



## Capital Markets

Our global capital markets team represents issuers and underwriters in public equity and debt capital transactions, including initial public offerings (IPOs) and follow-on offerings; rights offerings; listings in international markets; and offerings of investment grade and high-yield bonds, including Rule 144A and Regulation S transactions.

We offer integrated securities advice on complex, cross-border transactions to issuers, underwriters, selling shareholders, sponsors, arrangers, lead managers, originators, dealers, trustees and depositories on a broad range of securities offerings.

Companies, underwriters, and placement agents rely on us to deliver global advice and unmatched local, on-the-ground resources to support public and private equity and debt capital raising transactions.

We have built a strong global platform based on deep industry knowledge in key growth sectors and access to global funding sources through relationships with the business and funding communities, including investment banks, private equity and venture capital providers and hedge funds.

### CAPABILITIES

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#### Equity Capital Markets

- IPOs across key global exchanges (LSE Main Market and AIM, NYSE, NASDAQ, Hong-Kong SE, ASX and various EMEA exchanges)
- Follow-on share offerings and rights offerings
- IPOs of investment entities including special purpose acquisition companies (SPACs)
- Block trades (ABBs)
- Cross-border securities offerings
- Ongoing reporting and compliance advice
- US securities regulation
- Other public equity transactions, pre-IPO financings and convertible bond offerings
- Ordinary or preferred shares
- Depositary receipts - GDRs or ADRs

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## Debt Capital Markets and Structured Finance

- High yield debt offerings
- Structured and project bonds
- Derivatives
- Portfolio asset sales
- Securitisations
- Collateralised loan obligations

## US securities regulation

- SEC-registered offerings
- Rule 144A / Regulation S offerings
- On-going compliance with US rules
- US securities advisory across the UK, EMEA and Asia

## Ongoing reporting and compliance advice

- Corporate governance
- Transparency Directive and DTRs
- Financial regulatory compliance

## EXPERIENCE

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### Equity

- Represented NYSE-listed biopharmaceutical company Kadmon, in its \$75 million underwritten public offering
- Represented Connecture, Inc. (Nasdaq: CNXR), a fast growing provider of Web-based information systems used to create health insurance marketplaces, in its \$75 million initial public offering
- Represented Neothetics (Nasdaq: NEOT), a clinical-stage specialty pharmaceutical company developing therapeutics for the aesthetic market, in its \$65 million initial public offering
- Advised Allied Minds on its IPO and admission to trading on the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange
- Advised Indochina Capital Vietnam Holdings on its \$500 million IPO and Rule 144A on the London Stock Exchange
- Represented China Railway Group in raising US\$5.5 billion through a dual listing in Shanghai and Hong Kong

### Debt

- Represented United States Steel Corporation in its issuance of \$980 million aggregate principal amount of 8.375 percent Senior Secured Notes due in 202
- Represented Lima Metro 2 Finance Limited and the project sponsors in the issuance of \$1.15 billion of Senior Secured Notes to US and international investors pursuant to Rule 144 and Regulation S
- Represented J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc., Wells Fargo Securities, LLC and 14 other underwriters in connection with a US\$800 million dual-tranche investment grade debt offering by Marriott International, Inc.
- Represented Citigroup Global Markets as underwriter in the \$500 million shelf takedown of floating rate senior notes of Telefónica S.A.
- Akbank (one of the three largest Turkish banks) on a TL 1 billion (US\$570 million) international bond issue under Rule 144A. This was first Turkish Lira denominated bond issue out of Turkey
- Represented HSBC Bank plc, Credit Suisse Securities (Europe) Limited, Merrill Lynch International, Banco Santander, S.A., Bankia, S.A. and Société Générale Corporate and Investment Banking, acting as initial purchasers, in connection with the issue by Abengoa Finance, S.A.U. – a wholly owned subsidiary Abengoa, S.A. – of €250,000,000 8.875 per cent. senior notes due 2018

(bonos) unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed by Abengoa, S.A. and some of its subsidiaries to be listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and admitted to trading on the Euro MTF market

## AKTUELLES

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### Veröffentlichungen

#### **Contracting for the climate: The Climate Contract Playbook is a trove of climate clauses**

11 November 2020

Contracts have become an essential vehicle for companies seek to mitigate their environmental risks and limit their carbon footprints.

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#### **New CFIUS regulations change mandatory filing requirements and increase the importance of US export controls**

30 September 2020

The new rule modifies the criteria that trigger a mandatory filing with CFIUS, potentially subjecting more transactions to mandatory CFIUS review.

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#### **Chinese and other emerging market companies listed in the US face increased scrutiny from Congress and Nasdaq**

27 May 2020

Within a span of two days, the US Senate, House and Nasdaq each took steps to safeguard investors in the US capital markets.

