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## PROFILE

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At **SÉRVULO** since 1999, João Amaral e Almeida is a Partner in the Public Law department. He has been a Lecturer at the Faculty of Law of the Catholic University of Portugal since 1989, and is a doctoral candidate at the same university. He was also a lecturer at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon, from 1988 to 1992. He was a Member of the working group responsible for preparing the Public Contracts Code, by joint order No. 179/2006, of January 27, 2006, of the Minister of Finance and the Minister of Public Works, Transport and Communications. He was a Member of the Lisbon District Council of the Bar Association, from 2002 to 2004. He was aide to the Secretary of State of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers, from 1993 to 1995, and principal legal consultant of the Legal Centre of the Council of Ministers, in 1993. He has been legal consultant to the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations since 1991. He began his professional career as a trainee lawyer at the office of Professor Sérvulo Correia, from 1988 to 1990. He joined the Bar Association in 1991.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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He has broad experience in advising clients on various fields of public law and related areas.

He has particular experience in advising public sector entities on preparing, setting up and monitoring public procurement procedures, including in terms of elaborating multi-criteria models for the evaluation of proposals.

Experience in representing clients in administrative disputes, and especially in pre-contractual disputes.

Intense activity in drafting legal opinions and in acting in arbitrations related to the several fields of public law,

with a special focus on public procurement.

He has experience in preparing draft legislation and regulations.

## PRACTICE AREA

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- Public Law
- Arbitration

## RECOGNITION

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### **Chambers Europe 2021**

Public Law - TIER 3

João Amaral e Almeida is recognised for his experience in public law matters. He assists with the implementation of public health projects, as well as with litigation proceedings concerning public tenders.

### **Chambers Europe 2020**

Public Law - TIER 3

João Amaral e Almeida assists clients with public tenders, public procurement procedures, and concession agreements. He often advises clients in the transport and healthcare sectors.

### **Chambers Europe 2019**

Public Law - TIER 2

João Amaral e Almeida regularly advises on the drafting of regulation and on litigation or arbitration proceedings.

### **Chambers Europe 2018**

Public Law - TIER 2

He is recognised as 'a specialist in procurement', for which clients highlight 'his knowledge of the law.'

### **Chambers Europe 2017**

Public Law - TIER 2

[He is] "very experienced and available, with great knowledge.

### **Chambers Europe 2016**

Public Law - TIER 3

João Amaral e Almeida is well regarded for his knowledge on public procurement and arbitration.

### **Chambers Europe 2015**

Public Law - TIER 2

### **Chambers Europe 2014**

Dispute Resolution - TIER Recommended

Public Law - TIER 2

### **Chambers Global 2014**

Dispute Resolution - TIER Foreign Expert

### **Legal 500 2021**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

Public procurement expert.

### **Legal 500 2020**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

João Amaral e Almeida and Rui Medeiros are some of the best Portuguese lawyers in public law. João Amaral e Almeida is noted for his expertise in public procurement.

### **Legal 500 2019**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

João Amaral e Almeida is a public procurement specialist.

### **Legal 500 2018**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

### **Legal 500 2017**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

### **Legal 500 2016**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

Angola: Foreign Firms - TIER Recommended



**Legal 500 2015**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

**Legal 500 2014**

Public Law - TIER Recommended

**Best Lawyers 2021**

Administrative Law - TIER Recommended

Public Law - TIER Recommended

**Best Lawyers 2020 Global Business Edition**

Administrative Law - TIER Recommended

Public Law - TIER Recommended

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### **Who's Who Legal 2021**

Government Contracts - Iberia National Leaders - TIER Recommended

### **Who's Who Legal 2020**

Government Contracts - TIER Recommended

## **BOOKS AND ACADEMIC ARTICLES**

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### **2016**

Commentaries on the Preliminary Draft of the Revision of the Public Contracts Code (August 2016) - Public Procurement Regime

2016

### **2013**

Public Procurement 2013

2013 | in Public Procurement - an overview of regulation in 37 jurisdictions, 2013, Getting the Deal Through, pp. 191-195

A interpretação da Lei n.º 46/2005 de 29 de agosto - uma questão exclusivamente jurídica

2013 | in Direito Regional e Local, Nº 21, Janeiro/Março 2013, NEDAL, pp. 21-31

### **2012**

Public Procurement 2012

2012 | in Public Procurement - an overview of regulation in 40 jurisdictions, 2012, Getting the Deal Through, pp. 206-210

### **2009**

As medidas excepcionais de contratação pública para os anos de 2009 e 2010 - Breve comentário ao Decreto-Lei n.º 34/2009, de 6 de Fevereiro

2009 | Coimbra Editora, Lisbon

Public Procurement 2009

2009 | in Public Procurement - an overview of regulation in 43 jurisdictions, 2009, Getting the Deal Through, pp. 188-191

## **2008**

### Public Procurement 2008: Portugal

2008 | in Public Procurement - an overview of regulation in 40 jurisdictions, 2008, Getting the Deal Through, pp. 178-181