trained at the Diplomatic Academy and then pursued postgraduate studies in the United States. A member of the Foreign Service for almost 20 years, he served in the Embassies in Bogotá and Washington as well as in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Quito, and also held positions of trust in the Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade, Competitiveness, Integration and Fisheries. He was involved in the negotiations for the Free Trade Area of the Americas, and later for the Free Trade Agreement with the United States of America.



In private practice he has advised international clients (from the United States, Europe, Latin America, China and Japan) as well as local companies, in countless commercial and financial transactions for a combined amount in excess of USD 20 billion (including the largest debt-for-nature swap to date, the first issue of a Sovereign Social Bond, and other complex financing structures, meriting international recognition by prestigious international rankings. His practice extends to foreign investment, international arbitration, antitrust, banking & finance and telecommunications.

Recognitions

- **Leading Individual**, The Legal 500
- **Highly Regarded**, IFLR
- **Latin America, Global Guides**, Chambers & Partners

Professional Experience

- **Professor of Private International Law,** Universidad de las Américas (UDLA). 2022 / Actualidad
- **Partner,** BUSTAMANTE FABARA S.A.S. 2021 /Actualidad
- **Partner,** FABARA & COMPAÑÍA ABOGADOS C.L. 2005 / 2021
- **Undersecretary,** Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade and Competitiveness (MICIP). 2004 / 2005
- **Senior Advisor,** MICIP 2003 /2004
- **Chief of Staff,** to the Minister of Foreign Affairs 2002
- **Economic and Commercial Attaché,** Embassy of Ecuador, Washington, DC – USA. 1997 / 2001
- **Ministry of Foreign Affairs** 1986 / 1996

Education

- **Master in International Public Policy:** (trade, finance) at Johns Hopkins University, Paul Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS), Washington.
- **Foreign Service and International Relations Program:** Antonio J. Quevedo Diplomatic Academy, Quito.
- **Doctor of Jurisprudence:** Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador, Quito.

Languages

- English (fluent)
- French (intermediate)
- German (basic)

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