



## 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.

### CAPABILITES

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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

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- Depositary receipts - GDRs or ADRs

## 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

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### 2019 Proxy Season Hot Topics: Part 5 – SEC comment letter trends and shareholder engagement

26 FEB 2019

#### [2019 PROXY SEASON HOT TOPICS](#)

A holistic look at some issues that affect all registrants, starting with trends observed in our review of SEC comment letters.

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#### 2019 Proxy Season Hot Topics: Part 4 – Diversity disclosure and executive compensation

21 FEB 2019

#### [2019 PROXY SEASON HOT TOPICS](#)

Part 4 in the series.

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

15 FEB 2019

#### [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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#### 2019 Proxy Season Hot Topics: Part 2 – a deeper dive into 2019 proxy season

13 FEB 2019

#### [2019 PROXY SEASON HOT TOPICS](#)

A deeper dive into such issues as Glass Lewis, pay ratios, virtual shareholder meetings and board diversity.

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#### 2019 Proxy Season Hot Topics: part 1 – ISS voting policies, non-GAAP measures and SEC's proxy roundtable

12 FEB 2019

#### [2019 PROXY SEASON HOT TOPICS](#)

Hot topics relevant to the 2019 proxy season, plus action items.

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#### How technical touchpoints can ensnare foreign cryptocurrency companies

29 OCT 2018

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Useful guideposts for overseas companies assessing whether they are exposed to US securities laws.

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### **Bank Regulatory News and Trends**

22 OCT 2018

#### **[BANK REGULATORY NEWS AND TRENDS](#)**

This regular publication from DLA Piper focuses on helping banking and financial services clients navigate the ever-changing federal regulatory landscape.

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### **Bank Regulatory News and Trends**

8 OCT 2018

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### **A guide to IPO listing in Australia**

4 OCT 2018

A guide to Initial Public Offering listing and how we can help in this area. Available in English and Chinese.

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### **California mandates female board directors for publicly held companies**

1 OCT 2018

California becomes the first state in the US to mandate gender diversity in the corporate boardroom, but the law may face legal challenges.

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### **Let's simplify the SEC's recent "disclosure update and simplification" rules**

27 SEP 2018

The amendments are extensive but, despite that, the changes that matter to most companies are fairly simple.

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### **Bank Regulatory News and Trends**

24 SEP 2018

#### **[BANK REGULATORY NEWS AND TRENDS](#)**

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### **Are you a smaller reporting company? Why you should care**

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19 SEP 2018

The SEC has amended its definition of the smaller reporting company. Are you eligible to take advantage of these changes?

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### **EDNY: US securities laws can be used to prosecute ICO fraud**

18 SEP 2018

While the order allows the criminal prosecution to advance, it does not settle the investment contract debate.

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### **Bank Regulatory News and Trends**

10 SEP 2018

#### **[BANK REGULATORY NEWS AND TRENDS](#)**

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### **Bank Regulatory News and Trends**

27 AUG 2018

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### **Bank Regulatory News and Trends**

30 JUL 2018

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### **First judicial finding that digital tokens are securities**

16 JUL 2018

But the precedential value of this finding remains an open question.

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### **The rise of the "Crypto Czar," the fall of a "blockchain evangelist," and other crypto developments**

12 JUNE 2018

Three legal developments and their implications for the blockchain and cryptocurrency communities.

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## **How one New York court is shaping the future of cryptocurrency regulation**

17 MAY 2018

Cases with far-reaching implications for the cryptocurrency regulatory landscape.

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## **Crypto industry sweep: ICOs and token offerings under increasing scrutiny by US regulators**

18 APR 2018

Recent enforcement developments targeting the cryptocurrency community, and the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.

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## **SEC eats away at Munchee "utility tokens": guidance for ICOs**

14 DEC 2017

What takeaways can other potential token issuers glean from the Munchee order? How much "utility" is needed?

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## **DLA Piper South Africa**

13 DEC 2017

DLA Piper South Africa offers legal services to clients based in South Africa, Africa and internationally. Our services include Corporate/M&A, Capital Markets, Finance and Projects, Competition and Tax law.

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## **Countdown 124 days: New Danish Capital Markets Act**

31 AUG 2017

On 3 January 2018, a new Danish Capital Markets Act comes into force, repealing the Danish Securities Trading Act. Follow our news series and learn about the new rules.

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## **A to-do list for the fourth quarter – three key topics for public companies, plus action items**

30 AUG 2017

Key deadlines and action items for the coming weeks

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## **SEC report on tokens as securities: seven takeaways**

31 JUL 2017

Sneak peek: DAO Tokens are securities. Double-sneak peek: many tokens are securities.

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## **Cornerstones of pharma market antitrust investigation**

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20 JUN 2017

This article provides two alternative views on the following issues: market definition, restriction of re-export provisions in the distribution agreements and retro-bonuses.

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### **Conflict minerals rule – limited portion invalidated; June 2 filing deadline looms**

16 APR 2014

The conflict minerals rule applies to all issuers that file reports with the SEC under Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, including foreign private issuers and smaller reporting companies.

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### **SEC lifts general solicitation ban, proposes changes to Reg D, approves “bad actor” rules**

19 JUL 2013

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### **US District Court vacates SEC’s Resource Extraction Rule**

3 JUL 2013

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### **Would registration with the SEC harm US private equity advisors' global competitiveness?**

22 Mar 2012

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### **SEC begins Dodd-Frank rulemaking with new open process**

28 Jul 2010

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### **Financial reform legislation affects executive compensation and corporate governance**

21 Jul 2010

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## **Events**

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#### **SFIG Vegas 2019**

24 - 27 FEB 2019  
Las Vegas

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## NEWS

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### **DLA Piper advises Real Capital Analytics in US\$115 million investment and recapitalization by Susquehanna Growth Equity**

18 June 2019

DLA Piper advised Real Capital Analytics, Inc., a real estate analytics and data provider firm, in a US\$115 million growth equity investment and recapitalization by Susquehanna Growth Equity, LLC. The investment was in the form of a Series B equity fundraising and debt.

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### **DLA Piper bolsters Corporate practice with team of five new partners**

14 June 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has significantly bolstered the strength of its Corporate practice in Australia with a team of five market leading M&A partners from Norton Rose Fulbright. Partners Shane Bilardi, James Stewart, Jyoti Singh, Chris Mitchell and Andrew Fiskien will join DLA Piper in the coming months.

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### **DLA Piper advises Critical Start in US\$40 million investment from Bregal Sagemount**

12 June 2019

DLA Piper represented Texas-based cybersecurity firm Critical Start in a US\$40 million minority investment by Bregal Sagemount.

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### **DLA Piper advises ABRY Partners on the acquisition of two enterprise software companies**

6 JUN 2019

DLA Piper has represented ABRY Partners in its acquisition of DL Software and Cash-in Consulting in Vaasa, Finland and Computer Program Unit in Joensuu, Finland.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Josh Freedman**

3 JUN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Josh Freedman to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate Group.

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### **DLA Piper advises Raksystems on its expansion to Sweden**

31 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has advised Raksystems, Finland's largest building condition assessment services provider, on its acquisition of Swedish consulting firm Dry-IT, a specialist in humidity management, energy and the environment.

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### **Herkules Private Equity IV has entered into an agreement to sell Seagull to a fund managed by Oakley Capital**

23 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has represented Herkules Private Equity, a leading private equity firm investing in the Nordic region, on its agreement to sell Seagull to a fund managed by Oakley Capital.

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### **DLA Piper represents Locana in US\$55 million Series A financing**

23 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented Locana, Inc. in a US\$55 million round of Series A financing led by ARCH Venture Partners, with participation from existing investors Temasek and Lightstone Ventures.

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### **DLA Piper advises underwriters in US\$90 million underwritten follow-on offering for The Lovesac Company**

23 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented the underwriters in a follow-on public offering of 2.5 million shares of common stock of The Lovesac Company (NASDAQ: LOVE).

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### **DLA Piper advises Alsea on bond placement**

21 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented Alsea S.A.B. de C.V., a Mexico City-based operator of quick service restaurants, coffee shops and casual dining establishments in Latin America and Spain, in obtaining authorization from the Mexican National Banking and Securities Commission (CNBV) to issue a revolving registered public offering of short and long term senior notes valued at US\$523 million (MX\$10 billion), as well as conducting the first and second bond placements for a total amount of MX\$4 billion.

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### **DLA Piper advises New Signature in acquisition of Nebbia Technology**

20 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented New Signature, a Washington, DC-based provider of Microsoft technologies, in its acquisition of Nebbia Technology, a consulting provider focused on Microsoft's Azure cloud computing platform.

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### **DLA Piper advises Downer on acquisition of 50% of Repurpose It**

17 MAY 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Downer (ASX: DOW) on its acquisition of 50 percent of Repurpose It, a waste to resource business located in Victoria.

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### **DLA Piper advises IFC on Université Privée de Marrakech (UPM) financing**

16 MAY 2019

DLA Piper advised the International Finance Corporation (IFC), the World Bank's private sector organisation, on its EUR14 million senior loan to KMR Holding Pedagogique (UPM Group) subsidiaries including the Université Privée de Marrakech (UPM) in Morocco.

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### **DLA Piper advises Ping An OneConnect on Virtual Banking License**

16 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has advised Ping An OneConnect VB (OneConnect) on its successful application for a virtual banking license granted by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA).

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Onex Corporation in \$5 billion acquisition of WestJet Airlines Ltd.**

16 MAY 2019

On May 13, 2019, Onex Corporation announced that it had entered into a definitive agreement in which it will acquire all outstanding shares of WestJet Airlines Ltd. in an all-cash transaction valued at CDN \$5 billion.

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### **DLA Piper advises Life360 on AUD820 million IPO**

14 MAY 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised US tech company Life360 on its AUD820 million IPO and ASX listing – the largest IPO on the ASX this year and one of the largest tech debuts on the ASX ever in Australia.

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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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### **Press release: DLA Piper promotes Alla Kozachenko to partnership**

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has promoted Kyiv-based Corporate lawyer Alla Kozachenko to its global partnership as part of the firm's annual promotions round, effective 1 May 2019. With this promotion, DLA Piper has now eight partners in Kyiv.

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### **DLA Piper advises Sentica on sale of Chilit**

14 MAY 2019

We have advised Sentica Partners Oy and private individuals in the sale of Finnish IT company Chilit to Sweden-based Dustin Group AB.

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### **Mariana Lozza and Nicolas Teijeiro join DLA Piper Argentina**

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper Argentina announced today the addition of Mariana Lozza as a partner in the International Arbitration practice and Nicolas Teijeiro as a partner in the Corporate Finance practice. Both will be based in the firm's Buenos Aires office.

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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 Lightspeed Systems in investment by Madison Dearborn Partners**

6 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented Austin, Texas-based education technology company Lightspeed Systems in connection with a strategic growth investment it received from private equity funds advised by Madison Dearborn Partners, LLC.

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### **DLA Piper in Casablanca boosts finance offering**

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Fabrice Armand has joined the firm's Casablanca office as location head of our Finance, Projects & Restructuring Group. Fabrice was previously a partner in DLA Piper's Paris office in charge of the debt capital markets, derivatives, financial services and regulatory practices.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP ranked in 2019 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory***

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that thirty-eight of the firm's lawyers have been recognized as leading practitioners in the 2019 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*.

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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

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THG's international beauty offering.

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### **Bretton Woods Law Canada to join DLA Piper (Canada) LLP's Montréal office**

1 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce it has reached an agreement with the Montréal office of Bretton Woods Law Canada. Effective May 1, 2019, Bretton Woods Canada's team of four lawyers and an articling student will join DLA Piper Canada's Montréal office.

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

30 APR 2019

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DLA Piper today announced that 158 of the firm's lawyers and 64 of its practices were ranked in *Chambers USA's* 2019 guide.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Difference Capital Financial Inc. in combination with Mogo Finance Technology Inc.**

26 APR 2019

On April 15, 2019 Difference Capital Financial Inc. announced that it entered into an arrangement agreement pursuant to which it would acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Mogo Finance Technology Inc. DLA Piper Canada is representing the special committee of Difference Capital's board of directors, as lead counsel in this transaction.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. in three-party transaction with Universal mCloud Corp. and Fulcrum Automation Technologies**

26 APR 2019

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Universal mCloud Corp., Fulcrum Automation Technologies and Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. have announced the signing of letters of intent for a transaction under which Autopro and Fulcrum will be acquired by mCloud for consideration of cash and shares. DLA Piper Canada is acting on behalf of Autopro in this three-party transaction.

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### **DLA Piper advises BTIG as financial advisor to PAO TMK in US\$1.2 billion sale of IPSCO Tubulars**

26 APR 2019

DLA Piper advised BTIG, LLC as financial advisor to PAO TMK, a Russian manufacturer of steel pipe, in its US\$1.2 billion sale of IPSCO Tubulars Inc. to Tenaris, S.A.

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### **DLA Piper announces Pavel Bakoulev Scholarship Awards winners 2019**

26 APR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce the winners of the 2019 Pavel Bakoulev Scholarship Award. This annual scholarship is awarded to law students by DLA Piper's Moscow office in collaboration with Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia's leading law school. This year the scholarship was awarded to four Lomonosov Moscow State University students.

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### **DLA Piper Named International Law Firm of the Year at Russia Venture Capital Awards 2019**

24 APR 2019

For the fourth year running, DLA Piper has been named International Law Firm of the Year at the Russia Venture Capital Awards 2019. The awards are organised by Preqveca, an information and analytical agency devoted to the private equity industry and venture financing in Russia, Kazakhstan, Ukraine and other CIS countries.

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### **DLA Piper advises Phatisa on Meridian exit**

23 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Phatisa, a leading African development and private equity fund manager, and other minority shareholders, on the sale of a controlling shareholding in Meridian Group (Meridian) to Ma'aden, the Saudi Arabian based mining and metals company.

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### **DLA Piper represents Cowen and Canaccord Genuity as lead underwriters of Greenlane Holdings IPO**

23 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Cowen and Company, LLC and Canaccord Genuity LLC as the lead underwriters in the recently completed upsized US\$102 million initial public offering of Greenlane Holdings (NASDAQ: GNLN).

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### **10 rankings for DLA Piper Ukraine in the Legal 500 EMEA 2019 guide**

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper in Ukraine has been recognized and ranked in 10 key practice areas in the latest edition of The Legal 500 Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) 2019.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Natalie Prange**

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Natalie Prange to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Projects, Energy and Infrastructure Group.

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### **DLA Piper advises Summit Infrastructure Group in majority investment by SDC Capital Partners**

18 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Summit Infrastructure Group, Inc. (SummitIG), a network solutions and bandwidth infrastructure provider, in the sale of a majority stake in the company to SDC Capital Partners.

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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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### **K. Randolph Peak joins DLA Piper's Healthcare sector and Corporate practice in Dallas**

17 APR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that K. Randolph Peak has joined the firm's Healthcare sector and Corporate practice as a partner in Dallas.

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### **DLA Piper advises OMRON in US\$893 million sale of automotive electronics division to Nidec**

16 APR 2019

DLA Piper is representing OMRON Corp. in the ¥100 billion (US\$893 million) sale of its automotive electronics division, OMRON Automotive Electronics Co. Ltd., to Nidec Corp., headquartered in Kyoto, Japan.

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### **DLA Piper advises the Carlyle Group on its sale of VWD**

12 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised global investment firm The Carlyle Group on its sale of vwd Vereinigte Wirtschaftsdienste GmbH, a leading European provider of software solutions for investment professionals, to Infront ASA. Infront is a European market leader for real-time market data, trading, news and analytics applications based in Oslo, Norway.

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### **DLA Piper advises Riverwood Capital in its Series F investment in Sauce Labs Inc.**

9 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Riverwood Capital in its Series F investment in Sauce Labs Inc., a California-based provider of

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cloud-based mobile and web-testing platforms. In conjunction with the funding, Jeff Parks from Riverwood Capital will join the Sauce Labs Board of Directors.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Tilson Technology Management in SDC Capital Partners' US\$100 million investment**

9 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Tilson Technology Management in the completed transaction through which funds managed by SDC Capital Partners, LLC will invest US\$100 million in the company.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Vivo Capital as lead investor in Series D financing for MacuLogix**

8 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Vivo Capital, LLC as the lead investor in US\$38.7 million Series D financing for MacuLogix, Inc., a Harrisburg, Pennsylvania-based company providing eye care professionals with tools to diagnose and treat patients with age-related macular degeneration (AMD).

