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Susanna Marshall

Under new EU legislation, large and listed companies in the extractive industries will be required to disclose details of any significant payments they make to governments and authorities of all countries in which they operate. More »

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Argentina: New Investment Regime for the Production of Shale Oil and Gas

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In an attempt to foster investment in shale oil and gas, particularly in the Vaca Muerta formation, the Argentine government recently issued a new promotion regime for development activities in this "top five" country. More »

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Cynthia AM Stroman

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Jonathan L. Marsh

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International Arbitration

Bilateral Investment and Related Treaties Would Likely Have a Key Role in Mitigating Investment Risks If Mexico Undertakes Energy Reforms

Isabel Fernandez de la Cuesta

Mexico's efforts to open its oil and gas business provide an occasion to review the protections afforded to investors by Mexico's well-established and vast network of international treaties on direct foreign investment. More

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