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DIRECTOR

ABOUT

Claudia Meléndez is Director at BLP and ZONE El Salvador, is an expert in Environmental, Occupational Health & Safety, Corporate Law, Labor & Employment, and Global Migration & Relocation. With 20 years of experience, she has advised local and transnational companies on corporate and commercial aspects. She specializes in immigration applications before the General Directorate of Immigration and Immigration, as well as leading environmental departments and due diligence processes with an emphasis on the environmental field for mergers and acquisitions. Claudia has extensive knowledge of permits for renewable energy projects and procedures before public institutions. She is also a lead auditor in environmental compliance and occupational health audits. She joined BLP in 2016.

EXPERIENCE

Cementos Progreso is expanding its presence in Central America. BLP has advised Cementos Progreso Holdings, S.L. on the \$335 million acquisition of assets from Cemex, S.A.B of C.V. in Costa Rica and El Salvador. The acquisition includes a cement plant, a cement mill, various ready-mix concrete plants, an aggregates quarry, and distribution centers in Costa Rica and El Salvador. The transaction bolsters Cementos Progreso's expansion in Central America, consolidating operations in seven countries.

ASSOCIATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

- Asociación de Empresas de Zonas Francas de Costa Rica (AZOFRAS): Miembro del Comité de Asuntos Legales y Fiscales
- Miembro del Comité de Liderazgo de Latinoamérica y Caribe de MERITAS.
- Colegio de Abogados y Abogadas de Costa Rica
- International Bar Association: Miembro

LANGUAGES

- Spanish
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PRACTICE AREAS

- Business Law
- Labor & Employment
- Global Mobility & Relocation
- Environment, Health & Safety

ACCREDITATIONS

Education

- International Postgraduate in Business Law, ISEADE – FEPADE and the ESEADE University Institute, Argentina, 2018
- Integrated Courses of Development of GHG and C-neutrality inventories, Information systems for C-neutrality, Carbon auditors for organizations and Development of GHG and C-neutrality inventories, EARTH University, Costa Rica, 2018
- Certified as Internal Auditor INTE-ISO 14001-2015 in the Environmental Management System, Instituto de Normas Técnicas de Costa Rica (INTECO), Costa Rica, 2016 – 2017
- Certified as Internal Auditor INTE-OHSAS 18001-2009, in Occupational Health and Safety Management System, Instituto de Normas Técnicas de Costa Rica (INTECO), 2016 – 2017
- Certified as Internal Auditor FSCC 22000, in Food Safety, Instituto de Normas Técnicas de Costa Rica (INTECO), 2016 – 2017
- International Postgraduate in Law of Economics and Business, ISEADE – FEPADE and the ESEADE University Institute, Argentina, 2015
- Degree in Legal Sciences, Universidad Doctor José Matías Delgado, El Salvador, 2009