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#### **DLA Piper advises Custom Ink in its recapitalization by Great Hill Partners**

5 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Custom Ink, a leader in custom apparel for groups, companies and communities, in its recapitalization by private equity firm Great Hill Partners.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Securly in its acquisition of TechPilot Labs**

5 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Securly, Inc., an education technology company and provider of a cloud-based web filtering platform for school computers, in its acquisition of the business of Atlanta-based TechPilot Labs, Inc., a fast-growing provider of K-12 education technology.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Tally Energy Services in its acquisition of ReStream Solutions**

4 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Tally Energy Services in its acquisition of ReStream Solutions, LLC.

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#### **DLA Piper advised on financing for US\$1.34 billion consortium acquisition in Beijing, China**

4 APR 2019

DLA Piper advised an institutional investor consortium on the financing of its US\$1.34 billion acquisition of Dinghao Electronics Plaza, a landmark mixed-use office and retail complex located in Zhongguancun, Beijing.

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## **DLA Piper advises Lindström on the sale of personal protective equipment business to TOOLS Finland Oy**

3 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Lindström Group on the sale its personal protective equipment (PPE) business in Finland to TOOLS Finland Oy (TOOLS). The acquisition concerns the personal protective equipment service in Finland.

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## **DLA Piper kondigt partnerbenoemingen voor 2019 aan**

2 APR 2019

DLA Piper benoemt met ingang van 1 mei 2019 Jian-Cheng Ku en Jochem Beurskens tot partner. Wereldwijd benoemde het advocatenkantoor 77 advocaten in 20 verschillende landen tot partner.

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## **DLA Piper advises Beck & Pollitzer on the acquisition of montagen plus**

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Beck & Pollitzer on its acquisition of montagen plus and its wholly owned subsidiary montageprofis, a Nuremberg-based provider of machinery installation and relocation services.

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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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## **Travis Leach joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Phoenix**

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Travis Leach has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Phoenix, bringing new talent to the well-established group.

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## **Douglas Boggs joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Washington, DC**

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Douglas Boggs has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

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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

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Brussels.

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### **DLA Piper advises Suncorp on sale of Resilium**

29 MAR 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Australian insurer Suncorp on the sale of its authorised representative network, Resilium, through a management buyout.

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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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### **DLA Piper advises Varex Imaging Corporation on acquisition of Direct Conversion AB (publ)**

27 Mar 2019

DLA Piper advised Nasdaq GS listed company Varex Imaging Corporation, a leading innovator, designer and manufacturer of X-ray imaging components, on its acquisition of more than 90 percent of the shares in the Swedish company Direct Conversion AB (publ).

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### **DLA Piper advises Alsea on financing related to €575 million acquisition of Grupo Vips**

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DLA Piper represented Alsea S.A.B. de C.V., a Mexico City-based operator of quick service restaurants, coffee shops and casual dining establishments in Latin America and Spain, in the financing related to its €575 million acquisition of Spanish restaurant group Grupo Vips.

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### **Advising General Electric in Indonesia**

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper advised General Electric (GE) on two major deals for their transportation and distributed power businesses in Indonesia.

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### **DLA Piper advises Learnlight on acquisition of Arenalingua**

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised global language, intercultural skills and soft skills training provider Learnlight on its acquisition of Arenalingua, a leading German language training company.

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### **DLA Piper advises EWE on contract with Telekom Deutschland GmbH for joint venture “Glasfaser NordWest”**

25 MAR 2019

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DLA Piper has advised the energy and telecommunications company EWE and its subsidiary, EWE TEL, on the negotiation and signing of a joint venture agreement with Telekom Deutschland GmbH on the expansion of the fiber optics net in North-West Germany.

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#### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Stephen Wintermute**

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Stephen Wintermute to the firm's Vancouver office as an associate in the Securities & Capital Markets Group.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Seeing Machines Limited on £34 million capital raise**

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised technology company Seeing Machines Limited (AIM: SEE) on its most recent £34.3 million (approximately AU\$64 million) capital raising.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Haymaker Acquisition Corp. in closing of its business combination with OneSpaWorld**

20 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented Haymaker Acquisition Corp., a publicly traded special purpose acquisition company, in its US\$850 million business combination with OneSpaWorld, a global provider of health and wellness products and services on board cruise ships and in destination resorts around the world.

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#### **Patrick Anding joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Los Angeles and San Diego**

20 MAR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Patrick Anding has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Los Angeles and San Diego.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Pengana Capital Group on IPO for innovative Pengana Private Equity Trust**

19 MAR 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper is advising fund manager Pengana Capital Group Limited (ASX: PCG) on its initial public offering (IPO) on the ASX of the Pengana Private Equity Trust (ASX: PE1), Australia's first global private equity listed investment trust (LIT).

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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

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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's Eric Wang named a 2019 Rainmaker by the Minority Corporate Counsel Association**

15 MAR 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Eric Wang, a Silicon Valley-based partner who is co-chair of the Northern California Corporate and Finance practice, has been named by the Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA) to its list of Rainmakers for 2019.

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### **DLA Piper advises Lantern Entertainment in launch of Spyglass Media Group in partnership with Gary Barber**

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented Lantern Entertainment, an affiliate of Lantern Capital Partners, in the launch of Spyglass Media Group LLC, an independent premium content company focused on developing, producing, financing and acquiring motion pictures and television series for worldwide audiences, in partnership with former studio head Gary Barber.

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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 Ocean Outdoor on €51m acquisitions of Dutch groups Interbest and Ngage Media**

13 MAR 2019

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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 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 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 Ping An on investment exit from Bigo**

11 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented Ping An on its successful exit from its investment in Bigo Inc. (Bigo) in a buyout by NASDAQ listed YY Inc. (YY).

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#### **Prakash "PK" Paran, co-chair of Global Insurance and Corporate partner, moves to DLA Piper in New York**

8 MAR 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Prakash "PK" Paran has joined the firm's New York office as a partner in the Corporate practice. Paran, who serves as global co-chair of the firm's Insurance sector practice, was previously a partner in DLA Piper's London office.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Sviper on recent series a financing round**

7 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Hamburg-based mobile gaming studio Sviper GmbH on the recent completion of its Series A Financing. The round was led by Swedish MTG Gaming Holding AB.

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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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## **DLA Piper represents Tally Energy Services in their acquisition of Epic Lift Systems**

4 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented Tally Energy Services in the acquisition of Epic Lift Systems, a portfolio company of Intervale Capital. Tally is a private equity sponsored oilfield services company focused on North America shale that seeks to partner with innovative companies in technical oilfield products and services with opportunities for growth, consolidation, and differentiation.

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## **Melainie Mansfield joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice**

28 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Melainie Mansfield has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner who will work from the Chicago office.

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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 advises Allegro on share purchase in eBilet Polska**

27 FEB 2019

DLA Piper's Warsaw office has advised Allegro.pl on the purchase of shares in eBilet Polska, a market leading online ticket sales company operating in Poland's entertainment industry.

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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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## **Joshua M. Samek joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Miami**

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Joshua M. Samek has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Miami.

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## **DLA Piper advises FinLab on a seven-digit investment in Onpex's Banking-as-a-Service platform**

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised FinLab AG on a high seven-digit investment, together with existing investors, in ONPEX's Banking-

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as-a-Service (Baas) platform. ONPEX, which holds subsidiaries operating in Germany, Luxembourg and Hong Kong, will use the growth capital to expand its team and broaden as well as market its existing product offering.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Abry Partners in acquisition of Dr. Dental**

22 FEB 2019

DLA Piper represented private equity firm Abry Partners in its acquisition of Dr. Dental, one of the largest regional dental management service organizations in the Northeast.

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#### **DLA Piper advises NCAB Group AB on its purchase of Multiprint**

22 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised the listed Swedish company NCAB Group AB in connection with their purchase of the Danish company Multiprint A/S.

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#### ***Chambers Global* 2019 recommends DLA Piper (Canada) LLP**

19 FEB 2019

Nine DLA Piper (Canada) LLP practitioners have received rankings in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Global*, which conducts thousands of independent peer and client interviews every year to identify top legal talents from around the world.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Seequent Limited on its acquisition of Canadian software company Geosoft**

19 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised Accel-KKR and its portfolio company, Seequent Limited (“Seequent”), in connection with Seequent’s acquisition of Geosoft, a Canadian-based software company.

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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 (Canada) LLP featured in *Lexpert’s* “Top 10 Deals of 2018”**

18 FEB 2019

We are pleased to have acted on two of the transactions included in *Lexpert* magazine’s “Top 10 Deals of 2018” and congratulate our clients on these standout transactions that have been deemed among the most impactful in the country last year.

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#### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for CDW Canada Corp. in its acquisition of Scalar Decisions Inc.**

14 FEB 2019

DLA Piper Canada represented CDW Canada Corp. in its acquisition of Scalar Decisions Inc., a leading technology solutions provider in Canada.

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### **DLA Piper claims top ranking for Russian M&A deal count**

13 FEB 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 2018 league tables. The firm has also claimed the top spot on the Mergermarket league table for M&A (based on deal count) in Russia for the first time.

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### **DLA Piper advises Qualcomm in sale of Qualcomm Life to Francisco Partners**

12 FEB 2019

DLA Piper represented Qualcomm in the sale of Qualcomm Life, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Qualcomm Incorporated that offers end-to-end medical device connectivity, to private equity firm Francisco Partners.

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### **DLA Piper is advising Buddy Platform on AU\$71 million acquisition of LIFX**

12 FEB 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper is advising leading Internet of Things (IoT) and cloud-based solutions company Buddy Platform Limited (ASX: BUD) on its AU\$71 million acquisition of global smart lighting technology company LIFX and associated AU\$18.1 million placement.

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### **DLA Piper advises Raven Capital Management in US\$87.5 million acquisition of Open Road Films**

7 FEB 2019

DLA Piper represented Raven Capital Management in its US\$87.5 million acquisition of certain assets of Academy Award®-winning Hollywood studio Open Road Films.

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### **DLA Piper advises Alchemia on purchase of its own shares**

6 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised Polish company Alchemia S.A. on the purchase of over six million of its own shares, following its offer announcement made on November 14, 2018.

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### **DLA Piper strengthens Corporate and Employment practices in Stockholm**

6 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has hired partners Mikael Moreira and Björn Rustare to the firm's Corporate and Employment practices in Stockholm respectively.

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**DLA Piper has advised AON on its acquisition of Chapka Assurances, the specialist broker of online travel insurance.**

6 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised AON, global leader in services and consulting to companies in the areas of risk management, retirement and health, operating in 120 countries, on its acquisition of Chapka Assurances. With this deal, Aon demonstrates its commitment to accelerate its growth, especially in the very dynamic travel sector.

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**DLA Piper recognized in *LatinFinance* Deals of the Year awards**

6 FEB 2019

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the firm was recently honored at *LatinFinance*'s annual Deals of the Year award dinner, where the publication recognized outstanding transactions in the capital markets of Latin America and the Caribbean from October 1, 2017, to September 30, 2018.

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**DLA Piper Advises Global Firm RPS on Acquisition of Corview**

6 Feb 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised global professional services firm RPS on their AU\$32m acquisition of Australian advisory business Corview, strengthening its expansion across the Asia Pacific region.

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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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**Advocatenkantoor DLA Piper versterkt Corporate praktijk met komst Henk Arnold Sijnja**

5 FEB 2019

DLA Piper heeft Henk Arnold Sijnja per 1 april 2019 aangesteld als partner ter versterking van haar Corporate praktijk. Hij is afkomstig van Baker McKenzie. Daarvoor was hij partner bij Linklaters.

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**DLA Piper advises Maxwell Technologies in its acquisition by Tesla**

4 FEB 2019

DLA Piper advised Maxwell Technologies, Inc. (Nasdaq: MXWL), a leading developer and manufacturer of energy solutions, in the definitive agreement to be acquired by Tesla, Inc. (Nasdaq: TSLA).

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**DLA Piper advises Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi**

1 FEB 2019

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DLA Piper has advised Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi GmbH. Samsung Electronics joins a group of twelve international companies from a variety of industries. These include Allianz, Axel Springer, Bundesdruckerei, Core, Daimler, Deutsche Bahn, Deutsche Bank und Postbank, Deutsche Telekom, Lufthansa and Volkswagen Financial Services.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Patrick Burgess**

1 FEB 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Patrick Burgess has joined our Calgary office as a senior energy counsel. Pat brings to the firm over 34 years of experience in all aspects of energy law, including domestic and international oil and gas, property acquisitions and dispositions, property exchanges and diverse joint venture transactions.

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### **Richard Cheng joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Dallas**

31 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that Richard Cheng has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Dallas.

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### **DLA Piper advises fintech company Splitit on its IPO**

31 Jan 2019

DLA Piper advised global payment installment solution company Splitit Payments Ltd on its Australian Stock Exchange initial public offering this week.

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### **DLA Piper partners Sandra Wallace and Richard Obank named in The Lawyer's Hot 100 list**

29 JAN 2019

DLA Piper's Joint Managing Director for the UK and Europe, Sandra Wallace, and veteran Restructuring partner Richard Obank have been included in The Lawyer's Hot 100 list, published today. The prestigious list, published by legal magazine The Lawyer, comprises 'the standout lawyers in the UK – the most daring, innovative and creative lawyers from in-house, private practice and the Bar.'

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### **DLA Piper advises Amynta in acquisition of ClearView Risk Holdings**

28 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented the Amynta Group, a group of warranty, managing general agent and specialty risk companies and portfolio company of Madison Dearborn Partners, in its acquisition of ClearView Risk Holdings, LLC.

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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

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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 advises Geophysical Sub-Strata on its US\$400m medium-term note program**

24 JAN 2019

DLA Piper has advised Geophysical Sub-Strata Ltd. on the establishment of a US\$400 million medium-term note program and US\$151.5 million drawdown of 8.0% guaranteed notes due in 2023. The program dealer was Phillip Securities.

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### **The Finnish property investment market continues to develop strongly**

22 JAN 2019

After a busy year in the Finnish real estate market, DLA Piper's Real Estate team had a good share of the Finnish real estate transactions in 2018. The firm's lawyers worked on a total of 41 real estate and real estate financing transactions, acting as an advisor to the buyer, seller or the bank involved. The overall value of completed transactions in 2018 totalled approximately EUR 1.4 billion.

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### **DLA Piper partner Elia Montorio recognised in the Northern Power Women Power list 2019**

22 JAN 2019

DLA Piper's Manchester-based Corporate partner Elia Montorio has been included in the Northern Power Women Power List 2019, a list which recognises 100 women who have contributed to making a difference in their communities and raising awareness of gender equality across the North of England.

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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 practice, based in Singapore.

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### **DLA Piper advises consortium on successful acquisition of PEXA**

21 January 2019

DLA Piper has advised a Consortium comprising Link Group, Commonwealth Bank of Australia and Morgan Stanley Infrastructure on its successful acquisition for PEXA. The electronic property settlements exchange was formed in 2010 out of a Council of Australian Governments initiative focused on the digital transformation of property conveyancing.

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### **DLA Piper has acted as counsel for JTT Holding 2 ApS in relation to its divestment of Netgroup A/S to Sentia Group**

18. januar 2019

DLA Piper has acted as counsel for JTT Holding 2 ApS in relation to its divestment of Netgroup A/S to Sentia Group which is owned by Waterland Private Equity Investments B.V. and Infinius NV.

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## **U.S.-Ukraine Business Council re-elects Margarita Karpenko as member of their Executive Committee for 2019**

18 JAN 2019

Margarita Karpenko, Managing Partner of DLA Piper's office in Kyiv, has been re-elected as a member of the Executive Committee of U.S.-Ukraine Business Council (USUBC) for 2019.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Jonathan Fraser**

16 JAN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Jonathan Fraser to the firm's Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for TRG Group Benefits and Pensions Inc. in acquisition by Hub International Limited**

14 JAN 2019

DLA Piper Canada acted on behalf of the seller, TRG Group Benefits and Pensions Inc., in its acquisition by Hub International Limited.