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#### **ASX announces amendments to class waivers for raising capital during COVID-19**

23 April 2020

On the 22 April 2020, ASX announced amendments to class waivers following discussions with ASIC and industry and investor groups. The key changes, apply to capital raisings announced on or after 23 April 2020.

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#### **FINRA updates frequently asked questions related to regulatory relief due to the COVID-19 pandemic**

23 April 2020

Additional guidance from FINRA for broker-dealers.

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#### **FINRA publishes COVID-19 information notice providing suggested measures to strengthen cybersecurity controls**

10 April 2020

FINRA provides numerous suggested measures for strengthening cybersecurity controls regarding increased risks associated with employees working remotely.

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#### **US: FINRA publishes frequently asked questions related to regulatory relief due to the COVID-19 pandemic**

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10 April 2020

Through these FAQs, FINRA provides temporary relief from certain rules and requirements where compliance may be affected by the pandemic.

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### **Brexit: where are we now? And can "Equivalence" work?**

9 April 2020

Due to the importance and impact of the United Kingdom on the global financial markets there is a large flow of financial services between the UK and the EU going both ways, which underpins the operations of many EU companies. If a comprehensive trade deal is not adopted by 31 December 2020 the future of these services will become highly unpredictable.

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### **Federal Reserve resurrects TALF program in response to COVID-19**

6 April 2020

It is widely expected that the terms and requirements of obtaining credit through TALF 2.0 will largely follow those from a predecessor facility made available during the financial crisis.

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### **ASX and ASIC make it easier for companies to raise capital during COVID-19**

3 April 2020

The economic shock caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has impacted companies across all sectors, with many needing to raise capital urgently to sustain them until the pandemic passes. The Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) and Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) have recognised this, and on 31 March 2020 announced temporary emergency capital raising relief to help facilitate capital raisings in the short term.

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### **Australian Government increases scrutiny on foreign investment as part of response to COVID-19**

31 March 2020

#### **OVERVIEW**

- Monetary screening threshold reduced to \$0 for all foreign investments under the FATA
  - Timetables for new and existing applications to be extended up to 6 months
  - Priority will be given to applications for investments that support Australian business and jobs so, where applicable, this should be highlighted in applications to FIRB
  - Transactions signed prior to 10:30pm on Sunday, 29 March not impacted by changes
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### **COVID-19 and French financial markets: The AMF announce a short selling ban for one month**

31 March 2020

Following its decision to temporary ban short selling on 92 French stocks admitted to trading on Euronext Paris (regulated market), Euronext Growth Paris or Euronext Access (multilateral trading facilities), trading venues operated by Euronext Paris, with immediate effect until the end of the trading day on Tuesday 17 March, the Autorité des marchés financiers (AMF), in the light of the outbreak of COVID-19 and its consequences on the economy and financial market in France, has decided to ban for a total period of 30 days the creation or increase of short net positions with immediate effect on 18 March 2020 (read the decision here).

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## COVID-19 and the impact on asset-based lenders and their customers

31 March 2020

The outbreak of coronavirus COVID-19 represents one of the most significant global public health crises in recent memory and is causing major disruption and unprecedented volatility in markets, economies and businesses.

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## ESG: The rise of private ordering and the role of the NCGC committee (United States)

26 March 2020

### [ESG HANDBOOKS AND GUIDES](#)

This inaugural ESG handbook, part of our 2020 Proxy Season Hot Topics series, aims to help public companies as they develop and maintain a robust ESG program.

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## Securities regulators, TSX and TSXV provide relief for market participants due to COVID-19 (Canada)

25 MAR 2020

In response to ongoing developments related to COVID-19 and its impact on market participants, each of the Canadian Securities Administrators (“CSA”), the Toronto Stock Exchange (the “TSX”) and the TSX Venture Exchange (the “TSXV”), have provided relief for issuers, dealers and investment funds.

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## Energy commodity marketing and trading companies in times of crisis: Risks of heightened scrutiny from the CFTC and FERC

23 March 2020

Energy commodity marketing and trading companies should take a number of steps to mitigate the risks of regulatory infractions during times of crisis.

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## Virtual shareholder meetings and COVID-19: a primer (Canada)

19 MAR 2020

With concerns regarding the spread of the COVID-19 and the fact that many jurisdictions have banned gatherings of anywhere from 10 to 250 people or more, and with new restrictions coming daily, if not hourly, many Canadian issuers have begun to consider alternatives to the traditional in-person annual meeting of shareholders.

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## Coronavirus: SEC provides guidance for conducting annual meeting (United States)

17 March 2020

The SEC provides a process for companies to notify shareholders of a change in date, time or location of the annual meeting and guidance on the holding of virtual or hybrid annual meetings and the presentation of shareholder proposals.

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## The end of Libor looms near: Are your "fallbacks" in place?

