



## Yhtiöoikeus

DLA Piperin maailmanlaajuisesti toimivat yritys lakimiehet tukevat maailman johtavia yhtiöitä, kasvavia startup-yrityksiä ja rahoituslaitoksia niiden kehittämis- ja investointitoiminnassa.

Autamme asiakkaita fuusioihin ja yritysostoihin, riskipääomaan, yksityiseen ja julkiseen pääomaan liittyvissä asioissa sekä luotonantokysymyksissä liiketoimien kaikissa vaiheissa parhaiden tulosten saavuttamiseksi.

DLA Piper on täyden palvelun kansainvälinen yritys juridiikan asiantuntija. Tarjoamme asiakkaillemme kattavia yritys juridiikan palveluja kaikilla lainkäyttöalueilla, joilla toimimme.

Asiakkaamme hyötyvät globaalin näkökulman ja paikallisen osaamisen arvokkaasta yhdistelmästä, minkä ansiosta pystymme hoitamaan monitahoisia kansallisia ja rajat ylittäviä transaktioita. Toimialan ja asiakkaidemme päivittäisten tarpeiden ymmärtäminen on ratkaisevan tärkeää menestymisemme kannalta.

Siksi yhtiöoikeuteen erikoistuneille lakimiehillämme on lakiasiainkokemuksen lisäksi alakohtaista osaamista joko pankkitoiminnan, energian, terveydenhuollon, matkailun ja vapaa-ajan, vakuuttamisen, biotieteiden, valmistuksen tai teknologian alalta tai joltain muulta toimialalta.

Yhtiöoikeuteen erikoistuneilla lakimiehillämme on ensisijainen vastuu transaktioista, mutta heidän lisäksi liiketoimiteihimme kuuluu asiantuntijoita, joilla on kokemusta keskeisiltä liikejuridiikan osa-alueilta, kuten hyvästä hallintotavasta, immateriaalioikeuksista, teknologiasta, kartellilaeista, palkkauksesta, verotuksesta, rahoituspalveluista, sääntelystä, työsuhteista, eläkkeistä, arvopaperilainsäädännön noudattamisesta ja kiinteistöalasta.

### CAPABILITES

Autamme asiakkaitamme seuraavissa asioissa:

- rajat ylittävät fuusiot ja yrityskaupat (julkiset ja yksityiset), mukaan lukien:
  - alkuperäinen suunnittelu ja due diligence -menettely
  - kauppojen toteuttaminen
  - fuusion jälkeiset integroinnit
  - yhteisyritykset
  - kasvu muutoin kuin fuusioiden ja yrityskauppojen avulla

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### PALVELUT

- Työsuhdeasiat
- IP ja teknologia
- Verotus

### SEKTORIT

- Energia
- Rahoitus
- Vapaa-ajan palvelut
- Vakuuttaminen
- Biotieteet
- Teollisuus
- Teknologia

- pääomamarkkinat
- yksityinen pääoma
- sijoitusrahastot
- riskipääoma
- hyvä hallintotapa.

## EXPERIENCE

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### Awards and rankings

- **#1 Global M&A by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2010-2018)**
- **#1 European M&A by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2013-2018)**
- **#1 Worldwide Mid-Market and Small-Cap M&A deal volume (*Thomson Reuters* 2018)**
- **#1 Europe Private Equity - Buyouts by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2018)**
- **#1 Europe Private Equity - Exits by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2018)**
- **#1 Europe Private Equity - Buyouts & Exits combined by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2018)**
- **#1 Most active law firm in Europe for private equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)**
- #2 Most active law firm globally for private equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #2 Most active law firm in US private equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #2 Most active law firm globally for private equity buyouts (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #2 Most active law firm in the rest of the world venture capital deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #3 US M&A by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2018)
- #3 Global Private Equity - Buyouts & Exits combined by deal volume (*Mergermarket* 2019)
- DLA Piper is 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 (*PitchBook* 2018)

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### Trump issues Executive Order on securing information and communications technology and services – key points

16 MAY 2019

The order is issued pursuant to the National Emergencies Act and the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, the latter creating potential civil and criminal liability for those violating EOs and regulations issued under its authority - liabilities that can expand to include those who facilitate a violation.

