



Post-Award Measures

Pursuing and enforcing arbitral awards in Germany

“It’s not over till it’s over”

Prevailing in international arbitration proceedings is the first and most important step to resolve a dispute. But an award is of no economic value unless and until it can be enforced in the relevant jurisdictions, and, more importantly, the amounts due under the award are settled or an unlawfully issued award is set aside.

In our arbitration practice group, we advise domestic and international clients on suitable strategies to put international awards into action – or take action against such awards.

Where necessary, we represent clients in proceedings before German courts, be it to declare an award enforceable or to defend against enforcement, and use our international network to safeguard our clients’ interest in other jurisdictions.

Our expertise includes

- Advice on whether pursuing an award in Germany is economically feasible, e.g. by assessing the debtor’s asset situation;
- Applications to declare (foreign or domestic) awards enforceable in Germany;
- Coordinating proceedings to declare awards enforceable in other jurisdictions, using our international network of local counsel in numerous countries;
- Preparing and implementing enforcement measures in Germany once an award has been declared enforceable;
- Pursuing preliminary measures to prevent asset dissipation by the debtor;
- Defending clients against any such measures, including representation in German set-aside proceedings.



Examples of our practice

EU Member State

Representation in proceedings to declare enforceable a foreign award against German debtors.

South American exporter of fruits

Coordinating enforcement measures in connection with a domestic award in Austria.

Chinese Mining & Metals Company

Representation in state court proceedings aiming at the declaration of enforceability of a CIETAC award.

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