10 March 2020

LIBOR, the most important benchmark interest rate used in a large portion of all financial contracts worldwide, will very likely be terminated or at least its reliability severely impaired by the end of year 2021. It is of the utmost importance for all participants of the financial markets to take appropriate measures in due time, as those insufficiently prepared may suffer detrimental consequences.

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### **Considerations for virtual annual shareholder meetings in light of the coronavirus (United States)**

6 March 2020

With the proxy season upon us, many public companies are grappling with how to responsibly hold annual shareholder meetings in light of the COVID-19 outbreak.

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### **Monthly Legal Insights on Hong Kong Capital Market (February 2020)**

5 March 2020

Hong Kong Capital Markets Monthly Legal Insight - The February edition is mainly about the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's guidance on rules regarding the publication of financial results during the outbreak of the Coronavirus and on the front-loaded regulatory approach adopted by the SFC of Hong Kong to address issues regarding market quality and corporate conducts.

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### **SEC provides filing extension for companies affected by coronavirus (United States)**

5 March 2020

Companies that file public reports that are unable to meet filing deadlines due to the COVID-19 outbreak will have an additional 45 days to file.

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### **The Prospectus Regulation entered into force and now applies in full**

22 July 2019

On Sunday 21 July 2019, the Prospectus Regulation entered into force, replacing the prospectus directive as implemented within the EU. The Prospectus Regulation harmonizes requirements for the drafting, approval, and distribution of the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading on a regulated market.

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### **2019 Proxy Season Hot Topics: Part 3 – SEC hedging rules, auditor report, Form 10-K changes**

15 FEB 2019

#### **[PROXY SEASON HOT TOPICS](#)**

New SEC hedging rules, changes to the auditor's report, changes to Form 10-K cover pages and exhibit hyperlinks.

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## **[NEWS](#)**

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### **DLA Piper sponsors 2020 UK Technology Fast 50**

20 November 2020

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DLA Piper is pleased to sponsor the 2020 Deloitte UK Technology Fast 50, for the fourth year running, As one of the UK's foremost technology award programmes and now in its 23rd year, it ranks the country's 50 fastest-growing technology companies, based on revenue growth.

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### **DLA Piper advises PORR on the sale of shares in Stal-Service in Poland**

5 November 2020

DLA Piper has advised PORR, one of the leading construction companies in Europe, on the sale of all its shares in Stal-Service to Celsa Huta Ostrowiec, steel plant in Poland of almost 200 years of experience in steel products manufacturing.

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### **DLA Piper advises Prologis on largest-ever sale of logistics real estate assets in the UK**

29 October 2020

DLA Piper has advised global leader in logistics real estate Prologis, Inc. on the sale of a portfolio of buildings and land in the UK to real estate funds managed by Blackstone for GBP473 million (USD618 million).

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### **DLA Piper berät Space Capital bei Investition in Technologie Start-up bliq**

27. Oktober 2020

DLA Piper hat den US-amerikanischen Venture-Capital-Investor Space Capital bei seiner Beteiligung an dem deutschen Technologie-Start-Up bliq beraten. Die Investition war Teil von bliq's Series Seed 2 Finanzierungsrunde.

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### **DLA Piper lawyers recognised as Rising Stars in Private Equity by Law.com International**

20 October 2020

DLA Piper's Private Equity partner Matthieu Lampel (Paris) and senior associate Jesper Lindbom (Stockholm) have been included in Law.com International/UK, Legal Week's 2020 Rising Stars in Private Equity list, a ranking of the best up-and-coming private practice lawyers in the UK and European private equity industry.

Nominees were assessed on the quality of their client base; the scale, significance and complexity of their deals; their client feedback and general market reputation; the standing of their mentor; and any other examples of career success and innovation.

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### **DLA Piper berät beim Verkauf von FLABEG an CORDET**

02. Oktober 2020

DLA Piper hat den Insolvenzverwalter des Automobilzulieferers FLABEG, Rechtsanwalt Volker Böhm von Schultze & Braun, beim Verkauf der Unternehmensgruppe mit Hauptsitz in Deutschland und internationalen Standorten (Frankreich, Ungarn, China, Brasilien, USA) an einen internationalen Investor beraten.

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### **DLA Piper advises Amnesty International on its spin-out of the Human Rights Consortium Scotland**

8 September 2020

DLA Piper has advised Amnesty International on the spin-out of the Human Rights Consortium Scotland (HRCS) as a separate, independent human rights organisation.

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### **DLA Piper advises Hitachi Rail Limited on acquisition of railway technology firm Perpetuum**

19 August 2020

DLA Piper is advising Hitachi Rail Limited in connection with the acquisition of Perpetuum, a technology firm that is pioneering digital technology to optimise railway operations, offering improved efficiency, safety and quality of service.

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### **DLA Piper advises AS Roma in its sale to The Friedkin Group for €591 million**

17 August 2020

DLA Piper represented AS Roma SPV, LLC, the majority shareholder of Italian soccer club AS Roma, in the sale of its controlling interest in the team and certain related assets to The Friedkin Group, Inc., in a transaction valued at €591 million.

