



## Mergers and Acquisitions

Our clients benefit from a leading global M&A practice that has, for the ninth consecutive year, acted on more M&A transactions than any other law firm. Our experience allows us to execute cross border global deals seamlessly while supporting you across all stages of the transaction and offering you cost-effective, pragmatic business solutions.

### Global leader in M&A

- 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. We were also ranked number one by Thomson Reuters in its 2018 M&A deal volume ranking. With these results, DLA Piper consolidates its position as a leading global legal advisor.
- Our clients benefit from timely, pragmatic and commercial approach to problem solving that adds value to their business and enables transactions to come to a successful conclusion for all parties.

### Global reach

- Supported by over 1,000 corporate lawyers globally, we carefully select teams for each specific transaction. This allows us to handle all aspects of complex domestic and cross-border corporate transactions.
- With local lawyers on the ground, we have the ability to flag potential pitfalls in each country, advise on cultural differences and nuances, offer vital auxiliary advice in such areas as employment and competition law and manage even the most demanding due diligence exercise.

### Supporting your needs

- All our lawyers are aligned to industry sectors. We understand the internal and external pressures that our clients face throughout a transaction and the industry-specific issues critical to the success of a deal. We guide our clients through every stage of a deal-from due diligence and structuring, to negotiation and preparation of deal documents, to post-transaction transition and post-merger integration.
- M&A activities unavoidably affect other areas of company law, such as employment, pensions, tax, financial services regulation and corporate governance. Our deal teams include practitioners from these and other areas of law to address all aspects of a deal.

## CAPABILITIES

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### RELATED SERVICES

- Merger Control

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We help our clients with:

- public and private M&A;
- divisional or asset sales;
- distressed company deals through bankruptcy or other structures;
- cross-border transactions;
- various joint ventures and strategic alliances;
- post-merger integration.

## EXPERIENCE

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- Advising Accel-KKR on all aspects relating to its NZD\$140 million acquisition of the Seequent Group.
- Advising BASF in the context of the acquisition of Solvay's polyamide business.
- Advising HCL Technologies on its USD1.8 billion acquisition of a software portfolio from IBM.
- Advising a consortium comprising Link Group, Commonwealth Bank of Australia and Morgan Stanley Infrastructure on its USD1.6 billion acquisition of digital property conveyancing company PEXA.
- Advising NEC Corporation on the acquisition of KMD A/S from Advent International Corporation and Sampension KP Livsforsikring A/S.
- Advising Reece Limited on its USD1.44 billion acquisition of Morsco Inc., a US distributor of commercial and residential plumbing, waterworks and HVAC supplies.
- Advising Ineos Enterprises on its USD1.1 billion acquisition of Ashland Global Holdings' composites business.
- Advising BTIG as financial advisor to PAO TMK, a Russian manufacturer of steel pipe, on its USD1.2 billion sale of IPSCO Tubulars Inc. to Tenaris S.A.
- Advising CIE Automotive on its USD755 million acquisition of Inteva Roof Systems, a US-based designer and manufacturer of car sunroofs.
- Advising Haymaker Acquisition Corp., a publicly traded special purpose acquisition company (SPAC), on its USD850 million business combination with OneSpaWorld.
- Advising a consortium comprising Qumei Home Furnishing Group and Huatai Zijin Investment on the USD631 million public tender offer on Ekornes, the largest furniture manufacturer in the Nordic Region.
- Advising John Swire & Sons and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Argent Energy, on the acquisition of Biodiesel Amsterdam, Tankstorage Amsterdam and Tank & truck cleaning Amsterdam from the Amsterdam-based Simadan Group.
- Advising The China Navigation Company on its acquisition of Hamburg Süd's bulk shipping business.
- Advising TA Associates on its joint investment in Apteana, a provider of enterprise resource planning software, with Vista Equity Partners.
- Advising Webjet on its USD173 million acquisition of UAE based Destinations of the World and related fully underwritten entitlement offer.
- Advising Vodafone on its EUR7.2 billion acquisition of Ono, Spain's largest cable operator.
- Advising SolarWinds, a leading provider of powerful and affordable IT management software, on its USD4.6 billion acquisition by Silver Lake Partners and Thoma Bravo, LLC.
- Advising Fosun International and subsidiaries in numerous transactions totalling over USD2 billion.
- Advising Harrison Street Real Estate Capital, LLC on its USD1.9 billion acquisition of Campus Crest Communities, Inc.
- Advising Discovery Communications on its USD1.7 billion acquisition of the SBS broadcasting business in Scandinavia from ProSieben.
- Advising Abengoa on the 100 percent sale of its subsidiary Befesa Medio Ambiente S.A for EUR1.075 billion.
- Advising Arsenal Capital Partners in numerous transactions totalling USD1.5 billion.
- Advising CyrusOne LLC, a developer of enterprise-class, carrier-neutral data centers, on its USD400 million acquisition of

Cervalis Holdings LLC.

