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Javier Santos represents international and Spanish investors in project finance matters in the energy sector, management buyout financing, mergers and acquisitions, privatisation, energy assignments and provides advice in numerous energy projects in Latin America, Africa, Middle East and East Europe.

He has also gained notable experience in international arbitration deals in relation to gas supply contracts.

He heads the energy practice in Spain and is location head of the litigation and regulatory practice. Javier is also a member of the firm's energy steering committee.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- Spanish

EXPERIENCE

- Advised Unión Fenosa Gas in the development of an LNG plant and terminal in Egypt (US\$1.2 billion of investment)
- Advised Hidrocarbónico (currently EDP) in the privatization and acquisition of Naturcorp, the gas incumbent in the Basque country
- Advised Unión Fenosa in the privatization of a 50 percent stake of the Dominican electricity distribution corporations Empresa Distribuidora de Electricidad del Sur S.A. (EDESUR) and Empresa Distribuidora de Electricidad del Norte S.A. (EDENORTE)
- Advised Unión Fenosa Gas in the development of an LNG project in Oman, including the negotiation and execution of various LNG sale and purchase agreements with the Oman government, joint venture agreements and shareholders agreements as well as reviewing project agreements (EPC, O&M, etc.)
- Advised NEO Energía (currently EDP Renováveis) in the acquisition of the renewable energy assets of Agrupación Eólica and CEASA (a portfolio in excess of 1,000 MW). The transaction includes advice in corporate, competition and regulatory matters
- Advised Florida Power & Light on all legal aspects related to their four 50-MW thermal solar projects in Spain

RELATED SERVICES

- Finance
- Projects, Energy and Infrastructure
- Infrastructure Finance
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations

RELATED SECTORS

- Energy and Natural Resources

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English Spanish

- Advised the project company and the Sponsors (Unión Fenosa, Endesa and Iberdrola) in the financing of a regasification plant in Sagunto
- Advised a Spanish gas company in three international arbitrations in connection with the review of price of gas sale and purchase agreements
- Advised an Italian company in two international arbitrations in connection with the review of price of gas sale and purchase agreements
- More than 30 project finance and MBO finance transactions on behalf of different Spanish banks

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Abogado registered with Ilustre Colegio de Abogados de Madrid

Prior Experience

Javier has previously worked in several global law firms.

Recognitions

He has been recommended by *Chambers and Partners* from 2011 to 2015 and *European Legal 500* from 2011 to 2013.

Education

- Universidad Pontificia Comillas, ICAI ICADE, Law Degree and Business Administration Diploma
- London School of Economics (LSE), University of London, Master in Laws (LL.M.)