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Why choose us?



Allen & Overy stands for quality and innovation. In addition to our all-round expertise, transparency and building long-term relationships with our clients founded on mutual trust are the keys to our success.

Our approach: Client-oriented service based on uncompromisingly high quality standards, availability, business focus and flexibility.



At the cutting edge

We advise companies, banks and public institutions on all issues relating to commercial and capital markets law.

With more than 2,500 lawyers and over 40 offices around the world, Allen & Overy ranks among the leading law firms worldwide with the broadest geographical reach.

With four offices in Germany, we are never far away, and offer professional, efficient legal advice that is individually tailored to your needs.

QUICK FACTS

1994

Opening of our first office in Germany

Lawyers in Germany

German offices

Over 40 offices worldwide

Founded in London

Network of relationship law firms in more than 100 countries



Why Allen & Overy?





Our global network offers competitive edge

International companies need an international corporate law firm. This reduces their administrative workload and ensures a uniform quality standard. Among global market law firm participants, Allen & Overy has the broadest geographical reach: present in over 40 offices worldwide. In addition, we have a network of partner law firms in approximately 118 jurisdictions. You can be confident that we are able to support you at the highest level on the ground in virtually every country in the world, taking responsibility for the project management and coordination for your (cross-border) transactions, saving time and money.

Cross-practice expertise

Many transactions concern more than one jurisdiction. To ensure effective handling and to work in a cost-efficient manner, the comprehensive legal advice offered by our cross-practice teams is decisive, as isolated (ie partial) assessment can prove to be expensive. As a full-service law firm for all matters of German, English and U.S. corporate and capital markets law, we always keep the bigger picture in mind. Whatever direction the scope of advice may take, we respond in a fast, constructive manner, with the close cooperation of our various practice areas.





Solutions off the beaten track

Allen & Overy is known for innovation in the market. We structured the first Eurobond deal in 1963 and the first PPP transactions in the 1990s. We have won the FT Innovative Lawyers Award six times. For you this means that together we look for new solutions and also take unusual paths to achieve the best result for you.

Digineering the Law

Innovative technology and resourcing capabilities

Fuse

A tech innovation space where A&O lawyers and technologists work with clients and start-ups to bring cutting-edge technology solutions to life.

Our Legal Technology Group

We meanwhile have more than 40 experts in our team working on legal tech, among them legal practitioners, computer scientists, and innovation specialists.

Alongside A&O lawyers and clients, the Legal Tech team creates and uses advanced technology solutions to legal, regulatory and deal-related challenges and to help uncover the facts hidden in data.

Transaction Support Unit (TSU)

The members of our Transaction Support Unit offer you profound know-how of the German law regime, legal project management and legal tech solutions. Whilst working in integrated teams, close to our lawyers and our clients, conversant with relevant workflows, the Transaction Support Unit is able to provide customised working results with a particular focus on process optimization. For your projects the Transaction Support Unit can ease time constraints, save valuable costs and minimise the transaction process risk.

Germany Law Firm of the Year

Chambers Europe Awards 2023

Law Firm of the Year - Corporate/M&A

JUVE Awards 2019

International Law Firm of the Year

IFLR Europe Awards 2021

Most Innovative Law Firm in Europe

Winner of the Financial Times Innovative Lawyers Awards 2007, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2017, 2018

How we can support you

Our lawyers are top qualified experts in their respective fields boasting many years of experience in all major areas of commercial and finance law. Their legal expertise and industry knowledge offers you a valuable competitive advantage. Our services always follow the key principle of responding flexibly to your needs while keeping an eye on economic aspects at all times. We have thus geared our products towards your business operations and divided them into four key areas of advice.



Financing business operations

- Corporate financing
- Investment financing
- Refinancing
- Restructuring
- Structured financing, including:
 - Project financing
 - Asset financing and leasing
 - Securitisations
 - Derivatives

With equity or debt and taking into account all regulatory and banking regulatory aspects.

Securing and (further) developing business procedures

Ongoing legal advice in all areas of commercial and contract law, including:

- Corporate, stock corporation and corporate group law
- Remuneration systems, incentive plans
- Company pension schemes including contractual trust agreements (CTAs)
- Public law
- Real estate law
- Investment law
- Asset management
- Trademark law, licences and data protection
- M&A transactions, public takeovers, MBOs, LBOs
- Joint ventures and cooperations
- Merger control
- Employment law issues arising in the course of business transactions
- Complex group restructurings
- Tax structuring







Avoiding risks and protecting reputation

- Corporate Governance
- Compliance in all key areas of legal advice
- Structuring/auditing of compliance management systems (CMS) and guidelines
- Ombudsman and whistleblowing systems
- Professional indemnity
- IP/brand protection
- Banking regulatory law
- Data protection/cybersecurity
- Corporate social responsibility (CSR)