- Advising Fortescue Metals Group Limited on the sale of a 31 percent interest in the Iron Bridge and Glacier Valley magnetite deposits (equity value of USD1.15 billion).
- Advising Moss Creek Resources, LLC on its USD803 million acquisition of oil and gas assets from Tall City Exploration LLC and Plymouth Petroleum, LLC.
- Advising W. P. Carey Inc. on its merger with Corporate Property Associates 16 for USD4 billion.
- Advising Etihad Airways on its USD600 million strategic partnership with Indian airline Jet Airways, the first Foreign Direct Investment by an overseas airline.

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### **Amendment to Japanese Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act expands restricted business sectors for foreign investment in Japan**

22 August 2019

The Japanese Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act requires prior filings with relevant ministries via the Bank of Japan for foreign investments in certain business sectors relating to national security, public order, and public safety, etc.

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#### **Israel Group News August 2019**

7 August 2019

#### **ISRAEL GROUP NEWS**

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

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#### **Global M&A Intelligence Report 2019**

19 July 2019

For the ninth successive year we were once again number one for global M&A deal volume. We also advised on the most European Private Equity buyout and exit deals in 2018. Our annual Global M&A Intelligence Report is based on an analysis of key deal terms in over 2,000 private M&A transactions on which we advised since 2015.

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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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#### **Israel Group News**

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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## **EU Policy & Regulatory Alert: New Regulation on Foreign Direct Investment Screening in the EU**

22 NOV 2018

The European Union is moving fast towards establishing a joint regulatory and policy framework for Europeans to seize the opportunities provided by Artificial Intelligence (AI) and to reinforce Europe's competitiveness in this field.

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

25 JUL 2018

A summary of the major changes FIRRMA 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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## **Tax Cuts and Jobs Act could have significant impact on structuring of US and foreign investments**

4 JAN 2018

Proponents of the changes expect them to make investment through United States corporate structures more attractive.

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

20 SEP 2017

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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## Events

### Previous

#### **INSOL Helsinki one day seminar**

13 JUN 2018  
Helsinki

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

3 OCT 2017  
Global M&A Intelligence Report 2017  
Prague

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

28 SEP 2017  
Global M&A Intelligence Report 2017  
Bucharest

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## NEWS

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#### **DLA Piper Canada lawyers recognized in 2020 edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada***

21 AUG 2019  
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see 70 of our lawyers across 34 practice areas recognized in the 2020 *Best Lawyers in Canada* guide.

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#### **DLA Piper advises Credible on merger with Fox**

6 August 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised ASX-listed US fintech company Credible Labs Inc. (ASX: CRD) on its AUD585 million proposed merger with NASDAQ listed Fox Corporation.

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#### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. in completion of acquisition by Universal mCloud Corp.**

17 JUL 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. in completion of its acquisition by Universal mCloud

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Corp. in a three party transaction also involving Fulcrum Automation Technologies Ltd.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Mark von Marksfeld**

15 JUL 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Mark von Marksfeld has joined the firm as a partner in the Vancouver office. Mark practises primarily in the areas of banking and secured lending, commercial real estate, and mergers and acquisitions.

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### **DLA Piper advises Jaja Finance on its £530m acquisition of Bank of Ireland's UK credit card business**

12 July 2019

DLA Piper has advised digital finance company Jaja Finance Limited (Jaja) on the acquisition of Bank of Ireland's (The Bank) UK credit card portfolio.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Acreage Holdings in USD\$3.4 billion arrangement with Canopy Growth**

27 JUN 2019

Acreage Holdings, Inc., a leading U.S. multi-state cannabis operator, and Canopy Growth Corporation announced the implementation of an arrangement, pursuant to which Canopy Growth received the option to acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares in the capital of Acreage Holdings. DLA Piper Canada represented Acreage Holdings in this transformative transaction within the global cannabis industry.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Difference Capital Financial Inc. in \$110 Million acquisition of Mogo Finance Technology Inc.**

26 JUNE 2019

Difference Capital Financial Inc. has completed its previously announced acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Mogo Finance Technology Inc. DLA Piper Canada represented the special committee of Difference Capital's board of directors, as lead deal counsel.

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### **DLA Piper advises Tubi on IPO and ASX listing**

21 June 2019

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised Tubi Limited (ASX: 2BE) on its AUD48.5 million initial public offering (IPO) and listing on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX).

