



Renewables

We are at the forefront of the renewable energy market, advising sponsors, developers, financiers and regulatory bodies, amongst others, on transactions across the spectrum of renewable energy technologies, including hydro, solar, onshore and offshore wind, energy-from-waste, biomass and biofuels.

Our renewable energy lawyers have hands-on, practical experience of delivering each stage of a project, including planning, permitting, joint ventures and other corporate matters, structuring equity investment, developing project documents (such as PPAs, turbine supply agreements, EPC and O&M arrangements), project finance (including multi-source, ECA-backed financings) and M&A. We further advise our clients in relation to renewable energy support mechanisms, such as ROCs, LECs and CfDs in the UK, as well as statutory feed-in tariffs and other such mechanisms for both suppliers and end users.

EXPERIENCE

Solar power and solar technology projects

- John Laing Investments Ltd on their first acquisition and development in the solar sector in respect of two 5MW solar parks in England acquired from Wirsol. Following the acquisition, we advised John Laing Investments Ltd on the refinancing of this project by Nord LB.
- The sponsor, a subsidiary of Eaga plc, in connection with the £235 million project financing for the UK's first large-scale rooftop solar PV project to achieve financial close in the UK.
- Landesbank Baden-Württemberg in respect of a PV project financing in Cornwall.

Onshore and offshore wind projects

- The lenders in connection with the project financing of the Red Cap Couga wind farm in South Africa.
- The sponsor in connection with the project financing, provided by lenders including the EIB and the EBRD, of the 120 MW Margonin wind farm in Poland, the largest renewable energy project financing in Poland to date.
- A successful bidder for a Zone in the Round 3 Offshore Wind Farm programme in the United Kingdom.
- Nord LB on 7 separate on-shore wind project financings which have successfully reached financial close and advising Nord LB on a further onshore wind project financing.
- O2 Vind in relation to a 10 year PPA with Google for the entire output of a 72MW wind farm project in Sweden.

Other renewable power technologies

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AUTRES SECTEURS

- Energie

- £650 million development of a 240 MW tidal-powered electricity generating station in Swansea Bay, South Wales.
- The lenders in connection with the project financing of the Mtkvari hydro power project in Georgia.
- Stobart Group on portfolio of investments in new biomass generating capacity of up to £500million.
- Drax Power Ltd on long term wood pellet biomass supply contracts, typically with North American suppliers.

ACTUALITÉS

Publications

Japan's vision to realize a "Hydrogen-Based Society"

8 October 2019

Ahead of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, the Japanese government, the Tokyo Metropolitan government and Japanese manufacturing companies are seeking to use these sporting events to introduce Japan's state-of-the-art technology in the field of hydrogen, by using hydrogen-powered vehicles and powering the Olympic village with hydrogen.

Distributed generation in Brazil

20 August 2019

The bright future of Brazilian renewable energy - increase in the production of electricity from renewable sources for Brazilian consumers and offset the surplus with their local distribution company.

Responsible investing

20 August 2019

The rise of responsible investing and global renewable energy opportunities with growing exposure given to environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues.

Renewable Energy in Africa

18 June 2019

The African continent, with a population exceeding one billion people and an estimated combined economy of USD1.5 trillion, presents huge opportunities for investors, developers and operators across the renewable energy sector.

Recent developments in the Greek renewable energy sector

29 MAY 2019

The Greek Renewable Energy Market has experienced substantial growth in the last few years, due in part to a change in national energy policy. But what regulatory changes have taken place, what's expected to change and how has it impacted areas like Corporate PPAs?

Infrastructure in the Angolan Energy Sector

14 JUN 2018

The Angola Strategy 2025 (AE2025) sets out a long term vision for the country's power sector. The Strategy identifies investment

in the electricity sector as crucial, and in order to achieve the fairly ambitious targets set, the Government has set out an equally ambitious infrastructure plan.

Doubts and uncertainties regarding the draft of the new RES Decree

08 May 2018

A first draft of the new decree providing incentives for energy produced through renewable sources for the 3-year period 2018-2020 was circulated in the past weeks by the Ministry of Economic Development (the New RES Decree).

Tax incentives in Puerto Rico: a quick introduction

13 JUN 2017

Puerto Rico offers a spectrum of economic incentives aiming to promote many key industries. This handbook offers a quick look at ten of the most significant of these incentives.

NEWS

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 renforce son équipe Finance, Projets et Restructuring à Paris avec l'arrivée de Sebastien Praicheux

Le 2 septembre 2019

DLA Piper renforce son département Finance, Projets et Restructuring à Paris avec l'arrivée de Sébastien Praicheux en qualité d'associé.

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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.

DLA Piper conseille Proparco, Société Générale et FMO pour la mise en place d'un financement de 90 millions d'euros pour SIFCA

11 OCT 2018

DLA Piper a conseillé Proparco, FMO et Société Générale en tant que prêteurs dans le cadre du financement de SIFCA, leader agro-industriel en Afrique de l'Ouest, pour une valeur de prêt de 90 millions d'euros.

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.

DLA Piper launches Renewable Energy in Africa Guide

19 JUN 2018

DLA Piper's global Energy practice has today launched Renewable Energy in Africa, a major new guide for clients.

DLA Piper receives *Latin Lawyer* Deal of the Year award

25 APR 2018

DLA Piper received *Latin Lawyer's* Project Finance Deal of the Year award for its representation of Abengoa in the sale of a combined cycle power plant to a consortium consisting of Macquarie Capital and Techint.