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### **DLA Piper berät Syngenta bei der Übernahme der südafrikanischen Sensako-Gruppe**

17 August 2020

DLA Piper hat den in der Schweiz ansässigen Syngenta-Konzern bei der Übernahme der Sensako-Gruppe beraten, einem südafrikanischen Saatgutunternehmen, das sich mit der Züchtung und Vermarktung von agronomischen Nutzpflanzen beschäftigt.

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### **DLA Piper makes second senior partner hire into London Corporate this month**

11 August 2020

DLA Piper today announces that Jonathan Earle will be joining the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in the London office.

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### **DLA Piper berät Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG beim Verkauf von MIS-Software Anbieter CERM**

6. August 2020

DLA Piper hat die Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG (Heidelberg) beim Verkauf von CERM, einem globalen Anbieter von Management-Informationssystem (MIS)-Software für die Druckindustrie, im Rahmen eines Management Buyouts (MBO) beraten.

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### **DLA Piper boosts London Private Equity offering with key partner hire**

5 August 2020

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of private equity (PE) lawyer Piero Carbone as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in London.

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### **DLA Piper advises Episode Six on its USD7 million Series A financing**

22 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised Episode Six, a next-generation financial technology provider, on its recent USD7 million Series A funding. The round was led by HSBC and includes investments from Mastercard and SBI Investment Co., Ltd., which first invested in Episode Six through its FinTech Business Innovation Fund in 2017.

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### **DLA Piper advises Resource Partners on the sale of Golpasz**

7 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised Resource Partners, one of the leading private equity investors in the CEE region, on the sale of the majority stake in Golpasz to De Heus, an international animal feed manufacturer.

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### **DLA Piper berät GM Cruise beim Erwerb von Astyx**

8. Juli 2020

DLA Piper hat die GM Cruise Holdings LLC (GM Cruise) im Zusammenhang mit dem Erwerb der Astyx GmbH (Astyx) von der Zukunft Ventures GmbH, einer Tochtergesellschaft der ZF Friedrichshafen AG, sowie den Gründern der Astyx beraten.

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### **DLA Piper advises Katoen Natie on the acquisition of Nijhof Wassink**

7 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised Katoen Natie, an international logistics service provider and port operator, on the acquisition of the warehousing activities of Nijhof-Wassink in Poland, a family-owned company specialising in logistics.

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### **DLA Piper advises Dechra Pharmaceuticals on GBP133.4m share placing**

5 June 2020

DLA Piper has advised FTSE 250 veterinary pharmaceuticals business Dechra Pharmaceuticals (Dechra) on the placing of 5,1 million new ordinary shares raising GBP133.4 million.

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### **DLA Piper berät Ping An bei Investment in Berliner Health Start-up Plusdental**

29 Mai 2020

DLA Piper hat den in Hongkong ansässigen Ping An Global Voyager Fund ("*Global Voyager Fund*") bei einem Investment in das Berliner Health Start-up Plusdental im Rahmen einer EUR 32 Mio. Finanzierungsrunde beraten.

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### **DLA Piper advises Hyve Group on market first GBP126.6m rights issue to tackle COVID-19 response**

29 May 2020

DLA Piper has advised FTSE 250 global events business Hyve Group plc on its GBP126.6 million rights issue, the first of such fundraisings since the UK went into lockdown, to strengthen the Group's balance sheet and set the business on firm foundations for the future.

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### **DLA Piper berät LPKF bei erfolgreicher Platzierung sämtlicher von der Bantleon-Gruppe gehaltenen Aktien**

29 May 2020

DLA Piper hat die im SDAX der Frankfurter Wertpapierbörse notierte LPKF Laser & Electronics Aktiengesellschaft bei der erfolgreichen Platzierung sämtlicher von der Bantleon-Gruppe gehaltenen LPKF-Aktien beraten.

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## **Oberhammer, bpv Hügel und DLA Piper bei erster virtueller Hauptversammlung**

4 Mai 2020

Die Kanzleien Oberhammer Rechtsanwälte, bpv Hügel und DLA Piper haben mit Ewald Oberhammer, Christoph Nauer und Christian Temmel bei der ersten virtuellen Hauptversammlung einer börsennotierten Gesellschaft im deutschsprachigen Raum, gemeinsam mit Wilhelm Rasinger vom Interessensverband der Anleger (IVA), als unabhängige Stimmrechtsvertreter agiert.

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## **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020**

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020 in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

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## **Internationales DLA Piper Team berät bei Immobilien-Transaktion in Luxemburg**

29 April 2020

DLA Piper hat die FFF Real Estate S.à r.l., eine Tochtergesellschaft des FFF Fund I SCSp SICAV-RAIF, einem in Luxemburg ansässigen regulierten Multikompartment-Fond, beim Erwerb und der Weiterentwicklung eines Wohnprojekts in Luxemburg beraten.

