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**SECTORS:** Energy, Mining and Commodities, Oil and Gas, Power

SERVICES: Real Estate Disputes, Construction, Hotels and Hospitality, Dispute Resolution,

Employment, Real Estate

### BIO

### ELVEZIO IS A PARTNER IN THE DISPUTE RESOLUTION GROUP.

Elvezio specialises in national and international arbitration and litigation cases relating to the energy and infrastructure sectors, as well as project work, financial litigation (including credit card disputes) and environmental, administrative, real estate and employment cases.

He is also experienced in the management of international third-party litigation and arbitration. Furthermore, his expertise covers litigation and advisory work in the area of labour law.

Elvezio is authorised to represent clients before key international arbitration chambers (ICC, CAM, ICSID and TC) as well the Italian Courts (First Instance Courts, Court of Appeal, High Court, TAR and Supreme Administrative Court) and is also an arbitrator of the National and International Chamber of Arbitration of Milan.

In 2024, Legalcommunity recognised him as "Lawyer of the Year – Arbitration" in Italy during the Energy Awards.

In 2023, Elvezio was ranked "Key Lawyer" in the Energy category by Legal500 EMEA. He was also recognised by Legalcommunity as "Lawyer of the year administrative litigation – Energy" in Italy and in 2022 as "Lawyer of the year: class action".

In 2021, he was ranked in the Litigation and Arbitration guide by TopLegal, in the Commercial/Contractual litigation and International Arbitration categories.

In 2020, Elvezio has been included in the GAR100 Ranking and described as "a very skilled advocate".

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In 2019, Elvezio was named "Lawyer of the Year – Arbitration" at Legalcommunity's prestigious Energy Awards.

In addition to Italian, Elvezio speaks English.

### **EXPERIENCE**

Assisting ACEPER, as representative of 15 photovoltaic operators, before the Lazio Administrative Regional Court ("TAR Lazio") in their claim against the Gestore dei Servizi Energetici – GSE S.p.A., the Italian government body promoting renewable energy and energy efficiency.

Assisting an Italian renewable a player in an ICC arbitration against a major Spanish operator in relation to the breach of a codevelopment agreement.

Assistance to leading Italian companies operating in the large-scale retail and hotel sector, in relation to a transborder complex international financial and banking litigation concerning the violation of the EU anti-trust principles.

Assisting a major Italian renewable energy operator in an ad-hoc arbitration against a developer company in relation to the breach of their development contract.

### **EDUCATION**

 $2002-2003 \cdot \text{LLM}$  in International and Comparative Law, University of San Diego, California, USA

 $2001 \cdot \text{Diploma}$  in US Commercial Law, Academy of American and International Law, Dallas, USA

1998 · Diploma in Business Law, College of Law, London

 $1996\cdot \text{Master}$  in European Studies, with distinction, Istituto Alcide De Gasperi, Rome

 ${\bf 1995 \cdot Law\ Degree\ Department\ of\ International\ Law,}$  University of Rome

# MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Qualified as Italian Lawyer

Arbitrator at the National and International Chamber of Arbitration of Milan ("CAM")

Qualified to practice in the Italian Supreme Court

Academy of America and International law, Dallas, US

European Lawyers Association. London, UK

# **INSIGHTS**

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#### **PRESS**

# WFW ADVISES HIVE AND SUNLEONARD ON PV PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH GREENIT

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-hive-and-sunleonard-on-pv-project-development-agreement-with-greenit/

#### **PRESS**

# WFW ADVISES ON DEVELOPMENT AND PURCHASE OF 82 MW SICILIAN AGRIVOLTAIC PLANT

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-on-development-and-purchase-of-82-mw-sicilian-agrivoltaic-plant/

#### **ARTICLE**

# "DECRETO SOSTEGNI-TER": EXTRAORDINARY BURDEN ON RENEWABLE OPERATORS

www.wfw.com/articles/decreto-sostegni-ter-extraordinary-burden-on-renewable-operators/

#### **ARTICLE**

#### **DECRETO RILANCIO - WORKPLACE SAFETY FORECASTS**

www.wfw.com/articles/decreto-rilancio-workplace-safety-forecasts/

#### **PRESS**

# WFW ITALY IN "BEST CORPORATE LAWYERS AND LAW FIRMS IN ITALY 2020" GUIDE

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-italy-in-best-corporate-lawyers-and-law-firms-in-italy-2020-guide/