

**Paula Fernández-Longoria**

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*Interviewees commend her for having "a lot of knowledge and a very pragmatic approach."*

Chambers Europe, 2020. TMT: Information Technology - Spain.

*Interviewees underline how she is "one of the leading experts in data protection and privacy".*

Chambers Europe 2019. TMT: Information Technology - Spain.

Paula was recognized by *Best Lawyers* as "Lawyer of the Year" in the field of Privacy and Data Protection in Spain in 2016 and in the 2021 ranking appears among most recommended lawyers in Spain in various categories: Information Technology Law, Intellectual Property Law and Privacy & Data Protection law.

*Leaders League* ranks Paula among highly recommended lawyers in its ranking Data Protection & Cybersecurity 2020, Spain.

**Paula Fernández-Longoria** is a Special Counsel of Samaniego Law, a law firm specialized in IT law and she mainly focuses in data protection and cybersecurity.

Paula has an extensive experience in advising clients in all range of privacy issues having advised and represented a large number of local and international companies on multinational projects including international data flows, outsourcing transactions, assistance before the data protection authorities and data compliance programs. She has also extensive experience in cybersecurity having collaborated with insurance companies offering cybersecurity policies.

She also advises on IT outsourcing and e-commerce projects, Blockchain projects, technology procurements and other general commercial work.

**Career to date**

Before joining Samaniego Law, she was partner at the TMT department of Pinsent Masons in Madrid (2018 – 2020) and before that counsel at the TMT department of Bird & Bird in Madrid (2008 – 2018). Previously she formed part of the legal affairs team at Electronic Data Systems (EDS, now an HP company), where she was responsible for clients' IT and outsourcing contracts, compliance and intellectual property. Prior to this she worked at Linklaters TMT group in Madrid and in the Madrid and Brussels offices of the Spanish law firm Gomez-Acebo & Pombo.

**Other relevant information**

Paula is a frequent speaker at national and international conferences on the topics related to privacy and is author and co-author of various relevant publications. She speaks and works in both Spanish and English.