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## **DLA Piper advises Greencoat UK Wind on acquisition of subsidy-free wind farm in Scotland**

28 April 2020

DLA Piper has advised long-standing client Greencoat UK Wind on the acquisition of the South Kyle wind farm in Scotland from developer Vattenfall, for GBP320 million once the farm begins operating in Q1 2023.

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## **DLA Piper berät BASF beim Vollzug des Erwerbs des Polyamidgeschäfts von Solvay und Gründung eines Joint Ventures mit Domo Chemicals**

24 March 2020

DLA Piper hat den DAX-Konzern BASF beim Erwerb des Polyamid-Geschäftes von Solvay beraten. Die Transaktion wurde am 31. Januar 2020 vollzogen, nachdem entsprechende Vereinbarungen von beiden Unternehmen bereits im September 2017 und im August 2019 unterzeichnet worden waren. Der von BASF gezahlte Kaufpreis ohne Berücksichtigung von Barmitteln und Fremdkapital beträgt 1,3 Milliarden Euro.

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## **DLA Piper berät Heidelberger Druckmaschinen bei Maßnahmenpaket zur Profitabilitätssteigerung**

20 March 2020

DLA Piper hat die Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG im Rahmen des von der Gesellschaft angekündigten umfassenden Maßnahmenpakets zur Profitabilitätssteigerung beraten. Ziel des Maßnahmenpakets ist es, kurzfristig die Strukturkosten zu reduzieren und die Profitabilität des Unternehmens nachhaltig zu verbessern.

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## **DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars**

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

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## **DLA Piper beriet PORR erneut bei Emission einer Hybrid-Anleihe**

6 March 2020

DLA Piper hat die PORR AG bei der Emission einer EUR 150 Mio Hybrid-Anleihe beraten. Überdies hatten Anleger die Möglichkeit, die im Jahr 2017 emittierte Hybrid-Anleihe an die PORR zurück zu verkaufen.

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## **DLA Piper only firm in top five for private equity, venture capital and M&A for third consecutive year**

25 February 2020

DLA Piper was the only firm to rank among the top five most active law firms for global deal volume in each of private equity, venture capital and M&A.

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## **DLA Piper advises GS Engineering & Construction in its EUR140 million acquisition of Danwood Holding from Enterprise Investors**

28 January 2020

DLA Piper advised GS Engineering & Construction, a leading global construction company based in South Korea, on the acquisition of 100% of the shares in Danwood Holding from Polish Enterprise Fund VII, a private equity fund managed by Enterprise Investors. The value of the transaction is EUR140 million.

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## **DLA Piper advises Schröder on acquisition**

28 January 2020

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised multinational lighting company Schröder Group (Schröder) on its agreement to acquire the infrastructure lighting divisions of Gerard Lighting Group (GLG).

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## **DLA Piper advises Hyundai/KIA Motors on its EUR100m investment in electric vehicles company Arrival SARL**

17 January 2020

DLA Piper's Emerging Growth and Venture Capital team has advised leading car manufacturer Hyundai/KIA Motors on its EUR100 million, Series A investment in Arrival SARL, a Luxembourg-based company focused on creating and designing state-of-the-art

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electric vehicles.

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### **DLA Piper tops list for global M&A deal volume for tenth straight year**

8 January 2020

For the tenth consecutive year, DLA Piper was the highest ranked legal advisor in the world for M&A deal volume, according to *Mergermarket's* league tables.

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### **DLA Piper erreicht Freigabe des Bundeskartellamts für die Gründung eines Joint Ventures zwischen EWE und Deutsche Telekom**

7 January 2020

DLA Piper hat in einem Fusionskontrollverfahren für das Energie- und Telekommunikationsunternehmen EWE AG die Freigabe des Bundeskartellamts zur Gründung eines Joint Ventures mit der Telekom Deutschland GmbH erreicht.

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### **DLA Piper advises NEQSOL on USD\$734 million acquisition of Vodafone Ukraine**

9 December 2019

DLA Piper has advised NEQSOL on the acquisition of Vodafone Ukraine (VF Ukraine) from Russian telecommunications operator MTS Group for USD\$734 million, including a.c. USD\$84 million of earn-out payment. In addition, the firm advised NEQSOL on the raising of acquisition financing for the deal from a group of international funds and financial inst

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### **DLA Piper berät UBM bei EUR 120 Mio Anleiheemission erstmals nach neuem Prospektrecht**

8 November 2019

DLA Piper hat den europäischen Hotelentwickler UBM Development AG bei einer neuen Anleiheemission Anleiheemissionsamt Umtauschangebot beraten. UBM ist die erste Gesellschaft in Österreich, die bei der Emission einer EUR 120 Mio Anleihe einen vollständigen Kapitalmarktprospekt nach dem neuen Regime der Europäischen Prospektverordnung verwendet hat.