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## **DLA Piper advises Summit Infrastructure Group in its majority recapitalization by SDC Capital Partners**

11 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented Summit Infrastructure Group, Inc., a network solutions and bandwidth infrastructure provider, in its majority recapitalization by SDC Capital Partners.

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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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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represents Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. and Sumitomo Corporation in the acquisition of the Pogo Gold Mine in Alaska by Northern Star Resources for US\$260 million**

7 JAN 2019

On September 28, 2018, Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. and Sumitomo Corp. completed the US\$260 million sale of the Pogo Gold Mine in Alaska to Northern Star Resources.

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## **DLA Piper has advised Gabriel A/S on the acquisition of Lithuanian fabric manufacturer**

3. januar 2019

Danish fabric manufacturer Gabriel A/S has signed an agreement on the acquisition of the Lithuanian fabric manufacturer UAB Baltijos Tekstilė (BTC).

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### **DLA Piper strengthens tax offering in Luxembourg with partner hire**

2 JAN 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Jacques Wantz as a partner in its Tax practice, based in Luxembourg. He will be joined by associate Emre Akan.

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### **J.A. Glaccum joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Washington, DC**

2 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announced today that J.A. Glaccum has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new partners**

2 JAN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2019.

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### **DLA Piper Advises Russia's Sberbank Investments on Acquisition of 10% Stake in Uralkali**

21 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised Sberbank Investments, an investment unit of Russia's largest bank Sberbank, on the acquisition of a 10.18% stake in fertilizer group Uralkali, the world's largest potash producer by output. The seller was Cyprus-based company Rinsoco Trading.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the sale of Belid Lighting to Accent Equity**

19 Dec 2018

Belid Lighting AB was established 1969 and is one of Scandinavia's leading manufacturers of lighting for the industry and home sectors as well as the "contract market". From its head office in Varberg, Sweden, the family Herstal has, throughout the recent years, consolidated the "Belid" and "Herstal" brands under the new brand, Belid Lighting.

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### **DLA Piper advises SoftBank Vision Fund in investment in Zymergen**

15 DEC 2018

The DLA Piper team representing SoftBank Vision Fund was led by partner Louis Lehot and included partner Craig Lang and associate Evan Youngstrom (all of Silicon Valley).

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### **DLA Piper advises Stillfront Group on acquisition of German game developer Playa Games GmbH**

14 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Swedish company, Stillfront Group AB, on its acquisition of Hamburg-based Playa Games GmbH.

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### **DLA Piper assists NewCap Holding A/S in selling Swedish assets**

14 Dec 2018

DLA Piper has assisted NewCap Holding A/S, which is listed on Nasdaq Copenhagen A/S, in selling the majority of the Group's Swedish assets.

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### **DLA Piper advises John Swire & Sons and Argent Energy on acquisition of Biodiesel Amsterdam**

14 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised John Swire & Sons and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Argent Energy, on the acquisition of Biodiesel Amsterdam (BDA)

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### **DLA Piper sees flurry of fintech activity in 2018**

13 December 2018

The Australian fintech industry is set for strong growth in 2019 and 2020 according to DLA Piper as Data Republic – advised by DLA Piper - joins a trend of local fintech's undertaking successful venture capital backed funding rounds in 2018.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized in 2019 *Legal 500 Canada* guide**

7 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that 42 firm lawyers across 17 practice areas have been recommended in the latest edition of the *Legal 500 Canada*.

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### **DLA Piper advises H.I.G. Capital on the acquisition of BollAnts Spa in Bad Sobernheim**

5 DEC 2018

DLA Piper has advised US asset manager H.I.G. Capital on its acquisition of the BollAnts Spa im Park in Bad Sobernheim, in the federal state of Rhineland Palatinate, completed with Hamilton Hotel Investors. The two parties involved have agreed the purchase price will remain undisclosed.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Fabjola Gera**

5 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Fabjola Gera to the firm's Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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### **Jason Harmon joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Baltimore**

3 DEC 2018

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DLA Piper announced today that Jason Harmon has joined the firm as a partner in the Corporate practice in Baltimore.

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#### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Eamon Hurley**

3 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Eamon Hurley to the firm's Calgary office as Counsel in the Corporate Group.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Russia's Transmashholding on the acquisition of a rail manufacturing facility in South Africa**

30 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised TMH Africa on the acquisition of a 45,000 sq.m. DCD Rolling Stock manufacturing facility in Boksburg, South Africa from DCD Group.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Ping An Global Voyager Fund on its first venture into continental Europe**

22 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised one of China's biggest financial conglomerates, Ping An Global Voyager Fund on its EUR 41.5 million investment in finleap, Europe's largest fintech company builder.

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#### **Catherine Gibson named one of Women's Executive Network 2018 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner**

22 NOV 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to congratulate Catherine Gibson, Managing Partner of the firm's Vancouver office, on being named a Women's Executive Network (WXN) 2018 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner presented by KPMG.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Downer Group on the restructuring of its joint venture with Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems**

22 November 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Downer EDI (ASX: DOW) on the restructuring of its joint venture arrangements with Japanese-owned Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems.

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#### **DLA Piper advises INEOS Enterprises in proposed US\$1.1 billion acquisition of Ashland Global Holdings' Composites business**

20 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented INEOS Enterprises in its proposed US\$1.1 billion acquisition of Ashland Global Holdings' Composites business.

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#### **Trevor Wong-Chor appointed Chair of Canadian Securities and Capital Markets Group**

20 NOV 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Trevor Wong-Chor has been named Chair of the Securities & Capital Markets service group.

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### **DLA Piper advises RealtimeBoard on its US\$25 million fundraising from Accel**

19 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised RealtimeBoard, a whiteboarding platform that allows teams to collaborate remotely, on its US\$25 million series A financing round led by the venture capital firm Accel.

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### **Christine Walchuk joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Northern Virginia**

19 NOV 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Christine Walchuk has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Northern Virginia.

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### **DLA Piper, Lomonosov Moscow State University, White & Case and PILnet held the eighth annual legal ethics course in Moscow**

19 NOV 2018

In November 2018 the Law Department of Lomonosov Moscow State University, jointly with DLA Piper, White & Case and the Global Network for Public Interest Law (PILnet), ran the annual training course on legal ethics for Russian law students from across the country for the eighth consecutive year.

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### **DLA Piper advises EquiAlt on the formation and offering of its US\$500 million Qualified Opportunity Zone fund**

15 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented EquiAlt LLC, in the formation and offering of their recently formed EquiAlt Qualified Opportunity Zone Fund, LP that purchases and develops properties within Qualified Opportunity Zones in Florida and other jurisdictions.

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### **DLA Piper and Imperial College Business School collaborate on ground-breaking data science initiatives**

14 NOV 2018

DLA Piper and Imperial College Business School have announced a collaboration to develop, test and apply a number of data science initiatives within the firm. The collaboration began with projects known as Data Sparks, within both the Corporate and Litigation & Regulatory practices, and it is anticipated that similar projects will roll out across the firm.

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### **DLA Piper advises Columbia Capital, LLC in its US\$21 million equity investment in Resilience360**

13 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented Columbia Capital, LLC in its US\$21 million equity investment in Resilience360 GMBH.

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### **DLA Piper advises Aradei Capital on the issuance of a MAD 600 million secured bond**

9 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised Aradei Capital S.A. (Aradei) with the issuance of a secured bond in a public offering of MAD600 million in five tranches.

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### **DLA Piper advises Avison Young in acquisition of GVA**

9 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented Avison Young, a Toronto-based global commercial real estate services firm, in its acquisition of GVA.

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### **DLA Piper advises ResMed in agreement to acquire MatrixCare for US\$750 million**

7 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented ResMed, a world-leading connected health company, in a definitive agreement to acquire privately held MatrixCare, a leader in US long-term post-acute care software, for US\$750 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises Webjet on purchase of Middle East headquartered Destinations of the World**

7 November

DLA Piper has advised Australian online travel business Webjet Limited on its US\$ 173 million purchase of UAE based Destinations of the World and related fully underwritten entitlement offer. Destinations of the World was sold by Abu Dhabi based private equity fund Gulf Capital.

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### **DLA Piper advises SolarWinds in its initial public offering**

6 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented SolarWinds Corporation (NYSE: SWI), a leading provider of powerful and affordable IT infrastructure management software, in its initial public offering.

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### **DLA Piper completes global compliance survey of initial coin offerings and securities token offerings**

6 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has completed a global compliance survey of initial coin offerings (ICOs) and securities token offerings (STOs), identifying how governments and agencies in more than 70 jurisdictions define, regulate and tax tokens and associated transactions.

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## **DLA Piper advises LaSalle Investment Management in the acquisition of Latitude Management Real Estate Investors**

2 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented LaSalle Investment Management (LaSalle) in the agreement to make a majority acquisition of the US\$1.2 billion debt fund business of Latitude Management Real Estate Investors (Latitude).

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## **DLA Piper advises Ovoca Bio on its acquisition of Russia's drug development company Ivix**

2 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised Dublin-based life sciences investor, Ovoca Bio, on its acquisition of Russian drug development company Ivix.

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## **DLA Piper advises Partners Group on sale of 'Nordic Living' portfolio to Heimstaden property company**

2 Nov 2018

Real estate investment firm NREP and global private markets investment manager Partners Group have sold a property portfolio known as the 'Nordic Living' portfolio, which consists of 8 residential properties comprising a total of 377 owner-occupied flats, 5 commercial rental units and 135 parking spaces.

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## **DLA Piper advises Haymaker Acquisition Corp. in its business combination with OneSpaWorld**

1 NOV 2018

DLA Piper represented Haymaker Acquisition Corp., a publicly traded special purpose acquisition company, in its US\$948 million business combination with OneSpaWorld (OSW), a global provider of health and wellness products and services on board cruise ships and in destination resorts around the world.

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## **DLA Piper South Africa advises AFGRI on the acquisition of the South African Bank of Athens Limited (SABA)**

24 OCT 2018

DLA Piper South Africa advised AFGRI Holdings Proprietary Limited, a leading agricultural services company, and GroCapital Holdings Limited on the acquisition of 99.82 percent of the issued share capital of SABA. The ordinary shares were purchased from the National Bank of Greece SA and NBG Malta Holdings Limited at a consideration of R300,883,705.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for Pinnacle Renewable Holdings Inc. in acquisition of 70% interest in Aliceville, Alabama wood pellet mill**

19 OCT 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted as lead counsel for Pinnacle Renewable Holdings Inc. in the acquisition of a 70% interest in an operating industrial wood pellet production facility located in Aliceville, Alabama from The Westervelt Company for approximately US\$37.1 million.

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## **DLA Piper advises Acciona on ground breaking project**

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18 October 2018

DLA Piper has advised global infrastructure company, Acciona, on its successful appointment as Engineering, Procurement and Construction Contractor to the Kwinana Waste to Energy project (**Kwinana WtE**).

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### **DLA Piper Strengthens Corporate Offering in Moscow with Partner Hire**

16 OCT 2018

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of Evgeny Glukhov as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Moscow.

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### **DLA Piper Mexico advises Invia Capital in its acquisition of Contenidos Financieros**

15 OCT 2018

DLA Piper Mexico represented Invia Capital in its acquisition of Contenidos Financieros, S.A. de C.V. (Infosel).

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP and DLA Piper Tokyo Partnership acted for Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation and Daishowa North America Corporation in the \$465 million acquisition of jointly owned Canadian pulp producer by Mercer International Inc.**

12 OCT 2018

On October 4, 2018, Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation and Daishowa North America Corporation announced an agreement to sell the shares of the jointly owned Daishowa-Marubeni International Ltd., to Mercer International Inc. DLA Piper Canada and DLA Piper Tokyo Partnership acted on behalf of the sellers.

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### **DLA Piper advises Family Trust Investor on founding of new private equity fund and expansion of investor base**

11 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised the shareholders of Family Trust Investor (FTI) on the founding of a new holding company for private equity transactions. With its new fund FTI has significantly expanded its existing investor base and raised an undisclosed amount of committed capital.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represents The Coca Cola Company in the sale of its Canadian bottling operations**

9 OCT 2018

On October 1, 2018 Coca-Cola Canada Bottling Limited announced that it had acquired Coca-Cola Refreshments Canada from The Coca-Cola Company. DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted as lead M&A counsel to the The Coca-Cola Company through all stages of the transaction.

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## **DLA Piper advises Amazon Filters on significant investment from the business growth fund**

9 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised the management team of Amazon Filters, a filtration equipment manufacturer, on the sale of a minority interest to the Business Growth Fund (BGF). The business will use BGF's funding to continue its organic growth and further expand its distribution network.

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## **DLA Piper advises James Hardie Industries in its €400 million debut euro bond offering**

4 OCT 2018

DLA Piper represented James Hardie Industries, a global manufacturer and marketer of fiber cement products, in its €400 million debut euro bond offering.

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## **DLA Piper advises STG Partners on the acquisition of Extenda and Visma Retail**

4 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised STG Partners, a California-based private equity firm focused on investing in innovative software, data, and analytics companies, on its acquisition of Visma Retail and Extenda, two of the most prominent technology providers in the tier 1 & 2 retail industry. STG Partners will merge both companies to form Extenda Retail.

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## **DLA Piper advises Jensens Food Group A/S on sale to Funen investor group**

2 oct 2018

After several years of declining sales, over summer this year the Jensens Bøfhus restaurant chain succeeded in generating a profit from operations as well as a marked increase in revenue and visitor numbers in the chain's 32 restaurants.

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## **DLA Piper advises pharma group Clinigen on two acquisitions to drive global expansion**

28 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Clinigen Group plc, the global pharmaceutical and services company, on the acquisition of CSM, a specialist provider of packaging, labelling, warehousing and distribution services, for an initial consideration of \$150 million. The firm has also advised Clinigen on the acquisition of iQone Healthcare Holding, a Swiss based speciality pharmaceutical business, for an initial consideration of €7.5 million (in each case on a cash free/debt free basis).

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## **DLA Piper Canada recognized by *Chambers Canada* 2019**

27 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized as an industry leader in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Canada*. With 34 lawyers recognized across 20 practices areas, this is DLA Piper Canada's strongest showing to date.

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## **DLA Piper advises India's second largest IT services firm Infosys on the acquisition of Fluidio**

26 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Infosys, a global leader in consulting, technology and next-generation services, on the acquisition of Finland-based Fluidio Oy, one of the largest Salesforce (software company) consulting partners in Europe.

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## **DLA Piper grows Real Estate and Corporate team in Rome**

24 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has added to its Real Estate and Corporate practice groups with three hires in Rome. Filippo Cecchetti, partner, joins together with Eleonora Laurito, legal director and Giulia Minetti Floccari, lawyer. All three hires come from Chiomenti Studio Legale where Filippo has worked as a partner since 2015.

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## **DLA Piper advises Laureate Education on the sale of private higher education group MSA**

20 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Laureate Education Inc, the world's largest private higher education network, on the sale of its majority stake in MSA to Advtech.

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## **DLA Piper advises Avidly (formerly Zeeland Family) on acquisition of HubSpot services provider**

17 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised marketing communications group, Avidly (formerly Zeeland Family Plc) on its acquisition of Avidly AB, a provider of HubSpot marketing automation services in Sweden, Norway and Denmark. The firm also advised on the private offering and listing on Nasdaq Helsinki. The new Company to be formed will operate under the name Avidly. The new ticker symbol is AVIDLY.

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## **DLA Piper advises Palisade on acquisition of equity stake in HCL fiber optic cable business**

14 September

DLA Piper has advised Palisade Investment Partners Limited (Palisade), on behalf of funds that it manages, on the acquisition of a significant equity stake with board representation in HCL Limited Partnership, HCL LP General Partner Limited and International Connectivity Services Limited.

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## **DLA Piper appoints two directors in South Africa**

12 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has strengthened its office in Johannesburg, South Africa with the appointment of two directors. Hendré Human joins the Corporate team from Webber Wentzel in Johannesburg, where he was a partner. Monique Jefferson joins the Employment team from Bowmans in Johannesburg, where she was a senior associate.

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## **DLA Piper advises Verivox on the acquisition of digital insurance manager app from Getsafe**

12 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Verivox on the takeover of a brokerage business and the insurance manager app solution from Getsafe. The app enables customers to manage existing insurance contracts digitally, receive advice online and acquire new insurance policies.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for Carnival Corporation in the US \$290 million acquisition of the White Pass and Yukon Route from TWC Enterprises Limited**

12 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted for Carnival Corporation ("Carnival") in the US \$290 million acquisition of the White Pass and Yukon Route railway ("WPYR") from TWC Enterprises Limited.

