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Work Experience

- Merikalla Conflict Resolution Ltd, Arbitrator, Mediator and Dispute Board Member / Board and Advisory Board Member (since 2024)
- Merilampi Attorneys Ltd., CEO and Partner (2019–2024)
- Finland Chamber of Commerce, Director (2016–2019)
- The Arbitration Institute of the Finland Chamber of Commerce (FAI), Secretary General 2(2015-2019)
- Borenius Attorneys Ltd, Specialist Partner (2011–2015), Senior Associate (2006–2011), Associate (2002–2006)
- District Court of Helsinki, Law Clerk (2004-2005)
- European Commission (DG Competition), Stagiaire (2003–2004)

Education

- Admitted to the Finnish Bar, Attorney-at-law (2006–2015, 2019–2024)
- Trained at the Bench, District Court of Helsinki (Finland) (2005)
- Master of Business Administration (MBA), Helsinki School of Economics / Aalto University (Finland) and Ecole National Des Ponts et Chaussées (Paris, France) (2005)
- Master of Laws (LL.M), University of Helsinki (Finland) (2002) 🛛 (Socrates/Erasmus Exchange Program, University of Regensburg Faculty of Law, Germany)

Additional courses

- Certified Board Chair (2023)
- Diploma course for foreign arbitrators, the SCC Arbitration Institute and the Swedish Arbitration Association (2022)
- CEDR Accredited Mediator (2018)
- Certified Board Member (2017)
- Finnish Arbitration Academy, the Finland Chamber of Commerce and the FAI (2014)

Positions of trust

- The Arbitration Institute of the Finland Chamber of Commerce (FAI), Chair of the Board (since 2022)
- Member of the Delegation of the Finland Chamber of Commerce and the Helsinki Region Chamber of Commerce (since 2020)

Membership in professional organizations

- Arbitral Women
- Dispute Resolution Board Foundation
- Finnish Arbitration Association
- International Bar Association
- Swedish Arbitration Association
- Swedish Women in Arbitration Network
- The Association of Industrial Lawyers

Recent recognitions

- Who's Who Legal, Arbitration Global Guide (2024 and 2023): Heidi Merikalla-Teir recommended
- Legal 500 EMEA, Dispute Resolution (2024 and 2023): Heidi Merikalla-Teir leading individual
- Legal 500 Private Practice Powerlist 2024 Arbitration Nordics

Language skills

- Finnish / Native
- Swedish / Proficient (spoken at home)
- English / Proficient German / Good
- French / Basic