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### **DLA Piper advises Hanway Associates on the sale of HAPP Holdings to global media and data group NOBL**

25 October 2019

DLA Piper has advised Hanway Associates, the cannabis consultancy business, on the sale of HAPP Holdings Limited to NOBL Group, including the market leading conference series Cannabis Europa.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the sale of Sens-Tech**

25 October 2019

DLA Piper has advised the owner of Sens-Tech (the Company) on the disposal of the Company to discoverIE Group plc (discoverIE), an international group of businesses that design, manufacture and supply innovative components for electronic applications.

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### **DLA Piper advises Worldline on the acquisition of a minority stake in equensWorldline**

16 October 2019

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DLA Piper has advised Worldline on the acquisition of the 36.4% minority stake in equensWorldline. DLA Piper had previously advised Worldline in 2016, when Worldline's payment transaction processing activities had been combined with Equens. This merger resulted in the creation of equensWorldline, which was 63.6% owned by Worldline and 36.4% owned by former Equens shareholders.

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### **DLA Piper advises France Air Group on the project of acquisition of SIG's Air Handling Division**

10 October 2019

DLA Piper has advised France Air Group, a leader for handling and diffusion of indoor air, which has entered into an agreement for the acquisition of SIG plc's Air Handling Division (the SIG Air Handling Division).

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### **Financial Times ranks DLA Piper among the most innovative law firms in Europe**

13 September 2019

DLA Piper has been recognised as one of the top 10 most innovative law firms in Europe at the Financial Times' 2019 European Innovative Lawyers report, an annual ranking assessing lawyers on their innovation both for clients and in their own businesses.

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### **DLA Piper adviseert The Carlyle Group bij investering in HSO Group**

6 September 2019

DLA Piper heeft The Carlyle Group geadviseerd bij de investering in HSO Group. Het eigen vermogen voor de investering kwam van Carlyle European Technology Partners III Fund (CETP), een fonds van EUR635 miljoen dat investeert in technologiegerichte bedrijven in Europa en de VS.

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### **DLA Piper advises The Carlyle Group on its investment in HSO Group**

6 September 2019

DLA Piper has advised The Carlyle Group on its investment in HSO Group. Equity for the investment is provided by Carlyle European Technology Partners III Fund (CETP), a EUR635 million fund that invests in technology-focused companies in Europe and the US.

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### **DLA Piper berät Tirona bei Beteiligung an CashCape**

5 September 2019

DLA Piper hat Tirona Ltd. im Zusammenhang mit dem Erwerb einer 25%igen Beteiligung an der Fintech-App CashCape beraten.

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### **DLA Piper continues to boost CEE region capability with new hires in Poland**

5 September 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of eight new lawyers in its Warsaw office into three key practice areas of Corporate, Finance & Projects (F&P) and Litigation & Regulatory. These hires follow the recent appointment of corporate partners Marek Sawicki and Jakub Marcinkowski from CMS.

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### **DLA Piper advises Hain Celestial on sale of Tilda rice**

29 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised The Hain Celestial Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: HAIN) on its sale of Tilda, the premium Basmati and speciality rice

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business, to Ebro Foods S.A. for US\$342 million. Hain Celestial is a leading organic and natural products company with operations in North America, Europe, Asia and the Middle East.

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#### **DLA Piper berät BASF bei teilweiser Veräußerung von europäischem Polyamidgeschäft**

14 August 2019

DLA Piper hat den DAX-Konzern BASF beim Erwerb des integrierten globalen Polyamid-Geschäftes von Solvay beraten. Eine entsprechende Vereinbarung wurde von beiden Unternehmen im September 2017 unterzeichnet.

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#### **DLA Piper berät Bauer Media Group beim Erwerb von Camilyo Online Ltd**

5. August 2019

DLA Piper hat erneut die Bauer Media Group beim Erwerb eines Anbieters onlinebasierter white-label Dienstleistungen für Online-Service Provider und deren Mittelstandskunden, die israelische Camilyo Online Ltd., beraten.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Homebase on Bathstore acquisition**

23 July 2019

DLA Piper today announced that it has advised leading home improvement and garden retailer, Homebase, on the acquisition of certain assets of specialist bathroom retailer, Bathstore from its administrators. The move will see Bathstore concessions added to Homebase stores as well as securing the continued operation of 44 of Bathstore's retail outlet.

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#### **DLA Piper berät Helios Investment Partners und EAEF beim Erwerb von Misr Hytech**

17. Juli 2019

DLA Piper hat Helios Investment Partners (Helios) und den Egyptian-American Enterprise Fund (EAEF) beim Erwerb eines 96,7% -Anteils an Misr Hytech Seed International (Misr Hytech) beraten. Die Investition des EAEF erfolgte über den Investmentmanager Lorax Capital Partners (LCP).