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Josh Freedman**

3 JUN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Josh Freedman to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate Group.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Onex Corporation in \$5 billion acquisition of WestJet Airlines Ltd.**

16 MAY 2019

On May 13, 2019, Onex Corporation announced that it had entered into a definitive agreement in which it will acquire all outstanding shares of WestJet Airlines Ltd. in an all-cash transaction valued at CDN \$5 billion.

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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 appoints new Head of Corporate for the Middle East, strengthening M&A capability**

13 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has appointed Will Seivewright as a partner and Head of Corporate for the Middle East. Will joins the firm's Dubai office from Baker McKenzie. His practice focuses on M&A (both public and private), joint ventures, corporate restructurings, private equity and venture capital transactions in the UAE, broader Middle East and internationally.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP ranked in 2019 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory***

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that thirty-eight of the firm's lawyers have been recognized as leading practitioners in the 2019 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*.

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### **Bretton Woods Law Canada to join DLA Piper (Canada) LLP's Montréal office**

1 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce it has reached an agreement with the Montréal office of Bretton Woods Law Canada. Effective May 1, 2019, Bretton Woods Canada's team of four lawyers and an articling student will join DLA Piper Canada's Montréal office.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Difference Capital Financial Inc. in combination with Mogo Finance Technology Inc.**

26 APR 2019

On April 15, 2019 Difference Capital Financial Inc. announced that it entered into an arrangement agreement pursuant to which it would acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Mogo Finance Technology Inc. DLA Piper Canada is representing the special committee of Difference Capital's board of directors, as lead counsel in this transaction.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. in three-party transaction with Universal mCloud Corp. and Fulcrum Automation Technologies**

26 APR 2019

Universal mCloud Corp., Fulcrum Automation Technologies and Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. have announced the signing of letters of intent for a transaction under which Autopro and Fulcrum will be acquired by mCloud for consideration of cash and

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shares. DLA Piper Canada is acting on behalf of Autopro in this three-party transaction.

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### **DLA Piper represents Cowen and Canaccord Genuity as lead underwriters of Greenlane Holdings IPO**

23 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Cowen and Company, LLC and Canaccord Genuity LLC as the lead underwriters in the recently completed upsized US\$102 million initial public offering of Greenlane Holdings (NASDAQ: GNLN).

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Natalie Prange**

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Natalie Prange to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Projects, Energy and Infrastructure Group.

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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 (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Stephen Wintermute**

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Stephen Wintermute to the firm's Vancouver office as an associate in the Securities & Capital Markets Group.

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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 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 launches Global Merger Control Handbook**

6 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has launched the Global Merger Control Handbook, a comprehensive three-volume manual to help in-house counsel and other individuals involved in mergers and corporate reorganizations navigate the merger clearance process.

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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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## **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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## ***Chambers Global* 2019 recommends DLA Piper (Canada) LLP**

19 FEB 2019

Nine DLA Piper (Canada) LLP practitioners have received rankings in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Global*, which conducts thousands of independent peer and client interviews every year to identify top legal talents from around the world.

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## **DLA Piper advises Seequent Limited on its acquisition of Canadian software company Geosoft**

19 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised Accel-KKR and its portfolio company, Seequent Limited (“Seequent”), in connection with Seequent’s acquisition of Geosoft, a Canadian-based software company.

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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 (Canada) LLP featured in *Lexpert*’s “Top 10 Deals of 2018”**

18 FEB 2019

We are pleased to have acted on two of the transactions included in *Lexpert* magazine’s “Top 10 Deals of 2018” and congratulate our clients on these standout transactions that have been deemed among the most impactful in the country last year.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for CDW Canada Corp. in its acquisition of Scalar Decisions Inc.**

14 FEB 2019

DLA Piper Canada represented CDW Canada Corp. in its acquisition of Scalar Decisions Inc., a leading technology solutions provider in Canada.

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### **DLA Piper advises Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi**

1 FEB 2019

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 (Canada) LLP welcomes Patrick Burgess**

1 FEB 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Patrick Burgess has joined our Calgary office as a senior energy counsel. Pat brings to the firm over 34 years of experience in all aspects of energy law, including domestic and international oil and gas, property acquisitions and dispositions, property exchanges and diverse joint venture transactions.

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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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## **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 advises The China Navigation Company on acquisition of the bulk shipping activities of Hamburg Süd**

21 JAN 2019

DLA Piper has advised The China Navigation Company, a subsidiary of the Swire Group, on its agreement with Hamburg Süd to acquire their bulk shipping business which includes Rudolf A. Oetker (RAO), Furness Withy Chartering and the bulk activities in Alianca Navegação (Aliabulk).