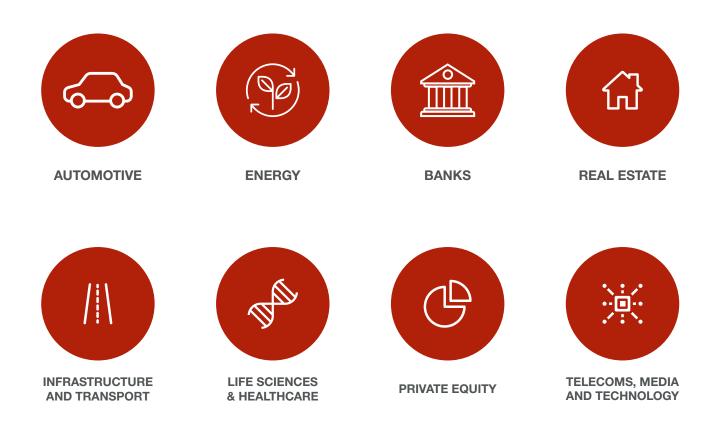
Resolving conflicts and defending values

- National, cross-border and multinational disputes and proceedings
- Class action lawsuits
- Arbitration
- Internal investigations, workforce investigations, compliance due diligence
- Cartel and abuse proceedings
- Damages and liability, D&O issues
- Collective bargaining and industrial disputes law
- Restructuring/streamlining, negotiations on reconciling interests and social plans
- Tax investigations and tax disputes

Sector expertise – when professional expertise is the decisive advantage

Each economic sector requires its own legal expertise. Only those who have in-depth, up-to-date market knowledge can offer the best practical legal advice at the crucial moment. Our partners and lawyers are members of important industry associations; we attach great importance to professional expertise in our teams.

Many of our lawyers are leading figures in their field of expertise and, in addition, have completed studies in management, medicine, engineering or natural sciences. We keep our finger on the pulse of the market and apply the expertise of numerous legal precedents from the relevant sector. Thus you always benefit from the expertise that is required to provide the best advice on your transaction.





Highlights from previous transactions

Uniper SE

on the EUR33bn stabilisation package, which was agreed between Uniper, the German Federal Government and the major former Uniper shareholder Fortum Oyj.

DigitalBridge Group, Inc.

together with Brookfield Infrastructure and its institutional partners on an agreement to acquire a 51% ownership stake in GD Towers.

Allianz Capital Partners, AIP Management and Norges Bank Investment Management

on the acquisition of a 49.9% stake in the planned 960 MW offshore wind farm "He Dreiht" from EnBW EnergieBaden-Württemberg AG.

RAG Foundation

one of the largest German foundations, as part of a consortium under the lead of private equity investors Advent and Cinven, on the acquisition of the elevator business from thyssenkrupp AG. Volume: EUR17.2 billion

alstria

on the public takeover bid by Brookfield. The offer values alstria at an equity value of EUR3.5bn and an implied gross asset value of EUR5bn.

TUI AG

on several bn EUR capital measures and transactions: EUR1.1bn capital increase, EUR1.8bn financing package to bridge the Covid-19 pandemic as well as two M&A transactions (sale of the EUR1.5bn RIU hotel joint venture stake and the EUR1.2bn TUI cruise joint venture with Royal Caribbean).

Hamburger Hafen und Logistik AG (HHLA)

on the strategic investment of COSCO Shipping Ports Limited (CSPL), a Hong Kong listed terminal operator and member of COSCO Shipping Group, in HHLA Container Terminal Tollerort (CTT).

Scout24

in connection with the carve-out of the AutoScout24 business and on the conversion into a European stock corporation (Societas Europaea).

The Riverside Company

on the IPO of Bike24, a leading e-commerce platform which is all about cycling. Volume: EUR332 million

Advent International

on the sale of allnex Group to Netherlands-based PTTGC International (Netherlands) B.V., a wholly owned subsidiary of Bangkok-based PTT Global Chemical Public Company Limited. This is one of the biggest private equity deals in 2021. Volume: approx. EUR4bn

SAP SE

on the takeover of Signavio GmbH, a leading company in the field of business process intelligence and process management.

Banco Santander

on the acquisition of highly specialised technological assets of the European merchant payment services and processing business (Merchant Payments; Acquiring & Issuing) of Wirecard group.

American Tower

on the EUR7.7bn acquisition of Telxius Towers, comprising approximately 31,000 existing communications sites in Germany, Spain, Brazil, Chile, Peru and Argentina, from Telefónica.

Franz Haniel & Cie GmbH

on the sale of ELG Haniel GmbH (ELG) to Luxembourg-based steel producer Aperam S.A.

A banking syndicate

on the establishment of a EUR5bn debt issuance programme for Vantage Towers AG, a leading towers company in the telecommunications sector in Europe.

Bridgepoint

through its portfolio company PharmaZell GmbH on entering into exclusive negotiations with French Groupe Novasep SAS in a new drive to create a technology-driven leader for complex small molecules and ADCs of global scale.

The market-leading U.S. technology company

on employment advice, including on the preparation and implementation of works council elections, HR compliance, complex termination processes and advice in connection with flexible working arrangements due to the Covid-19 crisis.

Daimler AG

in connection with the spin-off of the Daimler truck division with the conclusion of a syndicated loan agreement in the amount of EUR18bn for Daimler Truck Holding AG, Daimler Truck AG and various Daimler truck financing companies.



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Global presence

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