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Construction, engineering, technical deliveries, and infrastructure involve contracting, execution, and dispute resolution. Cost, quality, disruption, delay, and acceleration in projects are core issues in Plesner's Construction team's work.

PRACTICE AREAS

Arbitration
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Technical Deliveries

Frants is a partner and co-head of Plesner's Construction team. As lead counsel, Frants and his team assist clients in arbitration, litigation, mediation, commercial settlements, contracting, and ongoing advice during project execution.

He has assisted with major construction projects, including power plants (traditional, biomass, and waste-to-energy), turbines, motorways, airports, metros, bridges, hospitals, and other public buildings, as well as private projects like factories, residential projects, hotels, and retirement homes in Denmark, Greenland, and overseas.

Always with a focus on dispute resolution for the clients, Frants has also served as head of Plesner's Construction team and head of Plesner's Commercial Contracts team. He is currently leading a Plesner project that aims to digitize case hearings.

Frants has a Danish Master's degree in Law, has studied at several universities, and also holds a PhD in law from the European University Institute. He holds admission to the Supreme Court of Denmark and is a member of the experienced litigators' Supreme Court Bar Association. Frants is a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb). He is a certified arbitrator in Denmark and also holds the Danish mediator certification. He has published a range of articles and

books, including "Danelaws on Contracts" and a dissertation on concession contracts.

Large technical deliveries and construction projects involve complex technical, commercial, and legal aspects. These matters necessitate the collaboration of teams with diverse skills. Frants' core work and value lies in the various aspects of teamwork, which involve the integral participation of several teams, including Plesner, the client, and other advisors.

Case News

Biomass Plant - certification issues at Amagervaerket BIO4

Case News

Cement industry - court cases against FLSmidth re. defective deliveries and force majeure

Case News

Copenhagen Metro phases 1-2A - civil works construction arbitration award

Case News

Construction Insurance - construction arbitration award

Case News

Turnkey school project - construction arbitration award

Case News

Shopping and public care center - construction arbitration award

Case News

Waste-to-Energy - Danish arbitration institute award

Case News

Technical equipment - construction arbitration award

Case News

Automotive storage facility – construction arbitration award

Case News

City Hall Construction – construction arbitration award

Case News

International trade – court judgement

Case News

School Construction - construction arbitration award

Case News

Old Age Care JV - construction arbitration award

Case News

Shopping Mall - construction arbitration award

Case News

Odderbanen - construction arbitration award

Case News

Georg Jensen - Danish arbitration institute award

Case News

Jakobsen & Sønner - court litigation

Case News

Osted - construction arbitration award

Case News

Østerbrogade - apartment building construction arbitration award

Case News

Wind turbine gearboxes - Danish arbitration institute award

Case News

Powerplant Nordjylland - Danish arbitration institute award

Case News

Roads in Zambia - Danish arbitration institute award

Case News

Copenhagen Metro M&E works - construction arbitration award

Case News

Skjold Burne - Danish Supreme Court judgment

Case News

Copenhagen Opera - ongoing assistance

Case News

Bodegas Gargantini - Danish High Court judgment recognising the legal reasons, principles and results of the courts of Argentina

Case News

Great Belt Bridge - construction arbitration award in favour of the civil works contractor with respect to a number of claims regarding

Case News 06.10.2026

Supreme Court: Parties may agree to additional remuneration for expert lay judges in court cases

Case News 24.09.2026

UNICEF enters into landmark lease agreement for the new Global Supply Hub in Copenhagen

Case News 25.06.2026

Plesner wins landmark case regarding expropriation on behalf of TDC NET

Case News 23.02.2026

Danish court upholds Bristol-Myers Squibb's apixaban patent in validity proceedings

Case News 07.10.2025

The Danish Maritime and Commercial High Court grants Bristol-Myers Squibb a preliminary injunction against Teva

Case News 02.10.2025

Østre Landsret afsiger principiel dom i sag om ophævelse af en erhvervsevnetabsforsikring

Case News 04.12.2024

Trustpilot was exempted for liability and had not violated the Marketing Practices Act

Case News 28.11.2024

New international airport in Nuuk opens today

Case News 10.09.2024

AP Ejendomme develops and constructs a new headquarter for Team Danmark

Case News 18.07.2024

Morgan Stanley and Carnegie reaches a settlement in the OW Bunker case complex

Case News

Nordjyllandsværket (North Jutland Power Plant) - Kaefer Isoleringsteknik A/S - award in favour of the client in arbitration proceedings

Case News

Copenhagen Metro, phases 1 and 2 - COMET I/S - award in favour of the client in arbitration proceedings

Case News

Ship conversion - Victor Lenac Shipyard - assistance regarding a court appointed expert evaluation and successful settlement

Case News

Petrol pumps - manufacturer - High Court judgment in favour of the client in legal proceedings

Case News

Packaging production line - fashion manufacturing - assistance with preparation of tender and conclusion of contracts

Case News

Purification plant - legal proceedings concerning technical deliveries for a purification plant in Sri Lanka under a FIDIC contract

Case News

Fish box cleaning plant - Danish Seafood - legal proceedings concerning conditions for and operation of an automatic fish box return and cleaning plant

Case News

Slaughterhouse - GVL Entreprise A/S - assistance concerning court appointed expert evaluation and settlement

Case News

Wind turbines - Ja-Ke - award in favour of the client in arbitration proceedings

Case News

Cement plant - Middle East - legal proceedings concerning defects and production disruptions, etc.

Case News

Ship engines - Skaugen - award in favour of the client in ICC arbitration proceedings

Case News

Bio-power plants - Lisbjerg - assistance with the assignment and passing of contracts

Case News

Ongoing advice: Continuing counselling regarding contractual matters, execution, and operation of construction and infrastructure projects

Case News

International Projects: Advising on a wide range of international construction projects across the globe

Case News

Public Buildings: Advising on construction projects with municipalities, state-owned companies, and other public clients concerning small and large public buildings

Case News

Pharma and Food Industry: Advising entities such as Novozymes, Leo Pharma, and Ferring Pharmaceutical

Case News

Process and Energy Plants: Various issues and legal cases related to several technical plants

Case News

Healthcare: Advising on the construction and expansion of major hospitals across Denmark

Case News

Metro/Railway: Advising contractors in connection with the development, construction, and expansion of the metro in Copenhagen, as well as advising on the electrification of the Danish railway network

Case News 26.03.2024

Dismissal of claim for avoidance of approx. DKK 100m against Thornico

Case News 08.12.2023

Danish Supreme Court finds for AP Pension in group action concerning change of pension schemes

Case News 23.10.2023

The Eastern High Court upholds Sonion's preliminary injunction against Huawei and Sony

Case News 30.06.2023

The Supreme Court finds in favour of the Ministry of Taxation in another "beneficial owner" case

Ratings

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