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## **DLA Piper advises US electronics distributor Avnet on acquisition of Softweb Group**

16 JAN 2019

DLA Piper has advised global technology solutions provider Avnet, Inc. on its acquisition of privately-held Softweb Solutions, Inc. and Priya Softweb Solutions Pvt. Ltd., a software development and technology consulting company focusing on Artificial Intelligence and IoT software solutions located in the US and India.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Jonathan Fraser**

16 JAN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Jonathan Fraser to the firm's Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for TRG Group Benefits and Pensions Inc. in acquisition by Hub International Limited**

14 JAN 2019

DLA Piper Canada acted on behalf of the seller, TRG Group Benefits and Pensions Inc., in its acquisition by Hub International Limited.

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

9 JAN 2019

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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 (Canada) LLP represents Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. and Sumitomo Corporation in the acquisition of the Pogo Gold Mine in Alaska by Northern Star Resources for US\$260 million**

7 JAN 2019

On September 28, 2018, Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. and Sumitomo Corp. completed the US\$260 million sale of the Pogo Gold Mine in Alaska to Northern Star Resources.

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**DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new partners**

2 JAN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2019.

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**DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized in 2019 *Legal 500 Canada* guide**

7 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that 42 firm lawyers across 17 practice areas have been recommended in the latest edition of the *Legal 500 Canada*.

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**DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Fabjola Gera**

5 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Fabjola Gera to the firm's Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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**DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Eamon Hurley**

3 DEC 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Eamon Hurley to the firm's Calgary office as Counsel in the Corporate Group.

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**DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Wiam Mahroug**

22 NOV 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Wiam Mahroug to the firm's Montréal office as an associate in the Finance group.

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**Catherine Gibson named one of Women's Executive Network 2018 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner**

22 NOV 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to congratulate Catherine Gibson, Managing Partner of the firm's Vancouver office, on being named a Women's Executive Network (WXN) 2018 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner presented by KPMG.

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## **Trevor Wong-Chor appointed Chair of Canadian Securities and Capital Markets Group**

20 NOV 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Trevor Wong-Chor has been named Chair of the Securities & Capital Markets service group.

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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 advises Zensho Holdings on US\$257 million acquisition of Advanced Fresh Concepts Corp.**

7 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has advised Zensho Holdings, the largest food service company in Japan by sales, known for its beef bowl restaurant chains "Sukiya" and "Nakau", on its acquisition of California-based Advanced Fresh Concepts Corp., an in-store sushi chain with more than 4,000 locations throughout the United States, Canada and Australia. The purchase price was US\$257 million, the largest acquisition ever made by the Japanese restaurant chain operator, which is also one of the top-ten food service companies in the world.

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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 (Canada) LLP acted for Pinnacle Renewable Holdings Inc. in acquisition of 70% interest in Aliceville, Alabama wood pellet mill**

19 OCT 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted as lead counsel for Pinnacle Renewable Holdings Inc. in the acquisition of a 70% interest in an operating industrial wood pellet production facility located in Aliceville, Alabama from The Westervelt Company for approximately US\$37.1 million.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP and DLA Piper Tokyo Partnership acted for Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation and Daishowa North America Corporation in the \$465 million acquisition of jointly owned Canadian pulp producer by Mercer International Inc.**

12 OCT 2018

On October 4, 2018, Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation and Daishowa North America Corporation

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announced an agreement to sell the shares of the jointly owned Daishowa-Marubeni International Ltd., to Mercer International Inc. DLA Piper Canada and DLA Piper Tokyo Partnership acted on behalf of the sellers.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represents The Coca Cola Company in the sale of its Canadian bottling operations**

9 OCT 2018

On October 1, 2018 Coca-Cola Canada Bottling Limited announced that it had acquired Coca-Cola Refreshments Canada from The Coca-Cola Company. DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted as lead M&A counsel to the The Coca-Cola Company through all stages of the transaction.

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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 Canada recognized by *Chambers Canada* 2019**

27 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized as an industry leader in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Canada*. With 34 lawyers recognized across 20 practices areas, this is DLA Piper Canada's strongest showing to date.

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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 (Canada) LLP acted for Carnival Corporation in the US \$290 million acquisition of the White Pass and Yukon Route from TWC Enterprises Limited**

12 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted for Carnival Corporation ("Carnival") in the US \$290 million acquisition of the White Pass and Yukon Route railway ("WPYR") from TWC Enterprises Limited.

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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

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Club, in Johannesburg, South Africa.

