

Effective and Independent Member of the Board of Directors of Neoenergia

He is also a founding partner of Brazuna, Ruschmann and Soriano Sociedade de Advogados (BRATAX), an office specializing in Brazilian domestic and international tax law, primarily operating in São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro.

Personal profile and educational background

Married, father of 2, Cristiano Ruschmann is a lawyer graduated from Law School of University of São Paulo – USP (São Paulo).

Master of Law (LL.M. - Magister Legum) at Albert-Ludwigs-Universität in Freiburg, Germany, with emphasis in international tax law.

He is currently a professor of international tax law in post-graduate courses and member of the Scientific Board of the Brazilian Institute of Tax Law – IBDT (São Paulo). He also teaches the subject on aspects of international tax law in the Tax Management course at Fundação Instituto de Pesquisas Contábeis, Atuariais e Financeiras (Institute of Accounting, Actuarial and Financial Research Foundation) – FIPECAFI (São Paulo).

He speaks Portuguese Spanish, German and English.

Experience in energy sector

In his career as a tax lawyer, he has provided legal advice to different projects of energy generation, transmission and distribution, and participated intensively and actively in the initial phase of the wind power sector in Brazil, mainly alongside equipment suppliers and infrastructure companies.

Experience in other industries

Before founding BRATAX in 2013, he was a partner at Dias Carneiro Advogados, associated with the renowned Spanish law firm Uría Menéndez. In his professional legal practice, he is dedicated to advising multinational groups that are new entrants or already present in the Brazilian market, highlighting, among them, the technology and information, infrastructure and medical-hospital sectors.

Other information

He is a member of Fiscal Council of Instituto Jô Clemente – IJC (São Paulo), a non-profit non-governmental association dedicated to assisting people with intellectual disabilities, as well as of Associação Onçafari (São Paulo), a philanthropic entity focused on scientific and educational activities for environment protection, especially aimed at the conservation of jaguars and maned wolves in different Brazilian ecosystems.

He is recurrently recognized by international corporate law directories, as one of the leading lawyers in the Brazilian tax area, especially due to his intense support to multinationals in investment stage in Brazil, as well as for his long-standing professional relationships in advisory and litigation matters with multinational companies that have been present in the Brazilian market for many years.