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### **DLA Piper's Africa practice triumphs at Africa Legal Awards**

11 SEP 2018

DLA Piper Africa is proud to announce that its Zimbabwean member firm, Manokore Attorneys, took home the 'African Law Firm of the Year - Small Practice' award at The African Legal Awards, which took place on Friday 7 September 2018 at The Wanderers Club, in Johannesburg, South Africa.

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### **DLA Piper advises BTG in acquisition of Novate Medical**

10 SEP 2018

DLA Piper represented BTG plc, a global specialist healthcare company, in its acquisition of Novate Medical Ltd.

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### **DLA Piper advises Sberbank on the Creation of a Digital Platform for the Restaurant Market**

6 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Russia's largest bank, Sberbank, on its joint venture (JV) with Rambler Group and several other investors to create Foodplex, a united digital platform for the restaurant market.

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### **DLA Piper advises Maryland Proton Treatment Center in US\$277.4 million tax-exempt municipal bond financing**

6 SEP 2018

DLA Piper represented Maryland Proton Therapy Center (MPTC) in its US\$277.4 million tax-exempt municipal bond financing.

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### **DLA Piper Supports Flick on its Strategic Capital Raising from Z Energy**

06 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Flick Energy Limited on its \$46 million strategic capital raising from Z Energy Limited.

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### **DLA Piper Advises Riversdale Resources on its \$70 million strategic placement to Hancock**

31 August

DLA Piper has advised Australian incorporated coal development company, Riversdale Resources ("Riversdale"), on its \$70 million placement to Hancock, resulting in Hancock's acquisition of a strategic stake in Riversdale. The investment values Riversdale at approximately \$500 million.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Wulff on acquisition of Mavecom Palvelut Ltd**

4 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised Wulff Group Plc, the expert in products for the workplace, on its acquisition of Mavecom Palvelut Ltd, and the share issue on the Nasdaq Helsinki.

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#### **Global corporate, securities, M&A lawyer and former general counsel Vanina Guerrero joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Silicon Valley and New York**

4 SEP 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Vanina Guerrero has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Silicon Valley and New York.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Zeeland Family on acquisition of communications agency Nitroid Oy**

4 SEP 2018

DLA Piper has advised marketing communications group, Zeeland Family Plc, on its acquisition of Nitroid Oy, and the private offering and listing of shares on the Nasdaq Helsinki.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Nemetschek on acquisition of MCS Solutions**

31 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised the software supplier Nemetschek SE on the acquisition of the real estate and facilities technology firm MCS Solutions in Belgium, Sweden, India and the USA. The acquisition sees Nemetschek SE gain access to the rapidly growing market in building management.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Kleos Space on the first ever Australian Stock Exchange IPO by a Luxembourg based company**

31 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Luxembourg based company "Kleos Space" on its initial offer to investors on the Australian Stock Exchange that floated last week. The offer comes in the lead-up to the planned launch of the company's first satellite, built by Danish cubesat manufacturer GomSpace, in mid-2019, to detect radio transmissions and pinpoint their origin and timing. Kleos Space offers satellite technology which responds to Governments needs for new technologies to support to enhance border and maritime security.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Russia's e-health startup Doc+ on US\$9 million funding**

28 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Doc+, one of the largest Russian digital health startups, on a US\$9 million financing from Vostok New Ventures, a Swedish venture capital firm specializing in growth capital and buyout investments, and their existing investors, private equity fund Baring Vostok and internet company Yandex.

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### **DLA Piper advises Ukraine's first foreign agribusiness on the sale of its assets**

24 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Atlantic Agro Holdings and DUI Holding on the sale of three companies: Kyiv Atlantic Ukraine (KAU), Atlantic Farms and Atlantic Farms II, which together formed Kyiv Atlantic Group, a grain, oil seed and vegetable protein processing agroholding.

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### **DLA Piper advises Baring Vostok on the acquisition of a minority stake in Belarusian software developer Itransition**

23 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Baring Vostok, a private equity fund investing in Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States, on its acquisition of a minority stake in Itransition, a leading Belarusian software solutions developer and full-spectrum IT services provider.

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### **Best Lawyers in Canada 2019 recognizes 72 DLA Piper (Canada) LLP Lawyers**

22 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have once more increased its rankings in the 2019 edition of *Best Lawyers*, with close to one-third of the firm's lawyers recommended as leading practitioners in Canada across key practice areas.

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### **DLA Piper Advises Sberbank Investments on Partnership with Acron Group for Talitsky Potash Project in Russia**

21 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Russia's largest bank, Sberbank, on the sale of a 19.99 percent stake in Verkhnekamsk Potash Company (VPC), the operator of the Talitsky Potash Project, to Acron Group, with a simultaneous sale of the same stake back to Sberbank Investments, as VPC equity financing investor.

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### **DLA Piper advises Nickel Mines Limited on AU\$200 million initial public offering**

20 AUG 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper advised Nickel Mines Limited (**NIC**) on its AU\$200 million initial public offering (**IPO**). NIC shares began trading on the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX**) today and its market capitalisation at the offer price is AU\$486 million.

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## **DLA Piper advises Transmashholding on joint venture with Hitachi to produce traction inverters in Russia**

20 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Russia's largest manufacturer of locomotives and rail equipment, Transmashholding, on its joint venture with Japanese industrial conglomerate, Hitachi, to produce traction inverters for passenger trains in Russia.

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## **DLA Piper advises on one of the largest venture capital Series C fintech rounds in Southeast Asia**

17 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Experian, the Dublin-based global information services company, as lead investor, and responsAbility Investments AG (rAp) and Deutsche Investitions - und Entwicklungsgesellschaft (DEG), as other investors, on the US\$28 million Series C investment in Singapore-based C88 Financial Technologies Group (C88). This is one of the largest venture capital Series C fintech rounds in Southeast Asia.

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## **DLA Piper advises Mesa Air Group, Inc. in its US\$115.6 IPO**

15 AUG 2018

DLA Piper advised Mesa Air Group, Inc. (NASDAQ: MESA) in its US\$115.6 million initial public offering.

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## **Tami Howie to join DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Washington, DC**

15 AUG 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Tami Howie will join the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

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## **DLA Piper's Natasha Luther-Jones and Peter Ihrfelt acclaimed in The Legal Power List 2018**

14 AUG 2018

DLA Piper global Co-Chair of Energy and Natural Resources, Natasha Luther-Jones, and the firm's Head of the Energy sector in Sweden, Peter Ihrfelt, have been named as two of the 100 most influential lawyers in the global wind energy industry, in *The Legal Power List 2018* published by the intelligence service A Word About Wind.

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## **DLA Piper advises Helios Technologies on acquisition of Custom Fluidpower**

13 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Helios Technologies (Nasdaq: SNHY) on the 100% acquisition of Australian business Custom Fluidpower for AU\$35 million (approximately US\$26 million) on 1 August, 2018. The acquisition was funded using cash and shares of SNHY common stock.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for the seller of CUL Administration of Canada Ltd. in acquisition by Auto Financial Group**

10 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented the seller of CUL Administration of Canada Ltd in its acquisition by Auto Financial Group

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Ashley Boyes**

7 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Ashley Boyes to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations group.

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### **Xavier Mangino joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Mexico City**

6 AUG 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Xavier Mangino has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Mexico City.

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### **DLA Piper makes latest partner hire in Germany**

3 AUG 2018

DLA Piper today announces that Corporate and Private Equity lawyer, Simon Vogel, is joining the firm as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Munich. This is the third Corporate partner hire for the firm in Germany in the last month, having recently appointed partners Gerald Schumann in Munich and Roland Maass in Frankfurt.

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### **DLA Piper team advises Mothercare on £32.5 million equity raise to save the company**

3 AUG 2018

A London capital markets team of DLA Piper advised baby and maternity retailer Mothercare plc on its placing and open offer in July, raising £32.5 million through an issue of new shares listed on the main market of the London Stock Exchange. The fundraising is part of Mothercare's restructuring programme, which also calls for Mothercare to close 60 of its UK stores and which should ensure financial stability for the retailer after challenging times.

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### **DLA Piper advises Liquidia Technologies in its US\$50 million IPO**

3 AUG 2018

DLA Piper advised Liquidia Technologies, Inc. in its US\$50 million initial public offering.

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### **DLA Piper advises Franklin Templeton Investments in its Series E investment into Optoro, Inc.**

2 AUG 2018

DLA Piper represented Franklin Templeton Investments in connection with its investment into Optoro, Inc.

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**DLA Piper advises Grupo Financiero Interacciones in merger with Grupo Financiero Banorte**

1 AUG 2018

DLA Piper represented Grupo Financiero Interacciones, S.A. de C.V. and its subsidiaries in a merger with Grupo Financiero Banorte, S.A.B. de C.V.

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**DLA Piper advises Brookstone Partners on the acquisition of AM Wind**

1 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised the US private equity fund Brookstone Partners on their acquisition of Morocco-based renewable energy company AM Wind from Altus and All'in Consulting.

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**DLA Piper advises Olive in US\$32.8 million Series D financing**

31 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented Olive, a technology company applying artificial intelligence to healthcare administration, in its US\$32.8 million Series D financing.

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**DLA Piper and cooperative firm lawyers recognized by the Latin American Corporate Counsel Association**

17 JUL 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that the Latin American Corporate Counsel Association have included eleven firm and cooperative firm attorneys on their list of Latin America's leading business lawyers.

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**DLA Piper advises Avison Young in investment by Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec**

16 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented Avison Young in connection with a CA\$250 million preferred equity investment in the firm by Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec.

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**DLA Piper Casablanca advises on acquisition of Moroccan Salts Ltd by Emmerson Plc**

13 JUL 2018

DLA Piper in Casablanca has assisted Moroccan Salts Limited (MSL) in its reverse takeover acquisition by Emmerson Plc, paving the way to its listing in the London Stock Exchange.

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**DLA Piper advises Cowen and Company in US\$35 million confidentially marketed public offering**

13 JUL 2018

DLA Piper advised Cowen and Company, LLC as the sole underwriter in the US\$35 million confidentially marketed public offering of common stock of Universal Stainless & Alloy Products, Inc.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Alfen on its acquisition of Elkamo**

12 JUL 2018

DLA Piper has advised Dutch-based specialist in energy solutions for the future, Alfen, on its acquisition of Elkamo, a developer and manufacturer of electricity distribution systems based in Finland.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Globant S.A. in US\$347.8 million follow-on public offering**

11 JUL 2018

DLA Piper advised Globant S.A. (NYSE: GLOB) in the follow-on underwritten offering of Globant shares held by a subsidiary of WPP plc.

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#### **DLA Piper retains top spot in Mergermarket's Nordics M&A league tables in the first half of 2018**

6 JUL 2018

For the second year in a row, DLA Piper has been ranked #1 legal adviser in the Nordics and #4 in Denmark (by deal count) in Mergermarket's M&A Report H1 2018. The firm was involved in 55 Nordic transactions with total value of US\$11.604 billion.

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#### **DLA Piper advised Morrison & Co on AU\$6 billion funds management transfer**

6 JUL 2018

DLA Piper has advised Morrison & Co (MCO) on the formal transition of its appointment as manager of Utilities Trust of Australia (UTA), effective 1 July 2018.

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#### **DLA Piper bolsters Corporate practice with partner hire in Beijing**

4 JUL 2018

DLA Piper has strengthened its Corporate practice with the appointment of US capital markets partner Yang Ge in Beijing.

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#### **DLA Piper advises IO Education in its acquisition by Illuminate Education**

3 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented IO Education in its acquisition by Illuminate Education, an education technology company.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Trupanion in follow-on public offering**

3 JUL 2018

DLA Piper advised Trupanion, Inc. in its follow-on public offering of common stock valued at approximately US\$69 million.

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### **DLA Piper represents Roth Capital Partners as lead underwriter of The Lovesac Company IPO**

3 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented Roth Capital Partners, LLC as the lead underwriter in the recently completed US\$64.4 million initial public offering of The Lovesac Company (NASDAQ: LOVE).

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Ilia Danef**

3 JUL 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Ilia Danef has joined the firm as a partner in the Toronto office. Ilia brings with him an extensive finance practice with a focus on debt finance. He also regularly represents clients in corporate transactions and mergers and acquisitions in the projects, energy and infrastructure and the financial institutions sectors.

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### **DLA Piper advises NEA and General Atlantic in their Series A investment into Automation Anywhere, Inc.**

2 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented co-lead investor New Enterprise Associates (NEA) and investor General Atlantic in connection with an aggregate US\$250 million Series A investment into Automation Anywhere, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Grand Canyon Education in the return of Grand Canyon University to nonprofit status**

2 JUL 2018

DLA Piper advised as outside corporate counsel for Grand Canyon Education, Inc in its sale of Grand Canyon University to a nonprofit entity.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the acquisition of the Austrian Haas Group by the Bühler Group**

27 JUN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Haas Group, the Austrian world market leader of wafer, biscuits, and confectionery production systems, on the sale of their global group to the Swiss company Bühler AG.

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### **DLA Piper strengthens Corporate practice with key partner hire**

22 JUN 2018

DLA Piper today announces that Corporate/M&A and Private Equity lawyer, Gerald Schumann, will be joining the firm as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Munich.

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### **DLA Piper secures victory for Transatel SA in landmark telecoms dispute**

20 JUN 2018

DLA Piper has secured a victory for the French telecommunications service provider, Transatel SA, in a dispute under telecommunications law before the Federal Network Agency (BNetzA). In this landmark procedure, the BNetzA ordered the German mobile network operator, Telefónica Germany GmbH & Co. OHG, to submit a draft agreement regarding access to regulated wholesale roaming services to Transatel.

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### **DLA Piper advises Authentic Brands Group in competitive auction for Nine West**

19 JUN 2018

DLA Piper represented Authentic Brands Group, LLC (ABG) in their purchase of the US shoe and accessories company Nine West Holdings Inc.

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### **DLA Piper Africa welcomes Zimbabwe member firm**

19 JUN 2018

DLA Piper Africa has announced that leading Zimbabwean law firm, Manokore Attorneys, is joining as the member firm in Zimbabwe.

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### **DLA Piper advises Immunomedics in US\$276 million follow-on public offering**

18 JUN 2018

DLA Piper advised Immunomedics, Inc. in its follow-on public offering of common stock valued at approximately US\$276 million.

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### **Craig Lang joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Silicon Valley**

18 JUN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Craig Lang has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Silicon Valley.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes associate Kevin Emamian**

18 JUN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Kevin Emamian to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate and Real Estate groups.

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### **DLA Piper advises Blackpoint Cyber in recent round of Series A financing**

15 JUN 2018

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DLA Piper represented Blackpoint Cyber, a Maryland-based cyber security company offering unique patented lateral spread detection and network visualization, in the recent completion of its US\$6 million Series A financing.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Profin Group and its shareholders on the sale of Profin Group to Inwido**

15 JUN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Profin Group and its shareholders on the sale of the entire share capital of Profin Group, a Finnish manufacturer of premium sliding doors and windows, to Inwido.

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#### **DLA Piper advises ADMA Biologics' follow-on public offering**

12 JUN 2018

DLA Piper advised ADMA Biologics, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADMA) in its underwritten follow-on public offering of common stock valued at approximately US\$40 million.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Insilico Medicine in Series A financing**

12 JUN 2018

DLA Piper represented Insilico Medicine Inc. in the completion of Series A financing led by WuXi AppTec's Corporate Venture Fund.

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#### **DLA Piper bolsters Manchester Corporate team with new partner hire**

12 JUN 2018

DLA Piper is appointing private equity specialist, Andy Phillips, as a corporate Partner to its Manchester office. Andy is an established member of the North West corporate finance community and an experienced private equity lawyer. He acts for private equity institutions and management teams on MBOs, MBIs, exits and portfolio acquisitions.

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#### **DLA Piper advises atHome Group on acquisition of Luxauto**

11 JUN 2018

DLA Piper has advised atHome Group, the leader in online advertising in Luxembourg, on the acquisition of Luxauto.

