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## Profile

Founding managing partner of Galhardo Vilão Torres Sociedade de Advogados.

## Practice Areas

Financial and securities law, commercial transactions, including buy-outs and venture capital transactions; mergers and acquisitions; corporate law; arbitration; real estate; inheritance law; wealth protection and planning; telecommunications; E-Commerce; aviation law.

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## Academic and Professional Qualifications

- LL.L. (Licentiate in Laws), Faculty of Law, University of Lisbon, 1987.
- LL.M. (Master in Laws), Institute of Air and Space Law, McGill University, Montreal, Canada, 1991.
- Lawyer admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association since 1990.

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## Professional Career

- Founding partner of Galhardo Vilão, Torres – Sociedade de Advogados, 2000 to the present.
- Partner of Oliveira, Martins, Moura, Esteves e Associados - Sociedade de Advogados, a member of Landwell, correspondent law firms of PricewaterhouseCoopers, 1999 - 2000.
- Lawyer at Belarmino Martins & Associados - Sociedade de Advogados, 1997 - 1999.
- Lawyer at Barros, Sobral, G.Gomes & Associados – Sociedade de Advogados, Lisbon, 1992 - 1997.
- On secondment to Clifford Chance, London, 1995.
- Chairperson of the Arbitral Tribunal of the American Chamber of Commerce in Portugal, 1994 - 1996.
- Legal adviser to the Macao Government, 1987 - 1990.

## Authorship

- Air Cabotage: Legal Aspects, Monograph, McGill University, 1991.
  - The Air Carrier's Liability, Exam, Editora Abril, January 1992.
  - Madeira, International Financial Law Review - Special Supplement on Offshore Financial Centres, Euromoney Publications Plc, September 1992.
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- Portugal – Legal Aspects of Securities Lending, International Securities Lending and Repo Directory, Euromoney Publications Plc, 1994.
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- Telecoms Law Review: Portugal, The Tarifica Regulator, Philips Tarifica Ltd, March 1997.
- Electronic Commerce, International Financial Law Review – Special Supplement on Spain and Portugal, Euromoney Publications Plc, January 1999.
- Electronic Commerce – a Legal Perspective, Valor, June 1999.
- Portugal – a New Securities Code, Capital Markets 2000, International Financial Law Review, Euromoney Publications Plc, December 1999.
- The New Securities Code and the Internet, Semanário Económico, 21 March 2000.

## **Teaching Assignments and Official Appointments**

- Teacher of air law at the traffic control school of the Portuguese airport authority, ANA - Aeroportos e Navegação Aérea, 1997 - 1998.
- Secretary-General of the Macao Standing-Council for Social Concert, 1988 - 1990.

## **Professional Affiliations**

- Member of the Portuguese Bar Association.
  - IASLA – Institute of Air and Space Law Association.
  - President of the European Alumnae and Alumni of the Institute of Air and Space Law of McGill University (Montreal), 2008 - 2010.
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