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#### **DLA Piper advises Jaja Finance on its £530m acquisition of Bank of Ireland's UK credit card business**

12 July 2019

DLA Piper has advised digital finance company Jaja Finance Limited (Jaja) on the acquisition of Bank of Ireland's (The Bank) UK credit card portfolio.

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#### **DLA Piper berät Wipro beim Erwerb der International TechneGroup Incorporated**

10. Juli 2019

DLA Piper hat Wipro Limited beim Erwerb der International TechneGroup Incorporated (ITI), einem weltweit tätigen Unternehmen für digitale Technik- und Fertigungslösungen, beraten.

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#### **DLA Piper berät Rolls-Royce beim Erwerb des eAircraft Geschäfts von Siemens**

21 June 2019

DLA Piper hat Rolls-Royce plc beim Erwerb der Elektro- und Hybridantriebssparte für die Luft- und Raumfahrt, eAircraft, von Siemens beraten. Die Akquisition ist Teil der Elektrifizierungsstrategie von Rolls-Royce und wird dazu beitragen, dass das

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Unternehmen zukünftig eine maßgebliche Rolle in der „dritten Epoche“ der Luftfahrt spielen wird.

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### **DLA Piper berät VARTA AG bei Kapitalerhöhung über rund EUR104 Mio. zur Erweiterung von Produktionskapazitäten**

14 June 2019

DLA Piper hat die VARTA AG bei ihrer erfolgreichen Kapitalerhöhung zur Erweiterung der Produktionskapazitäten der Lithium-Ionen-Batterien beraten. Insgesamt wurden 2.221.686 neue Aktien zu einem Preis von EUR 46,70 je Aktie platziert. Aus der Kapitalerhöhung fließt der Gesellschaft ein Bruttoemissionserlös in Höhe von rund EUR 104 Mio. zu

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### **DLA Piper continues expansion in Europe with double partner hire in Poland**

4 June 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Marek Sawicki and Jakub Marcinkowski as new partners in its Corporate practice, based in Warsaw. Marek and Jakub will be joining the firm from CMS, where they have been working since 2007.

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### **DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice**

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

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### **DLA Piper appoints new Head of Corporate for the Middle East, strengthening M&A capability**

13 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has appointed Will Seivewright as a partner and Head of Corporate for the Middle East. Will joins the firm's Dubai office from Baker McKenzie. His practice focuses on M&A (both public and private), joint ventures, corporate restructurings, private equity and venture capital transactions in the UAE, broader Middle East and internationally.

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### **DLA Piper advises The Hut Group on the acquisition of luxury natural haircare brand Christophe Robin**

2 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has advised The Hut Group (“THG”), one of the world’s leading online beauty and wellbeing businesses, on the acquisition of Christophe Robin, a luxury natural haircare brand. This acquisition represents a further strategic investment in THG’s international beauty offering.

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### **DLA Piper grows Corporate/M&A practice in London with leading partner hire**

30 APR 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Tracey Renshaw as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in London.

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### **DLA Piper named Best Law Firm of the Year in France by Private Equity Magazine**

18 APR 2019

DLA Piper has been named Best Law Firm of the Year in France by Private Equity Magazine at its annual Les Grands Prix de Private Equity Magazine awards ceremony, held on April 15 at the Théâtre des Folies Bergère in Paris.

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### **DLA Piper berät The Carlyle Group beim Verkauf von vwd**

12 APR 2019

DLA Piper hat das globale Private Equity-Unternehmen The Carlyle Group beim Verkauf der vwd Vereinigte Wirtschaftsdienste GmbH, eines europaweit führender Anbieters von Softwarelösungen in der Investment Industrie, an Infront ASA beraten. Infront, mit Sitz in Oslo, ist einer der Marktführer in Europa für Lösungen für Real-Time Marktdaten, Trading sowie News und Analytics.

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### **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019**

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

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### **DLA Piper continues to boost European M&A practice with partner hire in Belgium**

28 MAR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Michaël Heene will be joining the firm as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Brussels.

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### **DLA Piper advises Mothercare on the sale of Early Learning Centre business to the Entertainer**

26 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised UK retailer Mothercare plc on the £13.5 million sale of Early Learning Centre Limited to TEAL Brands Limited, a subsidiary of TEAL Group Holdings, the holding company of the Entertainer group of companies. Mothercare will use the proceeds from the sale to reduce its bank debt.

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### **Advising Zetta Jet on foreign insolvency judgment in Singapore**

19 MAR 2019

DLA Piper acted as international counsel to Zetta Jet Pte. Ltd. (a Singapore-incorporated company) ("Zetta Jet") and others, as applicants, in a seminal judgment on the recognition of foreign insolvency proceedings under the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency (as adopted in Singapore in 2017) (the "Singapore Model Law").