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#### **Kevin Grant joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in New Jersey**

11 JUN 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Kevin Grant has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Short Hills, New Jersey.

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## **DLA Piper boosts London Corporate practice with major partner hire**

6 Jun 2018

DLA Piper today announces that Martin Nelson-Jones will be joining the firm as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in London.

Martin will be joining the firm from Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, where he was a partner since 2001 and served as co-head of their global infrastructure and transport sector group. He specialises in M&A and has worked across a range of sectors, including energy and infrastructure. Martin advises both corporates and financial investors.

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## **DLA Piper advises Swedish Dustin Group AB (publ) on its acquisition of ITaito Oy**

5 JUN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Swedish company Dustin Group AB (publ), one of the leading Nordic re-sellers of IT products and additional services, on its acquisition of the Finnish IT solutions company, ITaito Oy.

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## **DLA Piper and Simmons & Simmons co-author a new book on hedge funds**

4 JUN 2018

Andrew Wylie, partner and Head of Investment Funds at DLA Piper, and Dale Gabbert, a partner at international law firm Simmons & Simmons, have co-authored the second edition of a book entitled 'The Law of Hedge Funds: A Global Perspective'.

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## **DLA Piper advises la Société d'Aménagement Zenata (SAZ) on landmark healthcare centre project**

29 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised La Société d'Aménagement Zenata (SAZ), the entity in charge of the overall development of the Zenata Eco-City in Morocco, on the signature of a cooperation agreement with the Saudi German Hospital Group to develop a healthcare centre.

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## **DLA Piper advises on the sale of Wigan Athletic Football Club**

22 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Whelan family in relation to the acquisition of Wigan Athletic Football Club by International Entertainment Corporation. The transaction is subject to approval from the English Football League and the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

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## **DLA Piper advises StackPath on its acquisition of Server Density**

17 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised StackPath, a leading secure edge services platform provider headquartered in Dallas, TX, on its cross-border acquisition of Server Density.

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## **DLA Piper Ukraine advises Ferrero on merger clearance for its US\$2.8 billion acquisition of Nestlé's US confectionary business**

17 MAY 2018

DLA Piper in Ukraine has advised Italian chocolate maker, Ferrero, on obtaining merger control clearance from the Antimonopoly Committee of Ukraine, for its US\$2.8 billion acquisition of Nestle's U.S. confectionary business.

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### **DLA Piper to launch new office in Dublin with leading partner hire**

15 MAY 2018

DLA Piper today announces that it will be opening an office in Dublin, Ireland, alongside the hire of partner David Carthy. The new office will focus on the Financial Services, Technology and Life Sciences sectors initially.

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### **DLA Piper advises Sentica Partner's portfolio company Purkupiha Group on its acquisition of the business of SK-Purku Oy**

15 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised Purkupiha Group, which specializes in heavy and special demolition as well as recycling and re-use of building materials, on its acquisition of the business of SK-Purku Oy. With this acquisition, the Purkupiha Group strengthens its heavy demolition business particularly in Eastern Finland.

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### **Emilio Ragosa joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in New Jersey**

11 MAY 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Emilio Ragosa has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Short Hills, New Jersey.

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### **DLA Piper appoints Corporate partner Stefan Luke in Brisbane**

8 MAY 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper has appointed leading transactional lawyer, Stefan Luke, as a partner of the firm effective today, 8 May 2018.

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### **DLA Piper advises Allianz Real Estate on stake in up to AU\$500M property fund**

7 MAY 2018

DLA Piper is advising Allianz Real Estate on the investment into a portfolio of student accommodation facilities in Australia through the new Scape Australia Joint Venture 2 Fund. The fund will invest up to AU\$500 million, focusing on student accommodation facilities in Sydney and Melbourne, it may also invest in the Brisbane, Perth, Canberra and Adelaide markets.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Gargi Chopra**

7 MAY 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Gargi Chopra to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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## **DLA Piper advises Beijing Enterprise Water Group on acquisition of TRILITY**

5 MAY 2018

DLA Piper advised BEWG International, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Beijing Enterprises Water Group, on its 100% acquisition of water utility service provider TRILITY by way of a competitive bid process.

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## **DLA Piper Russia Celebrates Tier 1 Ranking Once Again for Its Transport Practice**

3 MAY 2018

DLA Piper is delighted to announce that it has once again been ranked as the No. 1 transportation firm in Russia by Chambers Europe and Legal 500 EMEA in 2018, for the fourth and fifth consecutive years respectively.

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## **DLA Piper kondigt interne promoties en versterking Real Estate en Intellectual Property & Technology praktijk aan**

3 MAY 2018

DLA Piper heeft een aantal interne promoties aangekondigd. Philip Jonker (Corporate) en Wouter de Clerck (Litigation & Arbitration) zijn per 1 mei tot Legal Director benoemd. Adam Abou Habaga (Finance & Projects) en Laura Smit (Corporate) zijn tot Senior Associate gepromoveerd.

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## **DLA Piper advised on Boscastle sale to Pacific Equity Partners**

2 MAY 2018

DLA Piper advised Boscastle Pastries and Foods on its sale to Patties, owned by Pacific Equity Partners.

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## **DLA Piper advises Sentica Partners and Tesi on their acquisition of SuperPark Oy**

2 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised Finnish buyout firm Sentica Partners and state-owned investment company Tesi (Finnish Industry Investment Ltd) on their acquisition of SuperPark Oy.

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## **DLA Piper advises Waterlogic on Billi Group acquisition**

30 APR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Waterlogic on its 100% acquisition of Melbourne-headquartered Billi, a leading designer, manufacturer and distributor of boiling, chilled and sparkling filtered drinking water under-the-sink units operating in Australia, the UK and international markets.

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## **DLA Piper advises LabTech on £200M High Holborn acquisition**

26 APR 2018

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DLA Piper has advised LabTech Investments Inc on the acquisition of 90 High Holborn, a landmark office building in central London. LabTech is a technology and property co-working company whose strategy is to create modern collaborative co-working spaces using cutting edge technology.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the sale of Conviviality's retail and wholesale divisions saving almost 4,000 jobs**

26 APR 2018

DLA Piper has advised the drinks group Conviviality in connection with the sale of its retail business, which includes the Bargain Booze and Wine Rack brands, to the grocery wholesaler Bestway.

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### **DLA Piper advises Bregal Sagemount in sale of Remote DBA Experts**

25 APR 2018

DLA Piper represented Bregal Sagemount in the sale of its portfolio company Remote DBA Experts, LLC.

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### **DLA Piper advised AFL on landmark AU\$225M Etihad Stadium redevelopment deal**

23 APR 2018

DLA Piper advised the AFL (Australian Football League) on its historic AU\$225 million deal with the State of Victoria to redevelop Etihad Stadium and the surrounding Docklands precinct, with an extended 40-year commitment to host the AFL Grand Finals.

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### **DLA Piper advises Migdal on the acquisition of German light industrial portfolio for €56m**

13 APR 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Israeli insurance company and pension manager, Migdal, on its acquisition of three light industrial properties in Germany from ThreadGreen Industrial for €55.7 million. Migdal completed the acquisition in association with Cording Real Estate Group, a German, UK and Benelux real estate investment and asset management firm.

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### **DLA Piper strengthens Corporate team in Paris**

13 APR 2018

DLA Piper has strengthened its Corporate team in Paris with the appointment of partner Julien Vandebussche and senior counsel George Pinkham.

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12 Apr 2018

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### **DLA Piper appoints new Corporate partner in Hong Kong**

10 APR 2018

DLA Piper has appointed Henry Cheng as a partner to its Corporate practice based in Hong Kong.

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### **DLA Piper advises Pacific Energy on acquisition of Contract Power**

10 APR 2018

DLA Piper has advised power generation specialist Pacific Energy Limited on its AU\$90 million acquisition of Contract Power Group.

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### **DLA Piper advising Atlas on combination with Mineral Resources**

10 APR 2018

DLA Piper is advising Atlas Iron Limited (ASX: AGO) on its agreement with Mineral Resources Limited (ASX: MIN) to combine by way of scheme of arrangement in a deal that values the iron ore miner at AU\$297.6 million.

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### **DLA Piper advising Alliance Minerals on AU\$446M merger with Tawana Resources**

10 APR 2018

DLA Piper is advising SGX-listed Alliance Mineral Assets Limited (Alliance) on its announced merger with ASX-listed Tawana Resources NL (Tawana), positioning the company as a sizeable producer of high-demand lithium concentrate.

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### **DLA Piper in the Nordics advises Urbaser S.A. on its acquisition of RenoNorden AB and RenoNorden Oy**

9 APR 2018

DLA Piper represented Urbaser S.A. in relation to their successful acquisition of RenoNorden AB and RenoNorden Oy from the bankruptcy estate of RenoNorden ASA.

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### **DLA Piper advises Catapult on AU\$25M institutional placement**

4 APRIL 2018

DLA Piper has advised elite sports technology company Catapult Group International Limited (ASX:CAT) on its successful AU\$25 million institutional placement to fund its growth strategy.

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### **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2018**

3 APR 2018

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 62 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of 1

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April 2018 in the United States and 1 May 2018 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 42 different offices throughout 20 countries.

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### **DLA Piper advises Lux Capital Management on recent round of Series B financing**

3 APR 2018

DLA Piper represented Lux Capital in its investment in Mythic's recent US\$40 million Series B financing.

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### **DLA Piper advises industrial internet of things company MOVUS on funding**

3 APRIL 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised one of Australia's most exciting high growth companies, industrial IoT machine monitoring company MOVUS, on its Series A Venture Capital Funding Round.

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### **DLA Piper advises Lux Capital Management on recent round of Series A financing**

30 MAR 2018

DLA Piper represented Lux Capital in its recent investment in Array, Inc., a computer vision and machine learning platform for special effects.

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### **DLA Piper advises FMO on JCM Power investment**

26 MAR 2018

A cross-jurisdictional DLA Piper team from London and Toronto has assisted FMO (the Dutch development bank investing in growth and frontier markets) on its cornerstone investment into JCM Power.

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### **DLA Piper advises Industrious on recent round of Series C financing**

22 MAR 2018

DLA Piper represented Industrious in the recent closure of a US\$80 million Series C financing round co-led by Riverwood Capital and Fifth Wall ventures.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the sale of cyber security provider Nettitude to Lloyd's Register Group**

21 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised the shareholders of Nettitude, a market-leading provider of cyber security services, on its sale to Lloyd's Register Group ("LR"), one of the world's leading providers of professional services for the engineering and technology sectors.

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### **DLA Piper advises Invesco Real Estate on sale of hotel portfolio**

19 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised the global real estate investment manager, Invesco Real Estate (IRE), on the sale of a hotel portfolio

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consisting of four InterCity Hotels across Germany.

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#### **DLA Piper advises China Merchants Securities on HK\$462 million IPO of CS Mall Group**

19 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised China Merchants Securities (HK) Co., Limited, as sole sponsor, sole global coordinator and sole bookrunner on CS Mall Group Limited's (CS Mall) IPO and listing on the Main Board of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

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#### **DLA Piper advises ICV Partners in acquisition of Outpatient Imaging Affiliates**

15 MAR 2018

DLA Piper represented ICV Partners, LLC, a New York-based private equity firm focused on middle market companies, in its acquisition of Outpatient Imaging Affiliates, LLC, a leading provider of outpatient radiology services.

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#### **Diego Martínez joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Mexico City**

15 MAR 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Diego Martínez has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in the Mexico City office.

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#### **DLA Piper advises UK blockchain startup on \$1.5 million financing**

9 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Luther Systems, the London-based enterprise blockchain technology company, on the raising of \$1.5 million in seed financing from a group of global investors ahead of its official launch.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Accel-KKR on its investment in Kimble Applications**

8 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Accel-KKR, a leading Silicon Valley technology focused investment firm, on its investment in Kimble Applications, the global leader in professional services automation (PSA). The deal was completed on 6 March 2018.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Barings on the acquisition of an office building in Munich**

5 MAR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Barings Real Estate on the acquisition of an office building in the Obersendling district of Munich.

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#### **Leading investment funds practice joins DLA Piper**

5 MAR 2018

A six-partner team extensively experienced in the representation of institutional investors in connection with their alternative investments and other matters joins the firm.

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## **DLA Piper advises Framery and its shareholders in transaction with Vaaka Partners**

5 March 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Finnish company Framery, a manufacturer of soundproof office booths, and its shareholders in a transaction where the private equity investor Vaaka Partners' Buyout Fund III has invested in Framery . After the investment, Vaaka Partners and its co-investors will own 60% of the company.

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## **DLA Piper sponsors Mergermarket's Nordic M&A and Private Equity Forum 2018**

1 MAR 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that it is the lead sponsor of Mergermarket's Nordic M&A and Private Equity Forum 2018.

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## **DLA Piper advises LOGISTEC Corporation in acquisition of Gulf Stream Marine**

1 MAR 2018

DLA Piper represented LOGISTEC Corporation (TSX: LGT.A and LGT.B) in its strategic acquisition of Gulf Stream Marine.

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## **DLA Piper advises Sponsor Capital on acquisition in Finland**

28 February 2018

DLA Piper has advised Sponsor Capital, a leading Finnish private equity investment fund, on its acquisition of majority stake in Myllyn Paras. The transaction includes the company's operations in Finland and its two Finnish production facilities.

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## **DLA Piper advises Deutsche Bank on Paladin Restructuring**

28 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised Deutsche Bank on its special situations investment in Australian listed Paladin Energy Limited (PEL), which holds substantial uranium and mining assets in Namibia, Malawi, Canada and certain Australian states.

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## **DLA Piper launches funds offering in Paris with partner hire**

26 FEB 2018

DLA Piper is pleased to announce the launch of its funds offering in Paris with the hire of Corporate partner Benjamin Aller, who joins from the asset management consultancy, MJ Hudson.

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23 Feb 2018

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## **DLA Piper advises on the sale of Pharmazeutische Fabrik Evers to Bright Future Pharmaceutical Laboratories**

23 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised on the sale of Pharmazeutische Fabrik Evers GmbH & Co KG to the Chinese company Bright Future Pharmaceutical Laboratories Ltd. The company mainly produces natural health products for the urology and gastroenterology sectors, which are sold internationally with a strong presence in the Asian market, primarily Japan and China. The parties agreed not to disclose the purchase price.

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## **DLA Piper advises Fosun to become majority shareholder of Lanvin**

23 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised Shanghai-based conglomerate Fosun International Limited and its subsidiaries, on the acquisition of a majority stake in French luxury couture house Jeanne Lanvin SAS. Founded in 1889, Lanvin is France's oldest fashion house in continuous operation.

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21 Feb 2018

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## **DLA Piper advises Rosatom on joint venture with Lagerwey to boost Russian wind industry**

21 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised NovaWind, a Rosatom State Atomic Energy Corporation's unit responsible for new energy programmes in Russia, on its joint venture with Dutch turbine developer Lagerwey, to supply 388 turbines to Russian wind farms by 2022.

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## ***Chambers Global* 2018 recommends DLA Piper Canada**

20 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP professionals are once again featured in the latest edition of the *Chambers Global* guide.

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## **Four DLA Piper partners recognised in Jeune Afrique's Top 50 Lawyers in Francophone Africa 2017**

20 FEB 2018

DLA Piper is delighted to congratulate Litigation & Regulatory partners Michael Ostrove and Alexander Brabant, Finance & Projects partner Eric Villateau, and Corporate partner Christophe Bachelet, on their inclusion in *Jeune Afrique's* Top 50 Business Lawyers in Francophone Africa 2017 rankings. This year, more DLA Piper lawyers than ever before have been awarded a place on the rankings, with partners scoring individual record rankings for the firm.

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## **DLA Piper recognized as a global and national leader in M&A, private equity and venture capital by *PitchBook***

16 FEB 2018

DLA Piper is one of the most active law firms for M&A, private equity and venture capital deal volume and was the **only** firm to rank in the top five of each category in *PitchBook's* 2017 global league tables report.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Robbie Grossman**

16 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Robbie Grossman as a partner in the Toronto office. Robbie brings with him a significant cross border securities, M&A and corporate finance practice underscored by deep experience in acting for emerging issuers and public companies.

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## **DLA Piper advises China Merchants Group on US\$2.5 billion investment in China's JD.com logistic arm**

15 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised China Merchants Group (CMG) on its investment in JD Logistics, a subsidiary company of China's largest retailer JD.com.

