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Biography

Blaise has experience across a wide range of industry sectors, with a particular emphasis on transactions in regulated environments. He dedicates a significant portion of his work to transactions within the financial services and insurance sectors.

Blaise regularly advises clients on complex reorganisations and restructurings, mergers and acquisitions and joint ventures, as well as bulk annuity and reinsurance transactions.

Representative experience

Metro Bank PLC on the sale of a £2.5bn residential mortgage portfolio to NatWest Group PLC.

IBM on its acquisition of SiXworks, a UK based consultancy serving the UK defence sector and specialising in digital transformation in secure environments, from Chiltern Capital and key management.

Royal London on two buy-in transactions with its own defined benefit (DB) pension schemes worth approximately £650m.

Shaftesbury plc on its all-share merger with Capital & Counties Properties plc to create Shaftesbury Capital PLC, to create a central London REIT with a combined portfolio of approximately £5bn.



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Languages

English

Practices

Mergers and Acquisitions

Africa Regional Practice

Health

Financial Services

Industries

Insurance

Financial Institutions

Life Sciences and Health Care

Education and admissions

M&G plc on its £286m buy-in transaction with the Northern Bank Pension Scheme and £309m buy-in transaction with the NSK Pension Scheme.

Cable and Wireless Superannuation Fund on its £340m buy-in transaction with Legal & General.

Qatar Insurance Company on its participation in a £200m investment by Pollen Street Capital in the insurance broker, Markerstudy, and QIC's ongoing partnership with Markerstudy.

AmerisourceBergen on its US\$6.47 billion acquisition of Alliance Healthcare from Walgreens Boots Alliance.

Goldman Sachs in connection with its investments in Starling Bank.

Electra Private Equity PLC on the demerger of Hostmore plc onto the Main Market of the London Stock Exchange and its transition to AIM as Unbound Group plc.

PerkinElmer, Inc. on its public takeovers of Horizon Discovery Group plc and Oxford Immunotec Global plc.

Latest thinking and events

■ Press releases

- Hogan Lovells advises Cazenove Capital, part of Schroders Wealth Management, on acquisition of Whitley Asset Management

■ Press releases

- Hogan Lovells advises Metro Bank PLC on sale of £2.5bn Residential Mortgage Portfolio to NatWest Group PLC

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- Hogan Lovells advises IBM on its acquisition of SiXworks

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- Hogan Lovells advises Cardano on its sale to Mercer

■ Press releases

- Hogan Lovells advises Marsh McLennan on the sale of Mercer's U.S. and UK administration

Education

Politics, Philosophy and Law (LLB),
King's College London, 2018

Bar admissions and qualifications

Solicitor, England and Wales

businesses to Bain Capital Insurance

- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Internet Mobile Communications Limited on \$450 million de-SPAC business combination with Crystal Peak Acquisition