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#### Israel Group News May 2019

9 MAY 2019

### ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

In this issue, our global activities, latest publications, coming events and more.

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## **Washington state HB 1450 is signed into law, limiting enforceability of non-compete agreements – key takeaways**

9 MAY 2019

The new prohibitions on non-compete agreements in Washington have the potential to greatly impact employers in the state both positively and negatively.

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## **So you want to go digital...**

11 APR 2019

This article assists businesses in identifying the core issues that must be addressed to ensure the legal sufficiency of transactions conducted on eSignature platforms.

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## **CJEU rules on economic succession in the Finnish asphalt cartel case**

29 MAR 2019

The European Court of Justice (CJEU) has ruled that corporate parents that acquired the shares of a cartel company may be held liable for damages caused by past infringements.

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## **DLA Piper in Latin America: 2018 in review**

28 FEB 2019

While challenges always lie ahead, we are excited by the region's continuing growth.

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## **Deadline to clear mergers ahead of uncertain Brexit**

22 FEB 2019

With no certainty over whether the UK will leave the EU with a withdrawal agreement in place, from Monday 25 February businesses planning mergers or acquisitions will need to plan for the alternative outcome - a no-deal Brexit - in their transaction assessments.

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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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## **Israel Group News**

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12 FEB 2019

## ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

In this issue, the rise of the Data Protection Officer, plus news and coming events.

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### Top of mind: Litigation

10 DEC 2018

Our coverage of big compliance, enforcement and litigation issues that businesses are thinking about this quarter.

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### Global Anticorruption Newsletter

5 DEC 2018

DLA Piper's *Global Anticorruption Newsletter* offers practical guidance on complying with international bribery laws.

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### Martial law is introduced in Ukraine starting from 26 November 2018

28 NOV 2018

On 26 November 2018, the Parliament of Ukraine imposed temporary martial law in some regions of Ukraine approving respective Decree of the President of Ukraine. The martial law is introduced in response to escalation of Russian aggression in the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov. The Law will come into force only after it is officially published.

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### Proposed regulations eliminate major US tax impediments to utilizing foreign subsidiaries for credit support

14 NOV 2018

Potentially increasing the ability of US corporate borrowers to provide credit support in the form of guarantees by, and pledges of assets of, their foreign subsidiaries/CFCs.

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### New Regulatory Era on Virtual Assets Activities in Hong Kong

5 NOV 2018

On 1 November 2018, the Securities and Futures Commission of Hong Kong (SFC) issued a statement, "Statement on regulatory framework for virtual assets portfolios managers, fund distributors and trading platform operators" (VA Statement) and an accompanying circular "Circular to intermediaries - Distribution of virtual asset funds" (VA Distribution Circular) (collectively, the VA Circulars), to announce a new regulatory approach on virtual assets activities, virtual assets portfolio managers and their distribution of virtual assets investment products in Hong Kong.

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### Israel Group News

24 OCT 2018

## ISRAEL GROUP NEWS

In this issue, legal developments worldwide that affect this dynamic ecosystem.

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## CFIUS pilot program mandates declarations for certain non-controlling investments in critical technologies

17 OCT 2018

The pilot program covers critical technologies in 27 industries.

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## New law adopted to facilitate division of Delaware LLCs

24 SEP 2018

Recent changes to the law governing Delaware LLCs will facilitate the division of Delaware LLCs and potentially provides a valuable new tool in corporate reorganizations involving this type of entity.

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## Podcast: Corporate PPAs - why merchant risk is here to stay

19 SEP 2018

Natasha Luther-Jones, DLA Piper Global Co-Chair of Energy and Natural Resources, speaks to Inspiratia about corporate PPAs, the lure of the Nordic market and why the most interesting deal structures will feature some element of merchant exposure

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## eSignature and ePayment News and Trends

14 SEP 2018

### [ESIGNATURE AND EPAYMENT NEWS AND TRENDS](#)

In this issue, remote notarization – US state requirements, plus blockchain, the new stablecoin, the validity of esignatures, and more.

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## LAWcast from the Nordics: The US-China trade war – views from China, the US and the Nordics

13 SEP 2018

### [LAWCAST FROM THE NORDICS](#)

The second edition of LAWcast from the Nordics – a podcast published by DLA Piper – focuses on the trade war between the US and China. DLA Piper representatives from Shanghai, Oslo, Copenhagen, Stockholm and Washington, DC discuss the subject from different perspectives and angles.

