



Martje is a partner in De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek's International Arbitration & Litigation practice. She is widely known for her expertise in commercial arbitration and complex cross-border litigation, notably in the field of energy, where she advises clients on critical strategic matters and has represented these companies in a range of arbitrations and court cases.

She has 15 years of experience in the oil and gas industry. This includes in-house experience gathered during a secondment to Shell's litigation department in Houston and her role as litigator at the Houston office of Haynes & Boone. Clients value Martje as an accomplished practitioner who can advise on both legal and economic issues in highly complex disputes. She also manages highly political and sensitive disputes and negotiations, managing numerous stakeholders and interests.

Martje's expertise also includes disputes related to joint ventures and collaboration agreements, and issues related to recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and annulment of arbitral awards as well as related attachment proceedings.

As a member of the ICC International Court of Arbitration (ICC), Martje actively participates in the Court's judicial supervision of ICC arbitrations, including the appointment of arbitrators, decisions on challenges against arbitrators, and the scrutiny and approval of ICC arbitral awards. In addition, Martje is an executive board member of the Dutch Arbitration Association and included in the Netherlands Arbitration Institute (NAI) and the Shanghai Arbitration Commission's (SAC) panels of arbitrators.

Martje has been included in GAR's latest edition of its '*45 under 45*' – a guide to the leading younger practitioners in international arbitration.

Martje's recent work includes advising and representing:

- an international energy company in various gas price review arbitrations under long-term gas sales agreements under the ICC and UNCITRAL rules in English and German;
- an international energy company in three ICC arbitrations under New York law arising out of long-term LNG purchase contracts;
- energy companies in a variety of arbitration and litigation matters related to the accelerated shut-in of and damage claims in relation to the Groningen gas field;
- a commercial airport in legal proceedings on a large construction project;
- Shell before the Dutch courts in a case under Nigerian law brought by four Nigerian farmers and environmental organisation Milieudefensie related to oil spills in Nigeria, and the successful mediation between the parties.