



Debt Capital Markets

DLA Piper's Debt Capital Markets practice advises on complex, innovative and high-profile transactions.

Our lawyers advise issuers, underwriters, selling shareholders, sponsors, arrangers, lead managers, originators, dealers, trustees and depositaries on a broad range of capital markets offerings, including equity, equity-linked and debt securities, structured and project financings and securitizations, and collaborate with our derivatives, financial regulation and tax practices across the globe.

CAPABILITES

We advise on numerous debt securities offerings in both corporate finance and structured finance debt capital markets transactions. In the corporate finance area, we advise on issuances of investment grade, high-yield, convertible and exchangeable debt securities, eurobonds, debt issuance, commercial paper and Medium Term Note (MTN) programmes.

We also advise on debt capital markets liability management transactions, including consent solicitations, bond tender offers and exchange offers and advise banks and insurance companies on a range of regulatory capital transactions.

EXPERIENCE

- 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. pursuant to an automatic shelf registration statement.
- Banco Santander S.A. on the issue by Besaya ECA Limited of US\$470 million secured variable rate notes due 2016 listed on the Irish Stock Exchange. The transaction involved the securitization of a portfolio of international export credit loans.
- Global Cash Access Holdings, Inc., a leading provider of integrated casino cash solutions, in the negotiation and execution of financing commitment letters in connection with a US\$1.3 billion financing the proceeds of which will be used to acquire Multimedia Games.
- Standard Bank Plc on its US\$3 billion Fiduciary Note Programme. The programme structure enables Standard Bank to create tradable securities for investors in Europe and the United States based on the returns from holding underlying African assets, such as loans and domestic sovereign bonds.
- Bank of America Merrill Lynch, J.P. Morgan, HSBC and Citigroup, for an aggregate US\$2.9 billion in public debt offerings by France Telecom, the largest multinational telecommunications corporation in Europe and second largest in the world.
- Dignity plc on the issue of notes in connection with its whole business securitization tap, the proceeds of which would be used to fund the acquisition of a large group of funeral businesses. The securitization involved the issue by Dignity Finance plc of (in

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total) £50,250,000 Class A Secured 6.310 per cent Notes due 2023 and £40,750,000 Class B Secured 8.151 per cent Notes due 2031.

- Places for People Homes and Places for People Capital Markets on their £650,000,000 EMTN Programme, which originally included one of only a handful of retail bond issues to have gone to market and the first retail issue by a non-financial entity admitted to trading on the London Stock Exchange's ORB platform.
- Turkish company Anadolu Efes, on a benchmark US\$500 million international bond issue. Anadolu Efes is one of Europe's largest brewers and Coca-Cola bottlers, with operations in a number of countries including Turkey, Russia the CIS and the Middle East. Anadolu Efes is the first Turkish corporate to achieve two investment grade ratings.
- BNP Paribas Securities Corp., Goldman, Sachs & Co., HSBC Securities (USA) Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC and SG Americas Securities, LLC, as underwriters on Telefónica Emisiones, S.A.U.'s issuance of US\$2 billion in notes, guaranteed by Telefónica S.A., the international telecommunications group.
- GE Capital, HSBC Bank plc and Lloyds Bank plc on the senior debt funding of CAPE Capital's investment in the Côte Restaurants Group.