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## Positive signs for issuers and the marketplace: Argentina economic briefing

7 SEP 2018

The financial press continues to portray Argentina as another merging-market casualty but, to the contrary, there are a number of positive financial signs, for investors, the country and the marketplace, in today's Argentine economy.

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## English High Court guidance on the formation of Societas Europaea by merger

10 AUG 2018

Does the Brexit impasse call for a re-evaluation of the usefulness of the Societas Europaea?

Since the mid-2000s it has been possible to form or convert to a European Company or *Societas Europaea* (SE).

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## Israel Group News

26 JUL 2018

### [ISRAEL GROUP NEWS](#)

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## Congress finalizes CFIUS reform bill to broaden national security reviews of foreign investments

25 JUL 2018

A summary of the major changes FIRREA presents to the CFIUS review process.

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## Corporate reorganizations in the US: five key steps

24 JUL 2018

Corporate reorganizations can be complex and time-consuming. Here are five key tips to consider, taken from our US chapter of *Corporate Reorganisations*, part of the popular "Getting the Deal Through" Q&A comparative series.

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## Declinations for self-reporting on the rise under FCPA Pilot Program and Corporate Enforcement Policy

10 JUL 2018

The DOJ appears to be following through on its pledge to increase declinations in exchange for self-reporting potential FCPA violations.

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## LAWcast from the Nordics: China's growing focus on the Nordics

14 JUN 2018

### [LAWCAST FROM THE NORDICS](#)

In the first episode of our Nordic podcast we take a look at China as a market with huge growth opportunities for Nordic companies with Marianne Ramel, Kaare Oftedal, Lone Mouyal and Petri Morelius – advisors at the DLA Piper Nordic China desk.

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## LAWcast from the Nordics: Meet the DLA Piper Nordic team - M&A Trends in the region - China's growing focus on the Nordics

5 MAY 2018

### [LAWCAST FROM THE NORDICS](#)

The first episode of our Nordic podcast features M&A trends and the Nordic corporate market and takes a look at China as a market with huge growth opportunities for Nordic companies

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## Israel Group News

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20 FEB 2018

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### **Business and Human Rights: interaction of human rights impact assessment and legal advisory work**

5 FEB 2018

Adding a human rights layer to legal and commercial considerations can raise complex challenges for businesses and their advisors. For business lawyers and their clients, addressing these challenges requires more than just technical, legal advice and purely legal solutions.

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### **2018 outlook for drugs and medical devices in China: regulatory reform fueled by innovation**

18 JAN 2018

The year 2017 ended with a central government directive to reform the regulatory approval system for drugs and medical devices and a subsequent flood of CFDA changes and proposed changes to the system, and we should see further regulatory reform in 2018 as the Chinese government continues to encourage domestic innovation in this sector.

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### **Restructuring Global Insight - Secured creditors, new pre-insolvency restructuring regime, and more**

21 DEC 2017

## RESTRUCTURING E-NEWSLETTER - GLOBAL INSIGHT SERIES

Welcome to the 22nd edition of DLA Piper's Restructuring Global Insight and the final one of 2017.

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### **The role of mediation in business and human rights disputes**

20 DEC 2017

The United Nations Forum on Business and Human Rights brings together business, governments, civil society and the legal profession to develop thinking and share best practice in this emerging area of law and practice. At the 6th Annual Forum, DLA Piper lawyers Sarah Ellington and Jess Hogan were joined by representatives from Anti-Slavery International, Doughty Street Chambers, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer and Sancroft International to present a live mediation role play. The role play was intended to explore the potential for mediation to resolve business and human rights disputes, particularly in cross-border cases.

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### **United Nations Forum on Business and Human Rights - lessons for business lawyers and their clients**

20 DEC 2017

This year, the United Nations Forum on Business and Human Rights brought together businesses, governments and civil society to develop thinking and share best practice in this emerging area of law and practice. For businesses, a number of key themes continue to develop pushing respect for human rights and responsible business conduct further up the corporate agenda.