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## **DLA Piper advises Herge Holding on \$192M sale of Nutriad**

14 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised Herge Holding on the sale of Nutriad, a global feed additives producer to Adisseo for a total consideration of \$192m.

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## **DLA Piper adviseert Herge Holding bij de verkoop van Nutriad aan Adisseo**

14 FEB 2018

DLA Piper heeft Herge Holding geadviseerd bij de verkoop van Nutriad aan Adisseo.

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## **DLA Piper advises Zeus Capital Limited as nominated advisor and broker on OnTheMarket plc IPO**

12 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised Zeus Capital Limited as nominated advisor and broker to OnTheMarket plc, operator of the residential property portal of the same name, on its listing on AIM and associated placing of shares, which began trading on Friday 9 February. The placing raised £30 million, resulting in a market capitalisation of approximately £100 million for OnTheMarket plc.

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## **DLA Piper advises Agilitas Private Equity-backed Relita in the acquisition of Betongborrhgruppen i Mälardalen (BBG)**

9 FEB 2018

DLA Piper acted as legal counsel to Agilitas Private Equity-backed Relita Industri- & Skadeservice AB, the Swedish division of Recover Nordic Group, a provider of damage control, emergency response and environmental services, in its acquisition of Betongborrhgruppen i Mälardalen AB (BBG), a company specialising in specialist demolition and remediation of concrete for real estate and construction projects in Sweden.

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## **DLA Piper advises Cabinet Group on Funcom joint venture**

9 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented Cabinet Group LLC on tax and Norwegian law matters in its joint venture with Funcom N.V., a Norwegian developer, to establish Heroic Signatures.

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## **DLA Piper advises Softbank Vision Fund in investment in Wag Labs, Inc.**

7 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented SoftBank Vision Fund in connection with its US\$300 million investment in Wag Labs, Inc., a Los Angeles-based startup that provides on-demand mobile dog care services.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Rohan Rajpal**

6 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Rojan Rajpal to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate Group.

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## **Three Leading Corporate Attorneys will join DLA Piper Martinez Beltran in Colombia**

5 FEB 2018

DLA Piper announced today that Juan Manuel de la Rosa, Felipe Quintero and José Miguel Mendoza, three leading corporate attorneys in Colombia, have joined DLA Piper Martinez Beltran as partners in the Bogotá, Colombia, office, boosting the firm's Mergers and Acquisitions and Corporate practices.

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## **DLA Piper advises Harrison Street on Crosslane joint venture**

5 FEB 2018

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised leading real estate investment firm Harrison Real Estate Capital LLC, on its joint venture with Crosslane Property Group UK, a real estate company specialising in purpose built student accommodation (PBSA) across the UK and Continental Europe.

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### **DLA Piper advises Oxford Properties in acquisition with CPPIB of south portion of St. John's Terminal site for US\$700 million**

2 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented Oxford Properties Group in a joint venture with the Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB) in the acquisition of a portion of New York City's historic St. John's Terminal site south of West Houston Street from Westbrook Partners and Atlas Capital Group for US\$700 million.

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### **DLA Piper launches training for Corporate Venture Capital professionals**

1 FEB 2018

DLA Piper, working with Global Corporate Venturing (GCV), is launching an online version of its course on *Best Practices for Board Members and Board Observers* at the GCV's Venture Summit in Monterey on January 31, 2018.

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### **DLA Piper advises MB Funds on its investment in Pohjolan Energia**

31 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Finnish private equity investor MB Funds on its investment in Pohjolan Energia Oy, the leading small-scale solar energy system provider in Finland.

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### **DLA Piper advises CORESTATE on its acquisition of micro-living asset Woodie in Hamburg**

30 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised CORESTATE Capital Holding S.A., a fully integrated investment manager and co-investor based in Luxembourg, on its acquisition of the micro-living asset "WOODIE", with 371 student apartments in Hamburg, Germany.

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### **DLA Piper advises healthcare analytics company Protenus in \$11 million Series B investment**

01 JAN 18

DLA Piper represented Protenus, a Baltimore-based healthcare compliance analytics company, in its \$11 million Series B financing round.

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### **Steven Bartz joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Dallas**

29 JAN 2018

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DLA Piper announced today that Steven Bartz has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Dallas.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Dechra Pharmaceuticals on acquisition of AST Farma and Le Vet**

29 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Dechra Pharmaceuticals PLC on the acquisition of AST Farma and Le Vet in the Netherlands for a total consideration of €340 million and an associated £100m placing to raise funds for the transaction.

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#### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP advises Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd. on \$125 million private placement of senior notes**

26 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd (TSX: TWM) in the issuance of \$125 million aggregate principal amount of 6.75% senior unsecured notes due 2022, by way of a private placement.

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#### **DLA Piper advises the founding shareholders of Deekeling Arndt Advisors on sale to Havas Group**

25 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the founding shareholders of Deekeling Arndt Advisors in Communications GmbH (DAA) on the sale of the majority of their shares to Havas Group. The founders Egbert Deekeling and Olaf Arndt who prior to the transaction held the majority of shares and also lent their names to DAA, will remain in charge over the long term and continue to head over the company's operative business as shareholders and managing directors. The company name will also remain unaffected.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Active Ownership Capital on the acquisition of brake system manufacturer PINTSCH BUBENZER**

25 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Luxembourg-based investment company Active Ownership Capital on the acquisition of PINTSCH BUBENZER, a leading provider of industrial brakes and subsidiary of Schaltbau Holding AG.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Beijing Sanyuan Foods and Fosun on the €625 million acquisition of French margarine maker St Hubert**

23 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Beijing Sanyuan Foods and Chinese conglomerate Fosun on the €625 million (US\$733 million) acquisition of French margarine maker St Hubert, a leading manufacturer of healthy spreads in France and Italy.

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#### **DLA Piper advises ASC Investment on the acquisition of VITRABLOK**

22 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Luxembourg-based private equity firm ASC Investment on the acquisition and the financing of VITRABLOK a specialist glass block manufacturer. This is the first acquisition for ASC Investment.

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#### **Julien Hansen appointed Honorary Consul of Antigua and Barbuda to the Russian Federation**

19 JAN 2018

The Government of Antigua and Barbuda has appointed Julien Hansen, Corporate partner and Head of the English law practice in DLA Piper's Moscow office, as the Honorary Consul of Antigua and Barbuda to the Russian Federation.

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### **DLA Piper advises ERG SpA on the acquisition of Windpark Linda from Vortex Energy**

19 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Italian energy company ERG SpA on its acquisition, from Vortex Energy Group, of Windpark Linda GmbH & Co KG, holder of project rights for a 21.6-MW wind project in the district of Wittenberg, Germany, as well as in connection with the associated project development documentation and the construction contract.

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### **U.S.-Ukraine Business Council re-elects Margarita Karpenko as member of their Executive Committee for 2018**

17 JAN 2018

Margarita Karpenko, Managing Partner of DLA Piper's office in Kyiv, has been re-elected as a member of the Executive Committee of U.S.-Ukraine Business Council (USUBC) for 2018.

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15 Jan 2018

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### **DLA Piper expands Finance & Projects and Corporate teams with double partner hire in Tokyo**

15 JAN 2018

DLA Piper is continuing to expand its leading Finance & Projects and Corporate teams with the appointment of two new partners in the Tokyo office. Kaoru Umino will lead the Finance & Projects practice and Dan Matsuda will lead the Energy sector within Tokyo's Corporate practice.

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### **DLA Piper advises Sentica Partners on two acquisitions in Finland**

15 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Finnish private equity firm Sentica Partners on the acquisition of a majority stake in demolition and recycling businesses Purkupiha and Dammega.

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### **DLA Piper advises Bernhard Schulte Group on the acquisition of Pronav**

12 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the Bernhard Schulte Group on its acquisition of 100 per cent of the shares in the LNG ship manager Pronav. The transaction is still subject to approval by the German Federal Cartel Office (Bundeskartellamt) and is expected to be completed in February.

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### **DLA Piper advises China Maple Leaf on HK\$1 billion share placing**

12 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised China Maple Leaf Educational Systems, a Chinese international school operator, on the over HK\$1 billion placing of shares..

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### **DLA Piper advises Caltius Equity Partners in sale of MC Sign, LLC equity interest**

12 JAN 2018

DLA Piper represented private equity firm Caltius Equity Partners in the sale of its equity interest in national sign and lighting provider MC Sign, LLC.

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### **DLA Piper advises Bewi on acquisition in Finland**

10 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised BEWi, one of the leading players in the Nordics for the development and production of insulation products and customized packaging solutions made from cellular plastic, EPS, on its acquisition of Ruukin EPS, a Finnish manufacturer of insulation material.

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### **DLA Piper advises Savills Investment Management on acquisition**

9 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised the property fund manager, Savills Investment Management, on the establishment of its new fund Nordic Fund III – Retail, and the fund's subsequent acquisition of four retail parks in Haparanda, Borlänge, Uppsala and Uddevalla in Sweden from IKEA Centres.

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### **DLA Piper advises Immunomedics on royalty funding and stock purchase agreements with Royalty Pharma which raised an aggregate of US\$250 million**

9 JAN 2018

DLA Piper represented Immunomedics, Inc., in the sale of tiered, sales-based royalty rights on global net sales of sacituzumab govitecan (IMMU-132) to Royalty Pharma for US\$175 million. Royalty Pharma has also purchased US\$75 million in common stock of Immunomedics, at US\$17.15 per share.

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### **DLA Piper advises OX2 on the sale of Stigshöjden wind farm**

9 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised OX2 on its sale of the 21.6 MW wind farm to Fontavis, a Swiss asset manager for energy and infrastructure investments.

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### **DLA Piper advises OX2 on the sale of Valhalla wind farm**

9 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised OX2 on its sale of the 357 MW wind farm to Aquila Capital, a leading European manager of alternative investments.

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## **DLA Piper tops Mergermarket's global league table for eighth consecutive year**

9 JAN 2018

For the eighth consecutive year, DLA Piper earned the top legal advisor ranking globally for overall M&A deal volume in 2017, according to *Mergermarket's* league tables.

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## **DLA Piper advises Laureate Education on the US\$162 million sale of its institution in Malaysia to Affinity Equity Partners**

8 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has advised Laureate Education (NASDAQ:LAUR), the world's largest global network of higher education institutions, on the sale of its global network institution in Malaysia -INTI University and Colleges (INTI)- to Affinity Equity Partners ("Affinity"), one of the largest independent private equity firms in the Asia Pacific region, for a total transaction value of US\$180 million. The net transaction value to Laureate under the Agreement will be US\$162 million.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes six new partners**

8 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to welcome six new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2018.

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## **DLA Piper welcomes David Smith to Leeds Tax practice**

8 JAN 2018

DLA Piper has strengthened its corporate tax practice with the appointment of David Smith, who joins the firm as partner and will be based in the Leeds office.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes important additions to the Restructuring group**

31 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to welcome Edmond Lamek as Partner and Danny Nunes as Associate Counsel to our national Restructuring group. Both Edmond and Danny will join our Toronto office.

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## **DLA Piper advises TH Real Estate on acquisitions of Florentia Village in China**

22 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised a newly established fund named Enhanced Real Estate Series APAC II - China Outlets SCSp known as COMF, managed by TH Real Estate, on the fund's acquisition of a pipeline of designer outlet malls under the "Florentia Village" brand in China, closing on two malls in Wuqing and Shanghai to start. The fund has equity commitments of US\$750 million, with a total capacity of US\$1 billion with gearing, and is backed by Allianz, Gaw Capital Partners, TIAA General Account, a Frankfurt-based German asset management company and others.

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## **DLA Piper lawyers and practices were highlighted in the 2017 directory of Who's Who Legal**

22 DEC 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce *Who's Who Legal* designated us as both the Real Estate Firm of the Year and the Franchise Firm of the Year for 2017.

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#### **DLA Piper advises purchasers of Barnsley FC**

21 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised international investor consortium BFC Investment on its acquisition of Championship football club Barnsley FC, from Oakwell Holdings Limited.

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#### **DLA Piper advises DFP Recruitment on sale of shares to Will Group**

21 DEC 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised leading Australian recruitment company DFP Recruitment Holdings Pty Ltd on the sale of 60 per cent of shares to Will Group Asia Pacific Pte Ltd, valued at in excess of AU\$14 million.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Washington H. Soul Pattinson on asset sale agreement**

20 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised Washington H. Soul Pattinson and Company Limited (ASX: SOL) (WHSP) on their asset sale agreement for the sale of a portfolio of securities to Acorn Capital Investment Fund Limited (ASX: ACQ) (Acorn Capital).

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#### **DLA Piper advises BuildingIQ on equity raising**

20 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised US technology company BuildingIQ (ASX: BIQ) on its latest capital raising to help fund the company's growing sales pipeline and 5i Platform services development.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Sinoma on merger with CNBM**

14 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised China National Materials Company Limited (Stock Code: 1893.HK) on its merger with China National Building Material Company Limited (Stock Code: 03323.HK), an unprecedented merger by way of share-exchange in the history of pure H-share listed companies.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Forge Energy LLC in US\$946 million sale of assets to Oasis Petroleum**

13 DEC 2017

DLA Piper represented oil and gas exploration and production company Forge Energy LLC in the sale of 20,300 net acres in the Delaware Basin to Oasis Petroleum Inc. in a US\$946 million transaction comprised of cash and stock.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Transport Company Ville Silvasti in its acquisition of Frank Nørager & Co. A/S**

13 DEC 2017

DLA Piper advised Transport Company Ville Silvasti (FIN) in the acquisition of Frank Nørager & Co. A/S (DEN).

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### **DLA Piper advises Croda International Plc on its acquisition of IonPhasE**

12 DEC 2017

DLA Piper advised UK speciality company, Croda International Plc, on its acquisition of Finnish technology company IonPhasE Oy.

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### **DLA Piper has advised BrainCool AB (publ) in connection to securing external financing of at least MSEK 100**

12 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised BrainCool AB (publ) ("BrainCool") in connection with BrainCool's securement of external financing through issuance of convertible notes with warrants attached. These will be delivered in several tranches of a total amount of SEK 100 million through convertible notes, and an additional SEK 80 million through warrants spread over 36 months.

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### **DLA Piper named one of the top five most innovative law firms in North America by the *Financial Times***

12 DEC 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce it was named one of the top five innovative law firms in North America by the Financial Times in its Innovative Lawyers 2017 report.

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### **DLA Piper advises Credible on this year's largest tech IPO on ASX**

11 DEC 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised US fintech company Credible Labs Inc on its AU\$300 million initial public offering (IPO) and listing on the ASX – the largest tech IPO of the year.

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### **DLA Piper advises Seeing Machines Limited on £35 million capital raising**

8 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised technology company Seeing Machines Limited (AIM: SEE) on its £35 million (approximately AU\$62 million) capital raising through a conditional placing and subscription of ordinary shares.

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### **DLA Piper (New Zealand) expands rankings in *Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2018***

8 December 2017

DLA Piper (New Zealand) is pleased to announce that we have been ranked top tier in *Investment Funds* and *Insurance*. 14 of our lawyers are ranked as *Leading Individuals* in their practice area with 4 in the new category of *Next Generation Lawyers*.

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### **Adam Ghander joins Corporate practice in Boston**

6 DEC 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Adam Ghander has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Boston.

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### **DLA Piper advises Downer on Reliance Rail's AU\$2 billion recapitalisation and refinancing**

7 DEC 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper, together with Fort Street Advisers, has advised Downer (ASX: DOW) in relation to the AU\$2 billion recapitalisation and refinancing of Reliance Rail.

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### **DLA Piper advises CMH Growth Fund on Ymatou investment**

4 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised CMH Growth Fund as the lead investor in the Series C financing of Ymatou, a leading e-commerce platform in China.

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### **DLA Piper advises Imagine Enterprises on acquisition of Holiday Planet**

4 DEC 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Imagine Enterprises Limited on its acquisition of Holiday Planet Pty Ltd, one of Australia's leading travel companies.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP expands rankings in *Legal 500 Canada***

1 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have achieved its best showing to date in *Legal 500 Canada*, with 11 lawyers gaining new rankings in the newly released 2018 edition.

