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Dr Joseph YAV KATSHUNG is Professor of Universities in the DRC and founder of Cabinet **YAV & ASSOCIATES** [www.yavassociates.com]

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With 23 years of experience in legal practice, Dr JOSEPH YAV KATSHUNG is one of the most acclaimed lawyers in the Democratic Republic of Congo [DRC] and has also been much sought after for his arbitration consultancy and advice. He is the Managing Partner and Head of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Practice Group at YAV & ASSOCIATES. He serves as a consultant arbitrator and mediator on matters arising from corporate commercial law, contracts, mining and energy disputes, among other areas.

Outside of his practice, Dr. YAV is a professor of law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lubumbashi in the DRC, where he teaches private international law, enforcement and arbitration law, and is the academic supervisor of the Moot Court Arbitration of the Faculty.

- Dr. YAV is a certified OHADA Arbitrator at The Ouagadougou Arbitration, Mediation and Conciliation Center (CAMC-O) since 2022
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- Member of ICCA Working Group on African Arbitral Practice
- Member of the International Bar Association [IBA] and has followed several training courses and seminars in the field of arbitration.
- Member of the DRC Bar
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- Authorized representative in Industrial Property by the ministry in charge of industry under number: 178/MPI/2010

The teacher. Joseph Yav has received several awards and honors from various professional organizations and bodies and was recently recognized on the **Arbitration Powerlist : Africa 2021**” prepared by **The Legal 500 (Legalease)** which recognizes the most eminent arbitration practitioners in the region. The list includes Professor Joseph Yav along with other distinguished colleagues.

He is the author or co-author of several books and articles in French and English.

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