INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF LAWS

LAWS

LAWS

LAWS

LAWS

LAWS

GENERAL EDITOR
PROF. DR. R. BLANPAIN

ASSOCIATE GENERAL EDITOR
PROF. DR. M. COLUCCI

Wolters Kluwer
Law & Business

Venezuela

by
Henry Jiménez Guanipa
Lawyer in the Law Firm Wirth
Rechtsanwälte, Mannheim, Germany

This monograph is up-to-date as of December 2013

2014

Wolters Kluwer
Law & Business

Published by:
Kluwer Law International
PO Box 316
2400 AH Alphen aan den Rijn
The Netherlands
E-mail: sales@kluwerlaw.com
Website: www.kluwerlaw.com

Sold and distributed in North, Central and South America by:
Aspen Publishers, Inc.
7201 McKinney Circle
Frederick, MD 21704
United States of America
Email: customer.service@aspenpublishers.com

Sold and distributed in all other countries by:
Turpin Distribution Services Ltd.
Stratton Business Park
Pegasus Drive, Biggleswade
Bedfordshire SG18 8TQ
United Kingdom
Email: kluwerlaw@turpin-distribution.com

The monograph *Venezuela* is an integral part of *Energy Law* in the *International Encyclopaedia of Laws* series.

Printed and bound by CPI Group (UK) Ltd, Croydon, CR0 4YY

ISBN 978-90-411-1405-1
Energy Law was first published in 2001.

Jiménez Guanipa, Henry. 'Venezuela'. *In International Encyclopaedia of Laws: Energy Law*, edited by Kurt Deketelaere. Alphen aan den Rijn, NL: Kluwer Law International, 2014.

This title is available on www.kluwerlawonline.com

© 2014, Kluwer Law International BV, The Netherlands

All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise, without written permission from the publisher.

Permission to use this content must be obtained from the copyright owner. Please apply to:
Permissions Department, Wolters Kluwer Legal, 76 Ninth Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, NY 10011-5201, USA. Email: permissions@kluwerlaw.com

The Author



Henry Jiménez Guanipa is Venezuelan (born on 5 March 1959). H. Jiménez Guanipa studied Law at Santa María University (Caracas) and earned his Graduate Degree in Criminal Sciences and Criminology from Andrés Bello Catholic University (Caracas). Subsequently he received a Master of Law at University of Heidelberg and his Ph.D at the Rhur University of Bochum, Germany. He has taught postgraduate courses and participated in research projects in different universities and institutions, both in Europe and Latin America (including Ruhr University Bochum; Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg Centre for Latin America; International Research Institute of Stavanger, Norway; Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, Brazil; UNAM, Mexico, Free Law School, México; Central University of Venezuela, Santa María University, Venezuela). He has been a visiting researcher at the Max Planck Institute for Comparative Public Law and International Law, Heidelberg, Germany, and at the Institute for Mining & Energy Law, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany. From 1992 to 2003, H. Jiménez has worked in the Venezuelan oil industry, where he held various positions and responsibilities. He participated actively in the process of the opening of the domestic market between 1995 and 1998. Therefore, has a varied and extensive practical experience in negotiation, drafting, interpretation and vetting of legal documents in the energy sector. He likewise has served as an instructor in negotiating techniques and advisor on legal matters related to the energy industry. Currently, he works in the law firm Wirth Rechtsanwälte, Mannheim, Germany.