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### **DLA Piper advises Solteq Plc on the acquisition of TM United A/S group**

1 DEC 2017

DLA Piper has advised Solteq Plc (Nasdaq: STQ1V) on its acquisition of the entire share capital of TM United A/S.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new restructuring partner Mike Weinczok**

1 DEC 2017

Mike's practice encompasses all aspects of business restructuring, distress investing and commercial lending.

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## **Sumitomo Metal Mining joint venture with IAMGOLD receives prestigious PDAC Award**

30 NOV 2017

DLA Piper Canada acted for Sumitomo in the transaction which involved Sumitomo and IAMGOLD establishing a strategic joint venture concurrent with the acquisition by Sumitomo of a 30% participating interest in IAMGOLD's ownership of the Côté Gold Project in Ontario for USD \$195 million in June 2017.

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## **DLA Piper client awarded Large Company Turnaround of the Year at IFT Awards**

27 NOV 2017

DLA Piper client Willerby Group, the UK's leading manufacturer of static holiday homes based in Hull, has been named as the winner in the Large Company Turnaround of the Year category at the Institute for Turnaround Awards in London.

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## **DLA Piper advises Stoneway Capital on \$165 million financing for combined-cycle power generation project in Argentina**

22 NOV 2017

DLA Piper announced today that it represented Canadian investor Stoneway Capital Corporation on two significant transactions, completed on November 15, 2017, related to the construction of a combined-cycle power plant in the province of Buenos Aires, Argentina.

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## **DLA Piper advises TotalErg S.p.A. on sale of 100% of its shares in three concurrent transactions**

22 NOV 2017

DLA Piper has assisted ERG S.p.A. and Total Marketing Services S.A. in the sale of 100% of the shares of TotalErg S.p.A., the 51:49 joint venture created in 2010 between ERG and Total, active in the distribution of petroleum products in Italy.

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## **DLA Piper advises ABRY Partners in Rackspace's acquisition of Datapipe**

20 NOV 2017

DLA Piper represented ABRY Partners, a private equity firm that focuses on media, communications, business and information services companies, in its sale of Datapipe, one of the world's leading providers of managed services across public and private clouds, managed hosting and colocation, to Rackspace and its controlling shareholder, alternative investment manager Apollo Global Management.

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## **DLA Piper advises Verivox on its takeover of Outbank**

17 NOV 2017

DLA Piper has advised the comparison portal website Verivox on the takeover of the business operations of Outbank from insolvency proceedings. Outbank offers its customers a multi-banking app and was originally founded as a start-up. Belonging to ProSiebenSat.1 Media SE, Verivox is thus expanding and optimizing its portfolio of tariff and price comparisons. The parties agreed not to disclose the purchase price.

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## **DLA Piper advise Kerzner International on its joint venture with Dolphin Capital Partners for the development and management of a luxury tourism project in Greece**

14 Nov 2017

DLA Piper has advised leading international developer and operator of ultra-luxury resorts and residences, Kerzner International Holdings Limited ("Kerzner") on its joint venture with private equity firm, Dolphin Capital Partners and Dolphin Capital Investors for the development and management of the One&Only Kéa Island, Greece, a luxury tourism project on the Cycladic island of Kea.

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## **DLA Piper advises Buddy Platform on AU\$23 million capital raise**

14 NOV 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised leading US-based Internet of Things data aggregation and management platform Buddy Platform Limited (ASX: BUD) (Buddy) on its AU\$23 million capital raising, via an oversubscribed placement.

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## **DLA Piper advises on the sale of shares in one of Egypt's fastest growing pharmaceutical companies**

9 NOV 2017

DLA Piper has advised Orchidia Pharmaceutical Industries (the "Company" or "Orchidia"), a leading ophthalmic generic medicine manufacturer and one of Egypt's fastest growing pharmaceutical companies, and Dr. Ossama Fouad Abbas, the founder, majority shareholder and Chairman of the Company, on the sale of a stake in the Company and two holding companies incorporated in Cyprus to Egyptian-American Enterprise Fund (EAEF).

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## **DLA Piper advising FirstRand on £1.1 billion takeover of Aldermore Group PLC**

7 NOV 2017

DLA Piper is acting for FirstRand, South Africa's largest financial services institution, who have put forward a £1.1 billion recommended offer for approval by the shareholders of Aldermore Group PLC, ("Aldermore") a British specialist lender and savings bank

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## **DLA Piper advises Aristocrat Leisure on US\$500 million acquisition**

7 NOV 2017

DLA Piper has advised Aristocrat Leisure, one of the largest global manufacturers of gaming solutions, on its successful acquisition of developer Plarium Global.

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## **DLA Piper ranked top-tier for M&A, Banking and Finance and Project Development in Ukraine by IFLR 1000 2018**

2 Nov 2017

DLA Piper's Ukraine office has been recommended in key practice areas by IFLR1000 2018, the annual guide to the world's leading financial law firms. The financial and corporate legal directory has ranked DLA Piper Ukraine as top-tier in three

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categories: M&A, banking and finance, and project development.

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### **DLA Piper advises Yougawalla Pastoral Company on AU\$70 million sale**

1 NOV 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper, together with Lamplugh McIntosh, has advised Yougawalla Pastoral Co. Pty Ltd on its approximately AU\$70 million sale of the Yougawalla cattle stations business.

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### **DLA Piper Advises ADG group on a Joint Venture with CJ CGV to Become the Leading Cinema Operator in Moscow**

30 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has advised ADG group, a pioneering Russian urban developer, on the establishment of a joint venture with South Korea's CJ CGV, the fifth largest multiplex theatre company in the world. ADG Group holds a 30% stake in the JV with a registered capital of US\$30 million, while CJ CGV holds all the remaining shares.

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### **DLA Piper advises LDC on disposal of Nexinto**

26 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has advised LDC on the disposal of Nexinto Limited, a German-based provider of e-commerce hosting sourcing solutions. Nexinto was acquired by The PlusServer Group, a market leading managed cloud services provider in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, owned by BC Partners.

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### **Jason Whiteley joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice as partner**

24 OCT 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Jason Whiteley has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner. Whiteley will be based in the firm's Houston and Washington, DC offices.

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### **DLA Piper acts as official legal partner for the Russian production of The Audience**

23 OCT 2017

DLA Piper is proud to have acted as the official legal partner of a project that brings to the stage a Russian production of Peter Morgan's celebrated play The Audience.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Charlie MacCreedy**

23 OCT 2017

Charlie brings extensive Canadian and cross-border experience in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, securities, corporate and business law.

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### **DLA Piper advises Domino's Pizza on the acquisition of Hallo Pizza**

19 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has advised Australian ASX listed company Domino's Pizza Enterprises Ltd. (Domino's) on the acquisition of Hallo Pizza Group from its sole owner Mr Axel Fassbach.

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### **DLA Piper represents Doc.ai in offering of Simple Agreements for Future Tokens**

18 OCT 2017

DLA Piper represented Doc.ai, an artificial intelligence company using blockchain technologies to improve healthcare, in its offering of Simple Agreements for Future Tokens.

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### **DLA Piper and the firm's Latin America relationship firms recognized in IFLR 1000 2018 rankings**

16 OCT 2017

DLA Piper and the firm's Latin America relationship firms have been once again recognized by the IFLR 1000 in the publication's 2018 rankings of the world's leading financial and corporate law firms and lawyers.

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### **DLA Piper represents Vivo Capital in equity financing of Harmony Biosciences, LLC**

13 OCT 2017

DLA Piper represented healthcare-focused investment firm Vivo Capital as the lead investor in a US\$270 million equity financing of Harmony Biosciences, LLC, a biopharmaceutical company that develops orphan and rare disease therapies.

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### **DLA Piper advises China Eastern Airlines on investment in Air France-KLM**

13 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has advised China Eastern Airlines (CEA), one of the largest Chinese airlines operating domestic, regional and international routes, on its strategic investment in Euronext Paris listed Air France-KLM (AFK). Through this transaction, CEA and SkyTeam alliance member Delta Air Lines (Delta) have each acquired a 10 percent stake in AFK's share capital within the framework of reserved capital increases. The transaction closed on 3 October 2017.

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### **\$name**

12 Oct 2017

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### **Japan External Trade Organisation appoints DLA Piper lawyers as outside counsel in Japan**

12 OCT 2017

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JETRO, Japan External Trade Organisation has appointed DLA Piper Corporate of counsel Mitsuharu Kataoka and Tax associate Keitaro Uzawa specialists or outside counsel in Japan.

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### **DLA Piper appoints new country managing partner in Finland**

6 OCT 2017

Matti Ylä-Mononen has been appointed Country Managing Partner of DLA Piper Finland. Matti is a highly regarded transaction lawyer with over 20 years of experience in capital markets transactions, M&A and corporate work.

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### **DLA Piper advises QHotels Group on UK's largest hotel deal of 2017**

3 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has advised hotel owner and operator QHotels Group on its acquisition via joint purchase agreement by China's Cindat Capital Management and UK investment firm Aprirose. The two purchasers will each acquire a 50 percent stake in the company.

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### **DLA Piper advises Ziraat Bank on its successful USD500 million issuance**

1 OCT 2017

DLA Piper has advised Ziraat Bank, Turkey's largest bank by deposits and number of branches, on its successful issuance of USD500 million 5.125% notes due in 2023.

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### **DLA Piper advises Huarong Investment Stock Corporation Limited on HK\$437 million investment**

29 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised Huarong Investment Stock Corporation Limited (Stock Code 2277) on its HK\$437 million investment in Hong Kong Stock Exchange listed company Freeman Fintech Corporation Limited (Stock Code 279) in the form of convertible bonds. The secured convertible bonds have a four percent interest rate payable semi-annually to subscribers.

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### **DLA Piper advises Sun European Partners on LBO acquisition of C&K group**

28 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised an affiliate of Sun European Partners on the leveraged buyout acquisition of the C&K Group from the American private equity fund Littlejohn&Co. Partly funded through a USD130 million multicurrency unitranche bond issuance arranged and subscribed by Tikehau Capital, the business was acquired for an undisclosed value.

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### **DLA Piper advises Service-Telecom on the acquisition of a leading regional telecoms tower company in Russia**

28 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised Service-Telecom, a leader in the telecoms tower infrastructure market in the Moscow Region, on the acquisition of a 100% stake in Link Development, the leading telecoms tower company in Northwest Russia.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP increases rankings in *Chambers Canada 2018***

29 SEP 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized for its expanding market leadership in the 2018 edition of *Chambers Canada*, garnering its highest number of rankings to date.

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### **DLA Piper advises JD Sports Fashion on joint venture in South Korea**

27 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised JD Sports Fashion Plc (JD), a sports, fashion and outdoor brands retailer, on a joint venture (JV) with Shoemaker Inc (SMK), a South Korean retailer of footwear, in relation to J&S Partners Inc, a company owned by SMK, which currently trades as the multibranded Hot-T fascia (Hot-T).

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### **DLA Piper acts for Ping An Global Voyager Fund in investment in 10x Future Technologies**

26 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has represented Ping An Global Voyager Fund, a fund sponsored by China Ping An Insurance Group, in its investment in European fintech company 10x Future Technologies. This is the fund's first investment since its inception in May 2017, and marks a major strategic partnership between Ping An and 10x Future Technologies, which will be looking to market its leading offerings in Asia.

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### **DLA Piper announces healthcare enforcement response team**

26 SEP 2017

To better serve the healthcare sector, DLA Piper has established a team of experienced professionals to address governmental enforcement proceedings arising from activity by HEAT and other regulators.

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### **DLA Piper advises Perusa on the acquisition of a majority interest in MBN GmbH**

25 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised the fund Perusa Partners Fund 2, L.P., advised by the independent Perusa GmbH, on the majority acquisition of 51 percent in MBN GmbH (MBN) in Friedberg, Bavaria. The parties have agreed to keep the purchase price confidential.

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### **DLA Piper advises the shareholders of NodeOne Group AB on the sale of all shares to Digitalist Group PLC**

25 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised the shareholders of NodeOne Group AB in relation to the sale of all shares in the company to Digitalist Group PLC, which is listed on the NASDAQ Helsinki.

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### **DLA Piper advises AviaAM Financial Leasing China on US\$500 million aircraft financing**

22 SEP 2017

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DLA Piper has advised AviaAM Financial Leasing China (AviaAM) on the acquisition, financing, leasing and delivery of eight Airbus A320 family aircraft for circa US\$500 million.

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### **DLA Piper establishes EU-Greek practice in Brussels**

21 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has today announced the establishment of a Brussels based EU-Greek practice.

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### **DLA Piper launches new platform for *Guide to Going Global* series**

20 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has launched a new platform featuring its *Guide to Going Global* series, an online resource designed to help companies operating and growing their international businesses.

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### **DLA Piper advises ATESTEO on the acquisition of straesser Group**

15 SEP 2017

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### **DLA Piper advises Perusa on the acquisition of Xindao Group under the holding company Huwest Holding B.V.**

13 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised the funds Perusa Partners Fund 2, L.P. and Perusa Partners Founder 2a, L.P., managed by Perusa, on the acquisition of the majority of shares in Huwest Holding B.V. from its founding shareholders. The parties have agreed not to disclose the purchase price.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the sale of shares in IOW Group**

13 SEP 2017

DLA Piper in Poland advised the shareholders on the sale of shares in IOW Group to Axel Johnson International AB. The completion of the transaction was subject to merger control clearance, which was issued by the President of the Office of Competition and Consumer Protection on 26 July 2017.

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### **\$name**

12 Sep 2017

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### **DLA Piper advises Updater Inc. on AU\$50 million equity raising**

12 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised US technology company Updater Inc. (ASX: UPD) on its AU\$50 million equity raising via an institutional placement.

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### **Christopher Ross joins DLA Piper Canada LLP's Tax Group in Vancouver**

11 SEP 2017

Christopher practises in the area of corporate and personal income tax, with particular emphasis on corporate reorganizations, mergers and acquisitions, and personal tax and estate planning. He also provides tax advice to donors, charities and other not-for-profit organizations.

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### **DLA Piper appoints Corporate Special Counsel Amit Jois**

11 SEP 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has appointed Corporate special counsel Amit Jois in its Sydney office.

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### **DLA Piper advises shareholders of taskforce – Management on Demand AG on sale to RGP Inc.**

9 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised the shareholders of taskforce - Management on Demand AG (taskforce) on the sale of the company to NASDAQ-listed RGP Inc. Upon closing, on 31 August 2017, RGP acquired 100 per cent of the shares. The parties involved have agreed to keep the purchase price confidential.

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### **DLA Piper advises Mitiska REIM and Luxembourg Investment Group on acquisition of retail park in Mönchengladbach**

7 SEP 2017

It is the first acquisition for Mitiska Reim in Germany. In addition to being a co-investment partner, the Luxembourg Investment Group will be responsible for the value-added renovation and enhancing returns through active asset management.

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### **DLA Piper advises Carlyle Group on acquisition of Prima Solutions**

6 SEP 2017

DLA Piper is advising global alternative asset manager, The Carlyle Group, on its acquisition of French insurance software vendor Prima Solutions for an undisclosed amount.

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### **DLA Piper advises Nordic LAN&WAN Communication Oy on its sale to Viria**

7 SEP 2017

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DLA Piper has advised Nordic LAN&WAN Communication Oy and its owners on the sale of their entire share capital to Viria Plc.

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## **\$name**

6 Sep 2017

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### **DLA Piper advises Falck Renewables S.p.A. on the acquisition of Vestavind Kraft AS**

5 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has assisted Falck Renewables S.p.A., an Italian listed company, in connection with the acquisition of 80 percent of the shares in Vestavind Kraft AS. Falck Renewables S.p.A.

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### **DLA Piper Nordic cross-border team advises Sponsor Capital and Kymppi Group in M&A transaction**

4 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has advised Sponsor Capital, a leading Finnish private equity investment fund, and its portfolio company, Kymppi Group, on the acquisition of Norwegian Solid Vedlikehold AS, which focuses on industry and offshore surface treatment applications.

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## **\$name**

30 Aug 2017

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### **DLA Piper advises Riverwood Capital in its growth equity investment into Druva**

30 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented Riverwood Capital, a private equity firm focused on high growth technology and technology-related companies in need of capital and expertise to scale on a global basis, in connection with its lead role in a US\$80 million growth equity investment into Druva, a Silicon Valley-based international leader in cloud data protection and information management.