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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

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## ***Israel Group News***

7 DEC 2017

### **ISRAEL GROUP NEWS**

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## **Attempt to implement pre-pack procedures in Belgium fails**

18 OCT 2017

On 2 April 2017, a draft bill broadly addressing bankruptcy reform was submitted by the Belgian Government to the House of Representatives. While the bill was adopted in mid-July 2017 and will apply to insolvency proceedings opened on or after 1 May 2018, the attempt to include pre-pack procedures in the reform has failed.

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## **Assigning liquidator rights to sue: what has been created?**

18 OCT 2017

Following a suite of recent reforms to Australian insolvency laws, liquidators are now able to assign rights to sue, conferred on them personally by the Corporations Act.

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## **The intersection of Federal Civil Enforcement: claims and healthcare restructurings**

18 OCT 2017

It is well known that the healthcare industry as a whole has undergone significant changes, challenges and uncertainties in recent years... Taken together, these challenges have caused a number of healthcare companies to financially struggle and have resulted in a number of restructurings.

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## **Restructuring Global Insight - Healthcare, consumer credit, and more**

18 OCT 2017

### **RESTRUCTURING E-NEWSLETTER - GLOBAL INSIGHT SERIES**

In this edition, we start by looking at two highly regulated sectors: healthcare and consumer credit.

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## **Trade secrets are more important, and trade secret litigation is more common**

29 SEP 2017

What do you need to be considering to protect your company in this environment?

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## **Global M&A Intelligence Report 2017**

20 SEP 2017

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The 2017 Global report is an analysis of over 1,000 private M&A deals over the last 3 years and offers a unique insight into current trends in M&A. The launch events provide an opportunity for key clients and contacts to network with other M&A professionals and discuss those findings.

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### **In the latest issue of *Israel Group News***

11 SEP 2017

Helping to create opportunities for Israeli companies by leveraging our global relationships.

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### **Guide to Going Global: Corporate**

We touch on a wide range of corporate issues for companies expanding internationally, including establishing a corporate presence and choice of entity, liability considerations, tax presence and tax filings, capital requirements, the formation process, director, officer and shareholder requirements, registration processes, office lease processes and possible exit strategies.

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### **New guidance for lawyers advising clients on human rights risks**

19 JUL 2017

On 17 July 2017, the International Bar Association Legal Policy and Research Unit (LPRU) released a *Handbook for Lawyers on Business and Human Rights* to provide guidance for business lawyers and their corporate clients on how to address human rights risks in corporate and commercial transactions.

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### **Restructuring Global Insight - Strategies of investing in distressed debt, and more**

7 JUL 2017

#### **[RESTRUCTURING E-NEWSLETTER - GLOBAL INSIGHT SERIES](#)**

In this edition we continue the topic of legislative reform, with articles concerning new safe harbour provisions in Australia, laws to facilitate the better coordination of corporate group insolvencies in Germany, and more.

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### **Changes to UK's PSC regime**

5 JUL 2017

On 26 June 2017, changes were made to the PSC regime to ensure full compliance by the UK with the requirements of the EU Fourth Money Laundering Directive (4MLD).

This bulletin highlights the key changes and the actions companies should take to ensure that they comply with the new requirements.

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### **Using representations and warranties insurance in global M&A deals: 8 questions and answers**

16 FEB 2016

R&W insurance can offer both buyers and sellers the additional confidence often needed to close the deal. Such insurance may be especially useful in global M&A transactions, particularly in Latin America.

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### **Slavery in the supply chain: new corporate reporting obligations for companies**

9 DEC 2015

#### **HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS SERIES**

The UK's Modern Slavery Act 2015 is in force, imposing on companies new reporting requirements and new enforcement powers, including the creation of an Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner.

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### **Plan now to use off-band communications during an incident response: key points**

27 OCT 2015

A robust IR plan should include communications techniques that operate outside regular company communication methods.

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### **International tax and withholding considerations for US companies and their directors**

19 MAY 2015

Multinationals commonly elect boards with international representation; it is also common to convene board meetings outside the US. US companies that do either – or both – of these things must be mindful of any resulting US or foreign tax implications

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### **A new test for Mexico's structural changes: antitrust reform – key points in one chart**

16 JUN 2014

This entirely new framework should be carefully analyzed by investors in structuring their Mexico-related M&A transactions and managing their existing operations

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### **Congress, Administration move forward to secure critical US infrastructure**

11 JUL 2013

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### **Cybersecurity and US federal public procurements: what contractors need to know**

11 MAR 2013

Practical considerations for US federal contractors

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### **Conflict mineral reporting rules impact many public companies: *new supply chain requirements and new Form SD***

19 Sep 2012

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Understanding the new reporting requirements.

