Sarah Shaw

Partner

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Biography

Sarah is a seasoned M&A practitioner with an impressive range of experience advising on private acquisitions and disposals, public takeovers, joint ventures, strategic alliances, restructurings and business transfers.

Sarah's clients include a wide range of corporates, private equity funds, DFIs and infrastructure funds, whom she advises on their most complex and high-profile transactions.

Sarah is co-head of our Energy & Natural Resources group and a member of our M&A leadership team. She has experience across a number of sectors including, in particular, oil and gas, power, renewable energy, infrastructure and real estate.

Her practice is international and includes a particular focus on Africa and other emerging markets, where she has acted on some of the most significant platform M&A transactions in the energy sector in recent years.

Sarah is recommended as a Next Generation Partner by Legal 500 (2022) for M&A, and Power, and was recently identified as one of the best and brightest up and coming female lawyers in the UK by Law.com International. She is commended by clients for her user-friendly approach and ability to combine technical excellence with commercial, pragmatic advice.

Representative experience

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Languages

English
French
German

Practices

Commercial

Corporate Governance and Public Company Representation

Infrastructure, Energy, Resources, and Projects

Investment Funds

Joint Ventures

Mergers and Acquisitions

Private Equity

Securities and Public Company Advisory

infrastructure fund Morrison & Co, on its £130m investment in a 40% stake in the Kao data centre in Harlow

The Smedvig Family on the sale of the Norwegian Green Mountain data centre group to the Azrieli Group for US$850m

KBR on its US$400m acquisition of Frazer-Nash Consultancy from Babcock

AmerisourceBergen on its US$6.47bn acquisition of Walgreens Boots Alliance, Inc.'s Alliance Healthcare wholesale distribution business in Europe

Ford Motor Company on the establishment of a fleet management business in Europe with ALD Automotive

CPI Property Group S.A. (CPIPIG) on the €1.57bn joint takeover of Globalworth Real Estate investment Limited by CPIPG and Aroundtown SA

Prologis on the sale of a US$1.1bn portfolio of logistics properties in Europe and North America to Mapletree

MBH on the £95m sale of Millennium Bridge House in London EC4 to Beltane Asset Management and Angelo Gordon

BASF on the UK aspects of its US$3.5bn joint venture with Solenis

PPG on the UK aspects of the acquisition of Whitford Worldwide Company

Computer Sciences Corporation on its contested recommended £502m takeover offer for Xchanging plc

Imperial Brands on its US$7.1bn acquisition of the US Winston, Kool, Salem and Maverick tobacco cigarette brands and blu e-cigarette brand from Reynolds and Lorillard

Saudi Aramco on its landmark joint ventures with Rowan Companies and Nabors Industries to own, operate and manage drilling rigs in Saudi Arabia

IFC on its investment in Demica, one of the world's largest working capital financial technology firms

Our legal work in Africa

Industries

Energy and Natural Resources

Real Estate

Private Capital

Areas of focus

Corporate and Commercial Transactions

Infrastructure Funds

Oil and Gas: Exploration and Production

Oil and Gas: Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)

Oil and Gas: Pipelines and Midstream Facilities

Oil and Gas: Refinery and Petrochemical Projects

Oil and Gas: Supply, Marketing, and Trading

Nuclear Power

Raising Equity Capital

Hydrogen

Education and admissions

Education

Master, University of Cambridge

Legal Practice Course

Diploma, BPP University Law School

CDC on its joint acquisition with Norfund to acquire Globeleq, the leading pan-African power generation platform

Delek Group on the €355m sale of Delek Europe, which owns its Benelux and France based downstream operations, to TDR Capital

Chevron Corporation on the US$1.7bn sale of the Pembroke oil refinery and its UK and Irish fuel marketing and aviation businesses to Valero Energy Corporation

Royal Dutch Shell on the US$1bn disposal of its downstream business (inc. retail stations, commercial fuels, LPG lubricants and marine businesses) in 19 African Countries

DNO on its merger with RAK Petroleum of their Middle East and North African upstream businesses

Hitachi, Ltd on the £700m acquisition of Horizon Nuclear Power, a UK nuclear joint venture company, from E.ON AG and RWE AG

Dong Energy on the acquisition of a 100% ownership interest in the UK offshore wind development project, Race Bank, from Centrica

Macquarie and Ferrovial Aeropuertos on their joint acquisition of Aberdeen, Glasgow and Southampton Airports for £1.048bn from Heathrow Airport Holdings

Africa Finance Corporation and Harith General Partners on the merger of their respective assets to form the African power platform Anergi

Saudi Aramco on its landmark agreements with Rowan Companies and Nabors Industries to create 50/50 joint ventures

CDC on its joint venture with the Aga Khan Fund for Economic Development and Industrial Promotion Services to create a platform to develop and invest in power projects

Awards and rankings

- Next Generation Partner, M&A: Upper Mid-market and Premium Deals, *Legal 500 UK*, 2022

- Next Generation Partner, Power (including electricity, nuclear and renewables), *Legal 500 UK*, 2022

Latest thinking and events

- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises the Cygna Labs group's UK add-on acquisition of the DDI business from the NCC group
- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises IFC, EBRD and PFR on USD$290 million equity investment in Elemental Holding
- Insights and Analysis
  - Getting The Deal Through: Automotive 2022
- News
  - Hogan Lovells Living Mobility Spotlight Q&A series
- Webinar
  - 5G deployment: legal insights on corporate finance and infrastructure investment
- Hogan Lovells Events
  - Managing the European Employment issues in an international transaction