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Carolyn Dong has rich experience in advising on Chinese clients' overseas investments and international investors for their investments into China. She provides a full scope services including advising on transactional and corporate structures as well as operational issues.

Through her over 30 year career, Carolyn has been involved in many major cross-border transactions involving China, including advising Chinese state-owned enterprises and private companies in many outbound M&A investment transactions and associated acquisition financing and advising on project development work. She has also advised several Fortune Global 500 companies on their inbound investments. Her clients include DONG Energy, BP, BASF, INEOS, Eastman Chemical, Huntsman Corporation, Sinopec, PetroChina, CNOOC, China Shenhua, China Huadian, Shanghai Shenergy, Peabody, China Cinda Assets Management Company, Wengfu Group, among others.

### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Chinese (Mandarin)
- English

### EXPERIENCE

- Acting for a Chinese SOE purchaser on its due diligence, structuring and purchase advice on its bid to acquire a participating interest in the upstream oil and gas sector in an east African country, including advice on a prospective LNG project
- Acting for a major Chinese energy company in its acquisition of an interest in a US\$5 billion integrated LNG liquefaction and export facility in Canada (including a corresponding interest in the associated upstream oil and gas assets) from Petronas
- Advising Chinese coal mine and power companies on numerous brown and green field projects in Indonesia
- Advising a major Chinese state-owned chemical company on its overseas acquisitions across more than 20 jurisdictions
- Advising a Hong Kong listed company on its acquisition of a working interest in an offshore oil block in Northern China and

### RELATED SERVICES

- Corporate

### RELATED SECTORS

- Financial Services

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associated acquisition financing

- Advising China Development Bank and China Exim Bank on their numerous cross-border project financing and acquisition financing deals on a regular basis
- Advising the project sponsors (a US based global chemical company and a Chinese state owned chemical company) in relation to the construction of a specialty resin manufacturing facility in Nanjing, China, including financing, foreign investment and general corporate and project matters
- Advising a joint venture formed between BASF and Sinopec in relation to several expansion projects in relation to an existing large-scale integrated petrochemical facility (including associated financing, general corporate and project related aspects)
- Advising a joint venture formed between a Saudi-based global chemical company and a Chinese state owned chemical company in relation to various technology and project development agreements in relation to a major manufacturing facility in Tianjin, China
- Advising a major Chinese oil company on its acquisition of number of oil and gas assets located in different jurisdictions
- Advising a major Chinese investment company on a large scale overseas M&A transaction across more than 15 jurisdictions

## CREDENTIALS

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### Prior Experience

Prior to joining DLA Piper in 2013, Carolyn has more than 26 years of corporate legal practice and academic experience (in both Chinese SOEs as well as MNCs), having spent time at King & Wood Mallesons (Beijing), BP (Hong Kong & Singapore), Sinopec (Beijing Headquarters), Clifford Chance (Hong Kong) and at the Faculty of Law of a university in Beijing.

Benefitting from her rich experience in working on large Chinese state-owned companies' major outbound investments and also major Sino-foreign joint venture project transactions in China, Carolyn has a deep understanding of both Chinese and international commercial culture and practices and she is adept at finding practical solutions for both Chinese and international investors in solving issues in Sino-foreign joint ventures incorporated in China and overseas.

### Recognitions

- Top 15 Female Lawyers in China - *Asian Legal Business* 2016
- Best in Energy & Natural Resources - *Euromoney Asia Women in Business Law Awards* 2015
- Leading Individual (Energy & Natural Resources) - *Chambers Global* 2015 and 2016, *Chambers Asia Pacific* 2015 and 2016
- Leading Lawyer - *IFLR* 2015 and 2016

### Education

- Peking University School of Law, B.A. (*with honours*) and Masters Degree of Law;
- Nottingham University School of Law, LL.M.

## NEWS

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### DLA Piper recognised at Asia Women in Business Law Awards 2020

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We are thrilled to announce that at this year's Asia Women in Business Law Awards, DLA Piper has won in two categories along with an individual recognition.

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