



Defence

We are the only firm in the world that offers a top-tier global defence and security practice, as well as the ability to draw upon experienced defence, procurement and infrastructure lawyers throughout the world. We also draw from DLA Piper's broad range of resources to provide advice to the defence industry in the areas of international trade, export controls, corporate transactions, tax and employment.

The lawyers and consultants of DLA Piper offer comprehensive advice to the defence industry to assist clients in accomplishing their business, legal, and political goals. We understand the complexities of contracting with various national departments or ministries of defence and the legal structures and constraints of working with government departmental entities.

As a global firm, we have lawyers with substantial defence experience in Europe, the Eastern Bloc, the Middle East, Asia, Australia and the US.

As the team that delivered one of the first-ever PFIs in the UK defence sector in 1998, we are a longstanding major player in the defence market.

CAPABILITES

Our capability covers:

- strategic alliances;
- procurement models;
- joint ventures;
- prime contracting;
- urgent operational requirements ('UORs');
- government owned, commercially operated structures;
- partnering;
- integrator models;
- security issues including security classifications, security aspects letters and security undertakings (some of our UK team are security cleared); and

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RELATED SERVICES

- Public Private Partnerships and PFI

- the complete spectrum of contractual models the defence government agencies use (for example, in the UK from DEFCONS, JSPs, SOPC4, Model ICT agreement and DEFFORMS).

EXPERIENCE

- UK Military Air Traffic Control - advising Lockheed Martin's Fusion consortium on its bid for the £1.5bn UK Ministry of Defence's project for the design, construction and installation of military air traffic management capability and the provision of certain services in support thereof known as Project Marshall; and
- Assisting a foreign buyer acquiring a US defence contractor to successfully meet the Exon-Florio requirements and maintain the acquired company's defence security clearances.

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Prime Capital and Enlight Renewable Energy on large investment in Sweden

13 October 2020

DLA Piper has advised Prime Capital AG, the independent asset manager and financial services provider, and Enlight Renewable Energy (Enlight), the Tel-Aviv-listed independent power producer, on their co-investment in the ready-to-build Björnberget wind park project in central Sweden. This is Prime Capital's first investment from its newly launched.

DLA Piper advises Lithuania's Ignitis Group on acquisition of minority stake in Moray West wind farm

28 September 2020

DLA Piper has advised Ignitis Group on its acquisition of a minority stake in the Moray West wind farm development project on the east coast of Great Britain.

The acquisition represents a strategic partnership between Ocean Winds and Ignitis Group for the development of offshore wind farm projects.

DLA Piper advises Iberdrola on AUD893 million takeover

25 August 2020

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Spanish utility giant Iberdrola on its AUD893 million takeover of Infigen Energy (ASX:IFN).

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

19 August 2020

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

DLA Piper advises Pricecheck Toiletries on Warehouse Expansion Deal

20 June 2020

DLA Piper has advised international wholesaler and distributor of fast-moving consumer goods, Pricecheck Toiletries Limited, on

the expansion of their warehouse operation capacity.

DLA Piper advises Banco Santander on innovative funding of subsidy-free solar projects in the UK

2 June 2020

DLA Piper has acted as legal advisor to Banco Santander on the financing of a portfolio of subsidy-free solar projects which includes initially two projects for a total capacity of 115 MW.

DLA Piper advises CSEIP on acquisition of majority stake in 500-MW Nordic wind portfolio

21 May 2020

DLA Piper has advised Credit Suisse Energy Infrastructure Partners on the acquisition of an 80% stake in Finnish utility Fortum Oyj's c.a. 500MW Nordic onshore wind portfolio. DLA Piper also advised CSEIP and Fortum on the senior project finance loan provided by Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken and National Australia Bank as part of the transaction.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020

30 April 2020

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

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

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

28 April 2020

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

DLA Piper advises on the disposal of Cyprus' largest wind farm to Ancala Partners

20 March 2020

DLA Piper has advised Platina Energy Partners and local partner Mr Kleanthis (Akis) Ellinas on the disposal of the largest wind farm in Cyprus to Ancala Partners, an independent infrastructure investment manager.

DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars

10 March 2020

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

DLA Piper advises Ireland's NTR on PPA as part of financing of Swedish wind project

7 February 2020

DLA Piper has advised Irish renewable energy investment firm NTR on the acquisition, financing and Corporate Power Purchase Agreement (CPPA) with NORD/LB of 94MW wind projects in Sweden and Finland. NTR acquired these portfolio projects, called VindIn, in 2019, a transaction in which DLA Piper also advised on.

Pressure on corporate responsibility driving deal flow in renewable energy sector

18 December 2019

Increased pressure on corporate companies to have better 'green' credentials and the end of Government incentives has seen the number of subsidy-free renewable energy projects increase by more than 1,000 per cent since 2013, according to research from global law firm DLA Piper, using data from inspiratia.

DLA Piper named Firm Of The Year for Projects, Energy & Natural Resources by Legal 500 UK Awards 2020

11 December 2019

DLA Piper has been named as 'Firm of The Year' for Projects, Energy & Natural Resources by the Legal 500 UK Awards 2020.

DLA Piper recognised at Partnerships Awards for its role on the Bridge Power Project in Ghana

10 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has been acknowledged for its role advising on the vendor financing for Stage 1 of the 400MW CCGT Bridge Power Project (the Bridge Project) in Ghana at the 2019 Partnerships Awards, held on 9 May 2019 in London.

DLA Piper advises the UK government on Heathrow expansion

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has successfully advised the Department for Transport (DfT) on the Heathrow expansion project for the new third runway.

DLA Piper boosts project finance offering with partner hire in London

3 APR 2019

DLA Piper today announces that project finance lawyer Nacim Bounouara has joined the firm as a partner in its Finance and Projects practice, based in London.

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.

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.
