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Catarina is a lawyer in the firm's Tax practice area, with extensive experience in resolving tax disputes and tax litigation - both in the judicial/arbitral and administrative phases - as well as in monitoring tax inspections, representing a significant number of national and multinational companies, as well as individual clients, in all types of taxes.

Before joining MFA, Catarina worked with SRS Legal in the tax practice area, having previously worked for Garrigues Portugal, adding up to more than ten years of professional experience.

Catarina is also a member of CAAD's list of arbitrators (tax arbitration), a collaborator at NOVA's research center - Tax Research Lab, a correspondent for the IBDF - International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation (Netherlands) for Portugal and an author for O Informador Fiscal.

Professional Experience

Catarina has represented large clients in highly complex tax litigation cases, including:

- Representing several insurance companies and banks in corporate income tax, VAT and stamp duty litigation in Portugal
- Representing companies based in the Madeira Free Trade Zone in State aid matters
- Representing companies and individual clients in particularly complex property tax matters
- Advising and representing individual clients ("high-net worth individuals") on various matters

Publications

She is the author of several articles on tax issues and regularly collaborates with various platforms dedicated to this area of expertise, namely Nova Tax Research Lab, O Informador Fiscal and IBFD, with the following recent publications standing out:

- Notes for the reform of the CPPT, O Informador Fiscal, September 2024
- The Elephant in the Room: A Minimum Tax on Billionaires, IBFD, EU Tax Focus, August 2024
- Tax policies on housing - From the tax reforms of the late 20th century to the 'Mais Habitação Program' and the State Budget Law for 2024, Nova Tax Research Series 2nd Edition, August 2024
- The Faurécia ruling and the stamp duty exemption on cash pooling, O Informador fiscal, July 2024
- The role of taxation for the social contract & public governance of tax revenue and the search for a sustainable social state, Nova Tax Research Series 1st Edition, July 2023

Awards and Recommendations

- Recognized by Best Lawyers in 2023
- Shortlisted / Finalist in 40 under Forty in 2022, 2023 and 2024
- Individually recognized by Legal 500 as a *Key Lawyer* in 2023
- Recognized as a team member in the Tax area by the ITR and Leaders League directories

Academic Qualifications

- Law Degree, University of Lisbon Law School (2007-2011)
- Scientific Master's Degree in Tax Law from the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon (2011-2014)
- Completion of the subject Introduction to Accounting I on the Accounting degree course at ISCAL (2015)
- Postgraduate degree in Tax Management from INDEG-ISCTE (2016)
- Advanced Professional Certificate in International Taxation from IBFD (2023-2024)
- Various other courses and training (Digital Taxation at UCP; IDEFF, Abilways, Fundação Getúlio Vargas, CEJ, OA)

Professional Associations

- Admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association.

Other Activities

- Portugal correspondent for IBFD