

Juan Garicano

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Biography

Juan is an experienced international tax lawyer who helps Spanish and multinational clients develop sophisticated tax strategies for international operations and transactions, being able to understand client objectives and taking into account the legal, commercial and accounting implications involved in each project.

Juan focuses his practice on tax planning for cross-border transactions, assisting global and Spanish groups on their inbound and outbound operations, having structured transactions worth more than €55 billion along his career. In particular, he is an expert structuring investments in Latin America, having acted for European, US, Asian and Multilatin groups in most of the region, such as Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panamá, Peru or Uruguay allowing Juan to accumulate a wide knowledge of their accounting and tax systems.

Juan also has a long track record assisting private clients in their M&A, corporate reorganizations, wealth tax planning and acting on their behalf before the Spanish tax Administration and the Spanish Courts. Juan is a lecturer in International Taxation at the Master's Degree in International and European Business Law from Universidad Pontificia Comillas and regularly participates in round tables and seminars (FIDE, ESADE and Georgetown Club of Spain). Juan speaks Spanish, English and has a working knowledge of German.



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Languages

English
German
Spanish

Practices

Tax

Our legal work in Latin America

Education and admissions

Education

LL.M. in International Tax,
Georgetown University, 2004

Master in Tax Law, ESADE Business
School, 2004

Representative experience

Advising EnfraGen in a debt refinancing for a total of US\$1.8 billion.

Advising the Central America Bottling Corporation (CBC) on a US\$200 million issuance.

Advising the Latin American food and coffee conglomerate, BIA Foods Group, in the financing and acquisition of 51% in equity of the leading Ecuadorian coffee producer Solubles Instantaneos C.A.

Advising major U.S. oil group on restructuring international holding structure, involving Spanish, U.S., and Luxembourg entities with aggregate value of €47bn.

Playa Hotels & Resort in its corporate tax restructuring and later divestment of a hotel portfolio in Mexico and Dominican Republic worth \$700 million.

CBC group in the tax structuring and planning advice for the acquisition of the major water bottling company in Ecuador worth more than \$290 million.

Advising Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana in acquisition of pension and insurance business of ING Group in Chile, Colombia, Mexico, Peru, and Uruguay; aggregate value €2.6bn.

Advising Grupo de Inversiones Suramericana in the tax structuring of its acquisition of Royal Sun Alliance Insurance Group Latam's operations worth £403m.

Advising Euler Hermes in the tax aspects of its joint venture with Mapfre to form 'Solunion', and on the subsequent group reorganization.

Advising Grupo Boluda on its international tax structure.

Advising a major Spanish Family Office on its domestic and cross-border investments.

Representing a major UK listed company before the Spanish tax Administration and the Spanish Court in a tax litigation procedure.

Law Degree, University of Zaragoza, 2003

Memberships

Barcelona Bar Association

Georgetown Club of Spain

ESADE Alumni

Asociación Española de Derecho Financiero (AEDF)

Bar admissions and qualifications

Barcelona

Accolades

"He gets what I need and is very timely with his deliverables"

Chambers Europe 2022

"He is very knowledgeable"

Chambers Europe 2022

Juan always attends to you and solves any problem or request quickly and to the highest standard

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Juan Garicano is an impeccable lawyer who is always available to the client regardless of the day or the time, even though due to our location there is always a time difference. We have had meetings or calls late at night, and have always

Awards and rankings

- Recommended for Tax, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2021
- Up and Coming for Tax, *Chambers Europe*, 2019-2021
- Tax, *Iberian Lawyer Forty under 40*, 2017
- Ranked in Tax, *Chambers Europe*, 2022-2023

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - New tax obligations for platform operators as Spain transposes DAC7
- Awards & rankings
 - IFLR Americas Awards recognize Hogan Lovells as 'High Yield Team of the Year'
- Awards & rankings
 - Hogan Lovells transaction recognized as "Corporate ESG Deal" of the Year by LatinFinance
- News
 - Online intermediaries are obliged to collect Spanish VAT on sales of NFTs through their marketplaces
- News
 - Spain releases its long awaited draft list of non-cooperative jurisdictions
- Awards & rankings
 - Hogan Lovells transaction recognized as "ESG Bond Deal of the Year" by Bonds & Loans Latin America & Caribbean

received the best results. It is not normal for a partner to be available at dawn for a normal call that is not an emergency

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