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## **Federal agencies, Congress accelerate defense against cyber attacks – every private company will be affected**

21 Mar 2012

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## **Events**

### **Previous**

#### **IPEM 2019**

22-24 JAN 2019  
Paris

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#### **Corporate Joint Ventures in the Media, Sport And Entertainment Sector**

17 JAN 2019  
Webinar

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#### **Canada & Israel: Weeding Out the New Regulatory, Legal and Public Market Landscapes**

16 OCT 2018

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#### **Työoikeuden aamiaisseminari**

16 MAY 2018  
Helsinki

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#### **Listalle vai myyntiin? Vaihtoehtoja yhtiön rahoitukseen ja exitiin**

8 MAY 2018  
Helsinki

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#### **Thinking big: Going global - with a corporate partner?**

1 DEC 2017  
Helsinki

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## Thinking big: Going global - with a corporate partner?

1 DEC 2017  
Helsinki

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## UUTISET

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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 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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### DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice

14 MAY 2019  
DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

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

2 MAY 2019  
DLA Piper has advised The Hut Group ("THG"), one of the world's leading online beauty and wellbeing businesses, on the acquisition of Christophe Robin, a luxury natural haircare brand. This acquisition represents a further strategic investment in THG's international beauty offering.

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

30 APR 2019

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

18 APR 2019

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

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### **DLA Piper 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 avustaa Lindström Groupia henkilösuojausliiketoiminnan myynnissä TOOLS Finland Oy:lle**

3 APR 2019

DLA Piper on avustanut Lindström Groupia sen myydessä Suomen henkilösuojausliiketoimintansa TOOLS Finland Oy:lle.

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

1 APR 2019

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

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

28 MAR 2019

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

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

26 MAR 2019

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

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the proceeds from the sale to reduce its bank debt.

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

19 MAR 2019

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

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

18 MAR 2019

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

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

14 MAR 2019

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

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

14 MAR 2019

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

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

13 MAR 2019

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

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

6 MAR 2019

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

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

28 FEB 2019

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

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

26 FEB 2019

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

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

19 FEB 2019

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

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

5 FEB 2019

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

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

28 JAN 2019

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

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

9 JAN 2019

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

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

9 JAN 2019

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

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

17 SEP 2018

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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'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 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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### **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 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

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services provider.

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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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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

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additional services, on its acquisition of the Finnish IT solutions company, ITaito Oy.

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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 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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### **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 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

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Real Estate Group, a German, UK and Benelux real estate investment and asset management firm.

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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 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 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 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 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 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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### **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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#### 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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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### **DLA Piper appoints new country managing partner in Finland**

6 OCT 2017

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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 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 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 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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### **DLA Piper advises Nordic LAN&WAN Communication Oy on its sale to Viria**

7 SEP 2017

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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### **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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### **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 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 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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## **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 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 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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## Suomessa

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### YRITYSJÄRJESTELYT

DLA Piper Finland:llä on vankka kokemus yrityskauppajuridiikan alueella. Olemme menestyksekkäästi avustaneet listattuja ja listaamattomia yhtiöitä niiden myydessä ja ostaessa yhtiöitä ja liiketoimintakokonaisuuksia. Hallitsemme LBO- ja MBO-järjestelyt sekä yhteisyrityksiin liittyvän juridiikan. Asiakkaitamme ovat sekä suuret kansainväliset konsernit että pienet ja keskisuuret perheyrietykset ja pääomasijoittajataustaiset yritykset.

Neuvomme ja palvelemme asiakkaitamme yritysjarjestelyjen kaikissa vaiheissa. Osallistumme due diligence -selvitysten tekemiseen, käymme hintaneuvotteluja, saatamme kaupat päätökseen ja hoidamme sulautumisen jälkeiset toimenpiteet. Monilla asianajajistamme on kattava kansainvälinen kokemus, ja neuvontamme on asiakkaillemme arvokasta erityisesti yritysjarjestelyissä, joihin liittyy kansainvälisiä aspekteja.

