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**EDUCATION**

- University of Montevideo, Degree (International Taxation)
- University of Montevideo, Master's Degree (Law and Practice)
- University of the Republic of Uruguay, Certified Public Accountant
- Languages: Spanish and English

**AFFILIATIONS**

- Association of Accountants, Economists and Administrators of Uruguay
- Institute of Tax Studies of Uruguay

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

- Tax, finance and accounting
- Cross-border transactions
- International tax structures
- Business set-up advice

María Cecilia Ricciardi is a Partner at Andersen Tax & Legal in Uruguay. She specializes in advising local and foreign clients on tax, finance and accounting topics, cross-border transactions, international tax structures and setting up of operations in Uruguay.

María Cecilia has over 15 years of experience in corporate and tax advice. She works with clients from the United States, Europe, Japan and Latin America, on matters such as:

- Incorporation of companies in Uruguay
- Advice on Tax Free Zone structures and offshore activities
- Acquisition of local companies by multinationals
- Advice on farmland investing in Uruguay - tax aspects
- Set-up of local franchise operations for global brands

María Cecilia was one of the founders of Solution Alliance, a tax and accountancy firm, in 2007. Solution Alliance became a member firm of Andersen Global when it adopted the name Andersen Tax & Legal in 2018. Before Solution Alliance, María Cecilia worked at Guyer & Regules and at Gap Consultores.

Important deals that María Cecilia has advised on include:

- The sale of Uruguay's leading beef producing company (British-owned) to one of the top global Japanese food companies
- Advice on the merging of a major supermarket chain of Uruguay
- Advice on the capitalization of duty-free stores in Uruguay, in legal as well as tax matters
- Tax advice on the incorporation of a second holding for the biggest seed technology developer in the Mercosur (South American trade bloc)