



## Industrials

The industrials sector is continually evolving and crossing borders. Global economic uncertainty, political instability, and its impact on trade, climate change, digitalization, automation and disruptive business models are just a few of the many challenges businesses in the industrials sector are currently facing.

Prudent businesses in this rapidly changing sector turn to lawyers who have cross-disciplinary knowledge and on-the-ground presence in local markets, who are able to advise clients on their day-to-day and strategic concerns wherever they choose to do business. With offices in over 40 countries throughout the world, we offer a dedicated team that understands the sector, the challenges it faces and the pragmatic, cost-effective solutions that work for our clients. We are proud to support the diverse needs of our global client base, which includes many of the most successful industrial companies worldwide across our core areas:

- Aerospace and defense
- Automotive
- Chemicals
- Manufacturing

We help our clients on important issues affecting the industry, such as:

- Acquisition, asset and export finance
- Brand protection, patents, licensing and IP
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- Cybersecurity
- Data protection
- Digitalization and IoT
- HR, employment, employee benefits and pensions
- Litigation and arbitration
- M&A and international corporate restructurings (ICR)
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- Real estate and real estate finance
- Regulatory advice, including on environmental, health and safety (EHS) matters
- Restructuring
- Risk, governance and compliance, including anti-bribery and corruption
- Supply chain management, including distribution/agency agreements and contracts
- Tax, including import and export, transfer pricing and sanctions

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### Publications

#### **The states look at autonomous vehicles**

24 July 2019

Many US states are experimenting with a wide range of approaches to autonomous vehicles, some cautious and others more ambitious.

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#### **PFAS: in California, regulators put cleanup levels on hold, but announce major data hunt**

7 MAR 2019

This data hunt will affect thousands of facilities, drinking water systems and private drinking water well owners.

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#### **Regulating "trading practices" in B2B supply chains - EU / UK regulations and proposals on contracting and payments between businesses**

1 MAY 2018

This article discusses recent scrutiny and existing regulations of business-to-business relationships at the EU and UK levels (including the draft EU Directive on unfair trading practice in B2B food supply chain and draft EU Regulation on online intermediation services, both published in April 2018) and sets out the key considerations for businesses operating within EU supply chains.

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#### **EU adopts directive on mandatory disclosure of aggressive tax planning schemes: key takeaways**

22 MAR 2018

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Enterprises and investors with any EU nexus should be aware that the disclosure requirement will apply to all "intermediaries" and possibly their clients involved in cross-border tax arrangements.

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## **Industry 4.0. The Fourth Industrial Revolution. The Industrial IoT. IIoT. What are they anyway?**

13 MAR 2018

They are different names for what is essentially the same thing – the adoption of new advanced technology and systems by industrial and manufacturing businesses – with a particular emphasis on connectivity.

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## **Section 232 trade action - steel, aluminum tariffs: trade war? Mechanisms for possible relief for certain companies and countries**

9 MAR 2018

Two mechanisms could provide some relief for affected companies.

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## **The Internet of Things and connected cars: new opportunities and risks**

29 JAN 2018

The automotive industry is undergoing tremendous change, both in the technology it employs and in the way it does business. People and companies are changing the way they think about cars and car travel. A big part of this change arises from the increasing connectedness of cars.

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## **Law à la Mode: Virtual Reality and Augmented Reality; Insta-worthy or Insta-infringement; E-commerce in Poland; Harnessing hidden advertising; and more**

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

9 DEC 2015

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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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## NEWS

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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 on the sale of Synseal Group in job-saving deal**

12 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised KPMG administrators, Chris Pole and Mark Orton, in connection with the sale of Synseal Group, to Aperture Trading, saving more than 1,000 jobs.

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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 Africa advises Adenia Partners on acquisition of controlling stake in Kanu Equipment Limited**

23 MAR 2018

Kanu has been driving an expansion strategy across Sub-Saharan Africa in recent years and the business now operates in 13 countries, servicing the agriculture, construction and mining industries.

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### **DLA Piper advises James Hardie in US\$549 acquisition of Fermacell**

20 NOV 2017

DLA Piper represents James Hardie Industries, a global fiber cement siding manufacturer, in its acquisition of the German holding company of Fermacell GmbH, a fiber gypsum board manufacturer.

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