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### **DLA Piper Advises Riversdale Resources on its \$70 million strategic placement to Hancock**

31 August

DLA Piper has advised Australian incorporated coal development company, Riversdale Resources ("Riversdale"), on its \$70 million placement to Hancock, resulting in Hancock's acquisition of a strategic stake in Riversdale. The investment values Riversdale at approximately \$500 million.

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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 services provider.

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### **Best Lawyers in Canada 2019 recognizes 72 DLA Piper (Canada) LLP Lawyers**

22 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have once more increased its rankings in the 2019 edition of *Best Lawyers*, with close to one-third of the firm's lawyers recommended as leading practitioners in Canada across key practice areas.

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### **DLA Piper advises Helios Technologies on acquisition of Custom Fluidpower**

13 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Helios Technologies (Nasdaq: SNHY) on the 100% acquisition of Australian business Custom Fluidpower for AU\$35 million (approximately US\$26 million) on 1 August, 2018. The acquisition was funded using cash and shares of SNHY common stock.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for the seller of CUL Administration of Canada Ltd. in acquisition by Auto Financial Group**

10 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented the seller of CUL Administration of Canada Ltd in its acquisition by Auto Financial Group ("AFG").

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Ashley Boyes**

7 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Ashley Boyes to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations group.

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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 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 (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Ilia Danef**

3 JUL 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Ilia Danef has joined the firm as a partner in the Toronto office. Ilia brings with him an extensive finance practice with a focus on debt finance. He also regularly represents clients in corporate transactions and mergers and acquisitions in the projects, energy and infrastructure and the financial institutions sectors.

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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 (Canada) LLP welcomes associate Kevin Emamian**

18 JUN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Kevin Emamian to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate and Real Estate groups.

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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 StackPath on its acquisition of Server Density**

17 MAY 2018

DLA Piper has advised StackPath, a leading secure edge services platform provider headquartered in Dallas, TX, on its cross-border acquisition of Server Density.

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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 (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Gargi Chopra**

7 MAY 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Gargi Chopra to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate group.

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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 FMO on JCM Power investment**

26 MAR 2018

A cross-jurisdictional DLA Piper team from London and Toronto has assisted FMO (the Dutch development bank investing in growth and frontier markets) on its cornerstone investment into JCM Power.

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### **DLA Piper advises Deutsche Bank on Paladin Restructuring**

28 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised Deutsche Bank on its special situations investment in Australian listed Paladin Energy Limited (PEL), which holds substantial uranium and mining assets in Namibia, Malawi, Canada and certain Australian states.

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### ***Chambers Global* 2018 recommends DLA Piper Canada**

20 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP professionals are once again featured in the latest edition of the *Chambers Global* guide.

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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 (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Robbie Grossman**

16 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Robbie Grossman as a partner in the Toronto office. Robbie brings with him a significant cross border securities, M&A and corporate finance practice underscored by deep experience in acting for emerging issuers and public companies.

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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 (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Rohan Rajpal**

6 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Rojan Rajpal to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate Group.

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## **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP advises Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd. on \$125 million private placement of senior notes**

26 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd (TSX: TWM) in the issuance of \$125 million aggregate principal amount of 6.75% senior unsecured notes due 2022, by way of a private placement.

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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 (Canada) LLP welcomes six new partners**

8 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to welcome six new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2018.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes important additions to the Restructuring group**

31 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to welcome Edmond Lamek as Partner and Danny Nunes as Associate Counsel to our national Restructuring group. Both Edmond and Danny will join our Toronto office.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP expands rankings in *Legal 500 Canada***

1 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have achieved its best showing to date in *Legal 500 Canada*, with 11 lawyers gaining new rankings in the newly released 2018 edition.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new restructuring partner Mike Weinczok**

1 DEC 2017

Mike's practice encompasses all aspects of business restructuring, distress investing and commercial lending.

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### **Sumitomo Metal Mining joint venture with IAMGOLD receives prestigious PDAC Award**

30 NOV 2017

DLA Piper Canada acted for Sumitomo in the transaction which involved Sumitomo and IAMGOLD establishing a strategic joint venture concurrent with the acquisition by Sumitomo of a 30% participating interest in IAMGOLD's ownership of the Côté Gold Project in Ontario for USD \$195 million in June 2017.

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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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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Charlie MacCreedy**

23 OCT 2017

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Charlie brings extensive Canadian and cross-border experience in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, securities, corporate and business law.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP increases rankings in *Chambers Canada 2018***

29 SEP 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized for its expanding market leadership in the 2018 edition of *Chambers Canada*, garnering its highest number of rankings to date.

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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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