Asiakkaitamme ovat muiden muassa johtavat yritykset teollisuuden, vähittäiskaupan, rakentamisen ja palvelujen aloilta, julkisen sektorin organisaatiot, rahoituslaitokset ja investointipankit sekä kasvuyritykset ja pääomarahastot.

### PÄÄOMASJOITTAMINEN

DLA Piper Finland tarjoaa kattavat neuvontapalvelut erilaisissa pääomasijoitusjärjestelyissä. Avustamme ja neuvomme institutionaalisia ja muita sijoittajia suorissa pääomasijoituksissa kohdeyhtiöihin ja erilaisten sijoitusrahastoinstrumenttien käytössä. Neuvomme yksityisiä pääomasijoittajia ja riskisijoittajia sijoitusten strukturoinneissa ja implementoinneissa, joihin liittyy usein velka- ja mezzanine-rahoituselementtejä, sekä onnistuneissa irtautumisissa. Avustamme myös kauppohen päätökseen saattamisessa sekä liitännäisjärjestelyissä ja transaktioissa, kuten osakassopimuksissa, johdon kannustinjärjestelmissä ja uudelleenrahoituskiirroksilla. Neuvontamme kattaa erilaiset tilanteet teollisuusyritysten ostosta startup-yritysten alkuvaiheen rahoituskiirroksiin.

Lisäksi neuvomme erityisesti pankkeja ja muita institutionaalisia asiakkaita niiden sijoittaessa erilaisiin pääomasijoitusrahastoihin.

### YHTIÖOIKEUS

DLA Piper Finland palvelee yrityksiä yhtiöasioissa yrityksen koko elinkaaren ajan, päivittäisestä juridiikasta yritysjarjestelyihin.

Avustamme yrityksen perustamiseen, osakejarjestelyihin, osakeantehin, lunastusprosesseihin, vaihtovelkakirjoihin,

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kannustinjärjestelyihin, osakkaiden oikeuksiin ja hallinnon vastuuseen liittyvissä asioissa. Lisäksi neuvomme asiakkaitamme yrityksen hallintoon ja lainmukaisuuteen liittyvissä kysymyksissä. Asianajajamme ovat kokeneita yhtiökokousten järjestäjiä ja puheenjohtajia. Toimistomme erityisosaamisen tuella neuvomme myös kaikissa arvopaperimarkkinoihin liittyvissä asioissa, kuten listautumisissa, julkisissa ostotarjouksissa sekä ilmoitusvelvollisuuksia ja sisäpiirikauppasääntelyä koskevissa kysymyksissä.

## TOIMEKSIANTOJAMME

- Maintpartner Groupin avustaminen useiden Fortum Oyj:n voimalaitosten ja kaukolämpöverkkojen käytön ja kunnossapidon ulkoistamisjärjestelyssä
- Talotarvike.com-palvelua ylläpitävän M&M Visions Oy:n osakkeenomistajien avustaminen yhtiön osakkeiden myynnissä ruotsalaiselle Bygghemma AB:lle.
- Suomalaisen infran, liikenteen, maankäytön, ympäristön ja digitaalisten palveluiden tuottajan Siton avustaminen sen ostaessa norjalaisen infra-, teollisuus- ja talonrakennussektorin palveluyrityksen Asenso As:n.
- Suomalaisen kaivosyhtiön ja sen osakkeenomistajien avustaminen suunnatussa osakeannissa institutionaalisille sijoittajille
- Suomalaisen pörssiyhtiön avustaminen kaupan alan optimointiin liittyviin ohjelmistoratkaisuihin erikoistuneen yrityksen ostamisessa sekä kauppaan liittyneessä suunnatussa osakkeiden uusannissa ja listalleottoesitteen laatimisessa
- Pörssilistatun pohjoismaisen kaivosyhtiön avustaminen yhtiön osakkeiden ja optioiden uusannissa ja rinnakkaislistautumisessa NASDAQ OMX Helsinkiin
- Solteq Oyj:n oikeudellisena neuvonantajana toimiminen yhtiön ostaessa Descom Group Oy:n sekä yhtiön avustaminen yrityskaupan rahoitukseen liittyvän vakuudettoman 27 miljoonan euron joukkovelkakirjalainan liikkeeseenlaskussa
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