

# PEDRO SIZA VIEIRA TO JOIN PLMJ

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**Pedro Siza Vieira** has returned to the legal profession and joins PLMJ's group of partners from September to coordinate a multidisciplinary team dedicated to advising companies and the financial sector.

With a career spanning three decades as a lawyer, having led some of the most important operations in the Portuguese economy and having made a decisive contribution to the modernisation of the legal sector, Pedro Siza Vieira joins PLMJ to reinforce its team. He brings an in-depth and unparalleled knowledge of the Portuguese business fabric as well as wide experience in advising Portuguese and international clients on major projects, transactions and arbitration.

**Bruno Ferreira**, PLMJ managing partner: "We are particularly excited about the hiring of Pedro Siza Vieira. Pedro has had a brilliant career in the legal profession, has worked on some of the most structuring projects for the Portuguese economy and enjoys considerable national and international recognition both for his career as a lawyer and for the way in which he has been involved over the last few decades in projects promoting economic development and in particular the Portuguese business fabric. For PLMJ, which in 2018 assumed a very clear positioning of a law firm that stands by the largest national companies and the main investors in projects in our country, having him with us reaffirms and consolidates that vision and will surely represent an accelerator of this mission of ours."

Pedro Siza Vieira: "It was with great enthusiasm that I accepted PLMJ's invitation to join the team as a partner. At PLMJ I found an extremely motivated and top quality team with a vision of our profession and of how we operate in society that is very much in line with my own. In recent years PLMJ has undergone a major transformation in terms of organisation, methods and teams, and having ensured a significant rejuvenation of the team, it has remained at the top of its market. I am very pleased with the prospect of returning to the profession which has been mine for thirty years and which I

interrupted recently and of being able to contribute to better serve national companies and the foreign investors who seek our country".

As a lawyer, Pedro Siza Vieira worked for Morais Leitão, J. Galvão Teles, & Associados (as it was then known), where he was a partner from 1997 onwards. He then founded the Lisbon office of Linklaters, where he was managing partner from 2006 to 2016. Throughout his career, he has served on the board of the Association of Law Firms of Portugal, was Chairman of the Portuguese Arbitration Association, was a member of the Executive Committee of the Mission Structure for the Capitalisation of Companies, was a guest lecturer at the Law School of Universidade Nova de Lisboa and at the Law School of Universidade Católica Portuguesa. Between 2017 and the beginning of 2022 he performed Governmental functions, having been Minister of State, Economy and Digital Transition of the XXII Government of the Portuguese Republic.