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### **DLA Piper advises on the merger of Ele.me and Baidu Waimai**

29 AUG 2017

DLA Piper has advised Ele.me, one of the largest food delivery service providers in China, on its merger with Baidu Waimai, another giant in the industry.

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### **DLA Piper advises N365 Group Holding AB shareholders on its sale to Medioplanet**

29 AUG 2017

DLA Piper has advised the shareholders of N365 Group Holding AB (previously Nyheter365) in relation to the sale of all shares in the company to Medioplanet.

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## **China-Latin America Business and Investment Forum held in Beijing**

28 AUG 2017

The 2017 China-Latin America Business and Investment Forum held today in Beijing co-sponsored by global business law firm, DLA Piper, together with The Cohen Group and China Fortune Media Group, brought together over 100 key business, commercial and legal leaders from over 50 companies and organizations to discuss the burgeoning business and investment opportunities available to Chinese investors and businesses in Latin America.

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## **DLA Piper advises Avnet, Inc. on its acquisition of Dragon Innovation, Inc.**

23 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented Avnet, Inc. (NYSE: AVT), a global value-added distributor of electronic components, on its acquisition of Dragon Innovation, Inc.

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## **DLA Piper advises StarCompliance in a strategic capital investment by Luminare Capital Partners**

22 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented StarCompliance, LLC, a provider of enterprise compliance and regulatory software solutions in the financial services industry, in the recent capital investment by Luminare Capital Partners, a San Francisco-based private equity firm.

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## **DLA Piper advises Axalta Coating Systems on acquisition of Plascoat Systems Limited**

22 AUG 2017

DLA Piper has assisted Axalta Coating Systems, a leading global supplier of liquid and powder coatings, on its acquisition of Plascoat Systems Limited, a leading supplier of thermoplastic powder coatings, from its parent company, International Process Technologies Limited, for an undisclosed sum.

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## **\$name**

22 Aug 2017

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP achieves strongest showing to date in *Best Lawyers***

22 AUG 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has once again garnered top rankings in *Best Lawyers in Canada*, with close to one-third of the firm's lawyers ranked across 34 practice areas.

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## **DLA Piper advises on USD 500 million acquisition of Plarium**

16 AUG 2017

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DLA Piper, together with Herzog Fox & Neeman, lead counsel to the financial adviser Citi, had advised on the acquisition of Plarium Global by Aristocrat Leisure. The USD 500 million deal is due to complete before 2018 and is likely to be one of the largest deals of its kind within the Israeli market.

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### **Nicholas Kourides joins DLA Piper's Insurance practice in New York**

15 AUG 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Nicholas Kourides has joined the firm's Insurance practice as senior counsel in New York.

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### **DLA Piper advises Coliseum Capital on takeover bid for PAS Group**

15 AUG 2017

DLA Piper has advised US-based investment manager Coliseum Capital Management, LLC on its successful on-market takeover bid for The PAS Group Limited (PAS) (ASX: PGR).

The DLA Piper team was led by Head of Corporate James Philips, with senior associate Elliott Cheung and solicitor Jeffrey Chen.

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### **DLA Piper advises the Shammass Group in the sale of Downtown Los Angeles Auto Group**

14 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented the Shammass Group in the sale of Downtown Los Angeles Auto Group to Lithia Motors, Inc. Downtown Los Angeles Auto Group includes Audi, Chevrolet, Mercedes-Benz, Nissan, Porsche, Scion, Toyota and Volkswagen dealerships in Los Angeles, as well as a Nissan dealership in Carson, California.

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### **DLA Piper advises SoftBank Group in its Series E investment into Guardant Health**

14 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented SoftBank Group International, the investment arm of Tokyo-based telecommunications and internet company Softbank, in connection with its US\$360 million Series E investment and associated joint venture into Guardant Health, a Silicon Valley-based world leader in comprehensive liquid biopsies.

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### **Deanna Reitman joins DLA Piper's Corporate practice in Houston**

10 AUG 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Deanna Reitman has joined the firm's Corporate practice as of counsel in Houston.

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### **DLA Piper represents Accruent in acquisition of Lucernex**

10 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented Accruent, LLC, a leading provider of software and services that enable organizations to shape, drive,

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manage and control their physical assets, in its acquisition of Lucernex, Inc.

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### **DLA Piper advises Webjet on AU\$330 million acquisition of JacTravel**

9 AUG 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised digital travel business Webjet Limited (ASX: WEB) on the acquisition of leading European B2B travel wholesaler JacTravel for AU\$330 million (£200 million), and the associated AU\$164 million equity raising.

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### **DLA Piper advises Wind Point Partners in sale of Performance Optics to HOYA Corporation**

7 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented Wind Point Partners, a Chicago-based private equity investment firm, in the sale of Performance Optics LLC, including its operating subsidiaries Vision Ease Lens and Daemyung Optical Co., Ltd., to HOYA Corporation.

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### **DLA Piper advises Flacks Group on the acquisition of Dorma Beschlagtechnik GmbH**

3 AUG 2017

DLA Piper has advised Flacks Group on the acquisition of Dorma Beschlagtechnik GmbH, part of the dormakaba Group, one of the top three companies in the global market for access and security solutions.

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### **DLA Piper advises Wynwood Brewing Company in partnership with Craft Brew Alliance**

3 AUG 2017

DLA Piper represented Wynwood Brewing Company (WBC), a family-owned craft brewery based in Miami, in a strategic distributor alliance with Craft Brew Alliance (CBA), the fifth-largest brewing company in the US.

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### **DLA Piper advises Aetna Inc. on acquisition of Bupa Thailand**

2 AUG 2017

DLA Piper has represented Aetna Inc. on the acquisition of Bupa Group's Thai business, Bupa Thailand for an undisclosed sum. Aetna is a leading global healthcare provider and this acquisition will significantly increase Aetna's presence in Asia, and is key to the company's strategy to go 'broader and deeper' into local healthcare markets.

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### **DLA Piper adds Gislar Donnenberg to Corporate practice in Houston**

1 AUG 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Gislar Donnenberg has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Houston.

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## **DLA Piper appoints James Chang as Corporate partner in Beijing**

1 AUG 2017

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## **DLA Piper in New Zealand appoints three Special Counsel, one Senior Associate and two Senior Solicitors**

1 August 2017

We are proud to announce the appointment of Brad Cuff, Richard Tosh and Nicola Daly as Special Counsel to the firm. One of the core objectives of this leading global business law firm is to attract and retain the best talent, demonstrated in these promotions.

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## **DLA Piper advises Steadfast Group on the acquisition of a stake in unisonBrokers**

31 Jul 2017

DLA Piper has advised Steadfast Group Limited on their acquisition of a non-controlling stake in unisonBrokers AG to grow the global distribution platform for both networks. unisonBrokers will be renamed 'unisonsteadfast' following the transaction. The parties agreed not to disclose the purchase price.

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## **DLA Piper advises China Eastern Airlines on the strengthening of its strategic partnership with Air France**

28 JUL 2017

DLA Piper is advising China Eastern Airlines on a global joint venture between Air France KLM, Delta Airlines (Delta) and China Eastern Airlines (China Eastern), which have been consolidated by investments by China Eastern and Delta in Air France KLM.

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## **DLA Piper advises Falck Renewables S.p.A. on entrance to Norwegian market**

17 JUL 2017

DLA Piper has advised the Italian listed company, Falck Renewables S.p.A., on an agreement with Svelgen Kraft Holding AS, a Norwegian power generation company with a strong track record in renewable energy, to acquire a majority participation into Vestavind Kraft AS.

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17 Jul 2017

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## **DLA Piper advises Holland & Barrett on £1.8 billion sale to L1 Retail**

14 Jul 2017

DLA Piper has advised the management team of UK health food retailer, Holland & Barrett, on the £1.8 billion sale to L1 Retail, Mikhail Fridman's LetterOne investment business. The sale also represents a partial exit for private equity backer, the Carlyle Group, who acquired Holland & Barrett's parent company Nature's Bounty seven years ago.

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## **Maxwell Technologies completes its acquisition of Nesscap energy business**

13 JUL 2017

On April 28, 2017, Maxwell Technologies, Inc. completed its acquisition of substantially all of the assets and business, including the operating entities, of Nesscap Energy Inc. (TSXV: NCE) pursuant to a court approved arrangement under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario).

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## **DLA Piper ranks highly in the Ukrainian Law Firms 2017 Handbook for Foreign Clients**

12 JUL 2017

DLA Piper has topped rankings in a number of areas according to the Handbook for Foreign Clients, presented by Ukrainian Law Firms 2017. Areas include: Antitrust/Competition, Corporate and M&A, IT/Telecommunications and Media, Real Estate, Construction and Land, Retail, and Tax Consulting. Key mentions were also given to DLA Piper in the following core areas: Banking & Finance/Restructuring, Intellectual Property, Pharmaceuticals/Medicine & Healthcare, Tax and Litigation.

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## **Thomas Pilkerton III named to *The Daily Record* 2017 VIP List**

12 JUL 2017

DLA Piper is pleased to announce that Thomas Pilkerton III, a partner in the firm's Corporate practice, has been named to *The Daily Record* 2017 VIP List.

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## **Leading corporate environmental lawyer Jeffrey Salinger joins DLA Piper in New York**

7 JUL 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Jeffrey Salinger has joined the firm's Corporate practice in New York as a partner.

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## **DLA Piper advises Link Group on £888 million (AU\$1.49 billion) acquisition of Capita Asset Services**

10 Jul 2017

DLA Piper has advised Australian company Link Group (ASX: LNK) on the acquisition of UK-based Capita Asset Services division (CAS) of Capital Plc for £888 million (AU\$1.49 billion). Link Group was selected as the successful bidder following a competitive sale process. DLA Piper also advised Link Group on the related acquisition debt financing of £485 million (AU\$815 million).

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## **DLA Piper advises HOYER on the acquisition of the intermediate bulk container business of Ermewa**

7 Jul 2017

DLA Piper has advised the international logistics company HOYER, which is headquartered in Hamburg, on the purchase of the worldwide intermediate bulk container (IBC) business of the French company Ermewa Intermodal SAS. Ermewa Intermodal SAS is part of the Ermewa Group, which is a subsidiary of the state-owned enterprise SNCF Logistics.

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## **DLA Piper advises Dazzle Capital Holdings on the sale of commercial properties to Summit Germany Ltd.**

7 Jul 2017

DLA Piper advised Dazzle Capital Holdings on the sale of a commercial property portfolio in Wolfsburg to Summit Germany Ltd. The portfolio comprises five clusters to the south and west of the city centre and, based on the individual property values, is worth some EUR 101 million and has a gross initial yield of 7.76%.

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### **DLA Piper advises Greensmith Energy Management Systems in US\$170 million acquisition by Wartsila**

7 JUL 2017

DLA Piper represented Greensmith Energy Management Systems Inc., the developer of an energy storage software solution, in its acquisition by Wartsila, a Finnish manufacturer of marine and energy power sources, for US\$170 million. The acquisition, which was first announced in May, closed July 3.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP advised Assured Automotive in \$193.6 million sale of business**

5 JUL 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Assured Automotive Inc. in its sale of assets and business to Boyd Group Income Fund for \$194 million. Ontario-based Assured is the largest operator of non-franchised collision repair centres in Canada, while the Boyd Group is one of North America's largest operators of auto repair facilities. The purchase price was funded with cash consideration and Boyd Group Income Fund units, which trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX). With the acquisition, the Boyd Group expanded its network to 474 locations across North America, including 110 in Canada. Assured will continue to operate under its original brand name.

The DLA Piper transaction team was led by Robert Black and included Russel Drew, Lana Finney, Sarah Bode, Michael Richards, Bruce Darlington, Stephen Morris, Derek Sigel, Kevin Fritz, Nicholas Sharratt, Ryan Campbell and Diana Weir.

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### **DLA Piper represents AEye Inc. in US\$16 million Series A financing round**

5 JUL 2017

DLA Piper represented AEye Inc., a developer and provider of advanced vision hardware, software and algorithms that act as the eyes and visual cortex of autonomous vehicles, in its US\$16 million Series A financing round from Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, Airbus Ventures, Intel Capital, R7 Partners, Trucks Venture Capital and Tyche Partners, among other investors.

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### **DLA Piper advises Prospech Limited on Initial Public Offering**

26 Jun 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper is advising mining exploration company Prospech Limited on its initial public offering (IPO) of up to AU\$7.5 million. The indicative market capitalisation of the company on completion of the offer is expected to be around AU\$19.6 million.

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### **DLA Piper advises RetailMeNot, Inc. in its acquisition by Harland Clarke Holdings Corp. for \$630 million**

23 JUN 2017

DLA Piper represented RetailMeNot, Inc., a leading savings destination, in its completed tender-offer acquisition by Harland Clarke Holdings Corp., a best-in-class provider of integrated payment solutions and marketing services for \$630 million.

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## **DLA Piper advises PECO Real Estate Partners in a strategic joint venture with Almanac Realty Investors, LLC**

23 JUN 2017

DLA Piper represented PECO Real Estate Partners in the formation of PREP Property Group, LLC (PREP), a strategic joint venture with Almanac Realty Investors, LLC.

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## **DLA Piper advises ABRY Partners and AddSecure on acquisition of Chiron Security Communications**

22 JUN 2017

DLA Piper has advised ABRY Partners and its investee company, AddSecure, on the cross-border acquisition of Chiron Security Communications, with the transaction expected to complete in July 2017. With this acquisition, AddSecure takes a big step towards its goal to be the leading supplier of secure communications for alarm and IoT solutions in Europe.

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## **DLA Piper wins four awards and Marta Frąckowiak takes home Best in Corporate Governance at Europe Women in Business Law Awards**

21 JUN 2017

DLA Piper has won four awards at the seventh annual European Women in Business Awards at the Jumeirah Carlton Tower in London, including, Best Firm in Poland, Romania and Ukraine, and for the Best Gender Diversity Initiative by an International Firm for the seventh consecutive year.

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## **DLA Piper represents Bond International Software and Symphony Technology Group in acquisition of Erecruit and refinancing**

20 JUN 2017

DLA Piper represented staffing and recruitment software provider Bond International Software and private equity firm Symphony Technology Group (STG) in the acquisition of Erecruit, an enterprise staffing software platform from North Bridge Growth Equity.

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## **DLA Piper adds Corporate partner Danish Hamid in Washington, DC**

20 JUN 2017

DLA Piper announced today that Danish Hamid has joined the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in Washington, DC.

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## **DLA Piper assists the shareholders of Happy Plugs AB**

20 JUN 2017

DLA Piper has assisted the shareholders of Happy Plugs AB in connection with Scope's investment in the company. Happy Plugs designs and produces mobile devices such as headphones and speakers and has, among others, collaborated with H&M.

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## **DLA Piper advises Audinate on AU\$21 million IPO**

20 Jun 2017

Global law firm DLA Piper is advising international audio technology company Audinate Group Limited on its AU\$21 million initial public offering (IPO).

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized for restructuring transaction at 9th Annual International M&A Awards**

20 JUN 2017

The M&A Advisor has named the USD \$5.4 billion restructuring of Pacific Exploration & Production Corporation ("Pacific") "Corporate/Strategic Deal of the Year (Over \$1B)" at the 9th Annual International M&A Awards.

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### **Samantha C. Kernahan joins DLA Piper (Canada) LLP's Edmonton office**

19 JUN 2017

Samantha's seasoned expertise in intellectual property law and corporate/commercial law will add considerable depth to the firm's capabilities across sectors.

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### **DLA Piper advises Beijing BDStar Navigation Co., Ltd on the purchase of an interest in the in-tech Group**

19 Jun 2017

DLA Piper has advised BDStar as part of a bidding procedure on the acquisition of an interest in the company in-tech GmbH, a supplier for the digitization and the development in the area of automotive, machinery and transportation systems.

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### **DLA Piper berät Beijing BDStar Navigation Co., Ltd beim Erwerb von Anteilen an der in-tech Gruppe**

19 Jun 2017

DLA Piper hat die BDStar beim Erwerb einer Beteiligung an der in-tech GmbH, einem international agierenden Spezialisten für Digitalisierung und Entwicklung in den Branchen Automotive, Maschinenbau und Verkehrssysteme, beraten.

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