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Yann Zellet focuses on banking, finance and restructuring work, with a particular focus on fund finance, green finance, secured lending, leveraged finance and real estate finance. Yann also regularly handles restructuring matters and securitisation transactions.

Yann regularly advises international companies, asset managers, green funds, private equity houses, real estate investment structures and financial institutions in various types of cross-border finance transactions, including acquisitions, financing and restructuring.

He has been involved in the drafting of various finance documentation, governed by Luxembourg law for leading banks and involving cross-border work.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- French

- Finance
- Projects, Energy and Infrastructure
- Real Estate
- Restructuring

- Financial Services
- Real Estate

English French

- Advising Lone Star Capital on the financing and acquisition of Propertize Bank in the Netherlands, including the corporate, real estate, finance and restructuring matters pertaining to real estate assets located in 12 jurisdictions and the underlying loans for a total value of EUR5,6bn.
- Advising Herbalife Ltd. and its Luxembourg subsidiaries on the refinancing through a USD1,45bn senior credit facility.
- Advising CSEIP on the structuring of the EUR500m bank financing and the intragroup equity and debt financing, coming from the Luxembourg investment funds vehicles involved in the pre-construction, under construction and operating wind farms.
- Advising the world's largest commercial real estate services firm on the EUR124m external refinancing of a Pan-European real estate portfolio, a EUR30m bridge loan for future acquisition and a EUR395m internal financing restructuring. The underlying real estate assets were located in France, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Netherlands and Portugal.
- Advising a leading Nordic bank on the financing of the acquisition of a EUR113,1m portfolio of 11 freehold office properties in Finland.

- Advising ABRY Partners on the EUR980m financing of the cross-border acquisition by AddSecure of Chiron Security Communications.
 - Assisting one of the world's largest independent financial advisory groups on bridge financing for of one of its Luxembourg investment funds.
 - Assisting an international group specialising in cinematographic activities in the acquisition, financing and restructuring of the Cine Invest group, which owns and operates eight multiplex cinemas in Belgium and in the Netherlands.
 - Advising one of the world's largest real estate investment management firms on the EUR124m external refinancing of a Pan-European real estate portfolio, a EUR30m bridge loan for future acquisition and a EUR395m internal financing restructuring. The assets were located in France, Belgium, Germany, Spain, Netherlands and Portugal.
 - Advising a US manufacturer group on its corporate and finance restructuring.
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Professional Qualifications

- Avocat admitted to the Paris Bar
- Avocat à la Cour registered with the Barreau de Luxembourg

Prior Experience

- 2021 - to date: Senior Associate, DLA Piper Luxembourg
- 2016 - 21: Associate, DLA Piper Luxembourg
- 2015: Trainee, Luxembourg law firm

Education

- Bar exam (*Certificat d'Aptitude à la Profession d'Avocat*)
 - University of Strasbourg (France), Master 2 in Banking and Finance Law
 - University of Strasbourg (France), Law degree in business law
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Publications

Clarity on financial assistance rules

6 April 2021

The Luxembourg legislator brings useful clarity on the non-application of criminal liabilities for the managers of SARLs in a financial assistance scenario

NEWS

DLA Piper announces promotions in Luxembourg

3 May 2021

DLA Piper is pleased to announce a new round of promotions in Luxembourg.

Supporting innovative businesses across Europe

2 December 2020

DLA Piper recently advised Claret Capital Partners ("Claret") and Harbert Management Corporation ("Harbert") on the closing of a significant transaction.

DLA Piper advises HICL Infrastructure on innovative new letter of credit facility

26 November 2020

DLA Piper has advised FTSE 250 company HICL Infrastructure plc ('HICL'), the UK's largest infrastructure investment company, in relation to a new fund level letter of credit facility and the amendment of its existing revolving credit facility. The facilities will support HICL's existing and future infrastructure projects in construction.

DLA Piper advises The Carlyle Group on the acquisition of prime French and German distribution logistics assets

29 October 2020

DLA Piper has advised global investment firm The Carlyle Group (NASDAQ: CG) on its acquisition of a portfolio of 27 distribution logistics assets in France and Germany. The transaction is structured as a sale-and-leaseback.