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### **DLA Piper advises China Ping An Insurance Overseas (Holdings) Co. Ltd. on investment in GDS Holdings Limited**

18 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented China Ping An Insurance Overseas (Holdings) Co. Ltd. (Ping An Overseas) in entering into a definitive agreement to make an equity investment in the NASDAQ listed GDS Holdings Limited (GDS), a leading developer and operator of high-performance data centers in China. Ping An Overseas paid a subscription price of US\$150 million for convertible preferred shares in GDS.

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### **DLA Piper advises on AFS Technologies merger with Exceedra**

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Symphony Technology Group (STG), the parent company of AFS Technologies (AFS) - a provider of software solutions purpose-built for consumer goods manufacturers and food distribution companies - on its merger with Exceedra.

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### **DLA Piper advises on £255 million takeover of Manx Telecom**

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper is advising AIM listed telecommunications provider, Manx Telecom plc, on its proposed takeover by Kelion Bidco for a total cash consideration of approximately £255.9 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises Merlin Entertainments on the A\$174 million sale of Australian ski resorts**

13 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Merlin Entertainments, a global leader in location based entertainment, on the A\$174 million sale of its Australian ski resorts, Hotham and Falls Creek, to US ski resort operator Vail Resorts, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Ocean Outdoor on €51m acquisitions of Dutch groups Interbest and Ngage Media**

13 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised digital advertising firm Ocean Outdoor on its approximately €51 million (£43.5 million) acquisitions of Interbest (Interbest) and Ngage Media (Ngage), two leading digital out-of-home (DOOH) companies operating across the Netherlands.

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### **DLA Piper advises 10x Future Technologies on £32m Series B fundraising**

12 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised fintech banking start-up 10x Future Technologies (10x) on its £32 million Series B funding round. A number of investors participated in the Series B funding including Nationwide, the world's largest building society, China's Ping An and global managing consulting firm Oliver Wyman.

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### **DLA Piper advises Laureate on US\$28 million asset sale**

6 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Baltimore-based and Nasdaq listed Laureate Education (NASDAQ:LAUR), the world's largest global network of higher education institutions, on the sale of Laureate's interest in Stamford International University (Stamford) to China YuHua Education Investment Limited (YuHua) (6169:HK).

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## **Galyna Zagorodniuk Re-Elected to the Public Council with the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine**

28 FEB 2019

Galyna Zagorodniuk, Head of Competition at DLA Piper in Ukraine and member of the Ukrainian Professional Association of Corporate Governance, has been re-elected to the Public Council of the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine for 2019-2020.

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## **DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice**

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

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## **DLA Piper recognized as a leading private equity, venture capital and M&A firm in *PitchBook's* league tables**

19 FEB 2019

For the second consecutive year, DLA Piper was the only firm to rank as one of the top five most active law firms for private equity, venture capital and M&A deal volume in *PitchBook's* 2018 global league tables report.

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## **DLA Piper boosts corporate offering in Amsterdam with senior partner hire**

5 FEB 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Henk Arnold Sijnja as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Amsterdam.

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## **DLA Piper berät Samsung Electronics bei Beteiligung an Identitätsplattform Verimi**

1 FEB 2019

DLA Piper hat Samsung Electronics bei ihrem Investment in die Verimi GmbH beraten. Samsung Electronics tritt einem Gesellschafterkreis von zwölf internationalen Unternehmen aus den unterschiedlichsten Branchen bei. Dazu gehören Allianz, Axel Springer, Bundesdruckerei, Core, Daimler, Deutsche Bahn, Deutsche Bank and Postbank, Deutsche Telekom, Giesecke+Devrient, Here Technologies, Lufthansa und Volkswagen Financial Services.

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## **DLA Piper advises CIRCOR in US\$85 million sale of Reliability Services business to Reladyne**

28 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented CIRCOR International, Inc., a provider of flow control solutions and other highly engineered products for the industrial, energy, aerospace and defense markets, in the sale of its Reliability Services business to an affiliate of Reladyne LLC for approximately US\$85 million.

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## **DLA Piper strengthens ASEAN Corporate and Finance offering with key partner hire**

21 JAN 2019

DLA Piper has strengthened its Corporate and Finance offering with the appointment of Philip Lee as a partner in its Corporate

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practice, based in Singapore.

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### **DLA Piper expands new Dublin office with four-partner hire**

9 JAN 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of four new partners from highly-regarded Irish firms to its newly opened Dublin office into four key practice areas of Finance and Projects (F&P), Corporate, Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT) and Employment. These hires follow the appointment of Corporate partner David Carthy as Ireland Country Managing Partner in May 2018.

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### **DLA Piper tops *Mergermarket*, *Thomson Reuters* league tables**

9 JAN 2019

For the ninth consecutive year, DLA Piper earned the top legal advisor ranking globally for overall M&A deal volume, according to *Mergermarket's* league tables.

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