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“We believe that the key to our success is the way we deliver our advice. We take care to know and understand our clients’ needs and business environment so that we can provide the most comprehensive yet accurate legal advice.”

Arkadiusz Pędzich, Managing Partner – CEE, Warsaw

The integration of the Warsaw office into the international network of Allen & Overy offices ensures a comprehensive sharing of knowledge, processes, skills and information technology systems. Our clients enjoy the advantage of working with a truly international firm which seamlessly combines both local and global expertise.
Welcome to Allen & Overy in Warsaw

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**Band 1 Capital Markets (Debt) practice in Poland**
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Chambers Europe 2019, Legal 500 2019

**QUICK FACTS**

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Office in Poland

130+  
Professionals

60+  
Lawyers

9  
Partners

28  
Years of local experience
Our comprehensive legal expertise

We seek to combine extensive international experience of managing corporate and financial transactions with both expertise in new and complex legal areas and excellent local law advice provided by top-class Polish and foreign lawyers.

We have developed a team of lawyers with specialisations covering Allen & Overy’s core practice areas. This enables us to staff major transactions locally, with the facility to involve experts from other Allen & Overy offices if required. Our lawyers cooperate across practice groups to offer clients integrated and business-oriented solutions.
Selection of recent key deals and cases includes advising:

**SANTANDER BANK POLSKA, MBANK AND BANK GOSPODARSTWA KRAJOWEGO** on financing of *Suntago Water World*, the largest tropical-themed water park in Poland and Europe.

**PSA INTERNATIONAL, THE POLISH DEVELOPMENT FUND AND IFM GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE FUND** on financing of the acquisition of DCT Gdańsk, the largest deepwater container terminal in Poland, from Macquarie Infrastructure and Real Assets, MTAA Super, AustralianSuper and Statewide Super.

**MACQUARIE EUROPEAN INFRASTRUCTURE FUND, INEA S.A. AND OTHER COMPANIES FROM INEA GROUP** on the refinancing of the existing indebtedness of INEA group, the financing of the capex requirements and the general corporate purposes of the group.

**THE LENDERS** on a PLN1.42bn credit facility for *TELE-FONIKA Kable* to finance the acquisition of JDR Cable Systems (Holdings) Limited.

**ATRIUM EUROPEAN REAL ESTATE** on refinancing for the acquisition of the *Wars Sawa Junior* department store complex in the Warsaw city centre, provided by Helaba.

**FRANKLIN TEMPLETON INVESTMENTS** on acquisition of an office building at *Nowy Rynek* complex in Poznań from Skanska. *Nowy Rynek* is an investment located on the crossroads of Poznan’s main arteries, in the very heart of the city’s fastest developing quarter.

**SANTANDER BANK POLSKA** on establishing a EUR5bn EMTN programme and a EUR500m drawdown under the programme. It was the first EMTN programme established by Santander Bank Polska and the first Polish EMTN programme that includes an option to issue MREL-compliant notes.

**PKO BANK HIPOTECZNY** on the issue of green covered bonds. This was the first issue of green covered bonds by a Polish mortgage bank.

**INNOVA CAPITAL, A LEADING CEE PRIVATE EQUITY FUND** on the acquisition of a 33.74% stake in *Oshee Polska*, a market leader in functional beverages and dietary products in Poland and the subsequent acquisition of *Sonko*, a rice and rice waffles producer.

**THE GREEN ORGANIC DUTCHMAN HOLDINGS, A CANADIAN CANNABIS RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT COMPANY** on its USD15.5m acquisition of 100% of shares in *HemPoland*, a Polish manufacturer and marketer of organic CBD oils and extracts.

**CEMEX POLSKA** in a landmark case originating in a cartel decision of the Polish Competition Authority by which the authority imposed the highest fines in its history on five cement producers, including Cemex Polska. After managing to secure a substantial decrease of the fine by the Court of Competition and Consumer Protection and subsequently by the Court of Appeal, we submitted a cassation (extraordinary appeal) against the Court of Appeal’s judgment.

**ONE OF THE LARGEST FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS IN POLAND** on a high profile matter regarding a fin-tech antitrust investigation before the European Commission.

**A MULTINATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL, CHEMICAL AND LIFE SCIENCES COMPANY** in a case involving the defence of a patent against infringement by three pharmaceutical companies which simultaneously offered and marketed products with virtually identical compositions compared to the product protected by the patent.

**A MULTINATIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND E-COMMERCE COMPANY** in dealing with keyword advertising trade mark infringement allegations related to internet search advertising.

**A MAJOR POLISH BANK AS A CLAIMANT** in three litigations against an insurer under export credit insurance agreements which involve aggregate claims exceeding EUR75m, complex cross-border legal issues, including Polish, Russian and Hungarian law, and which test the scope of the insurer’s liability and the duties of an insured financial institution.
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Chambers Europe 2019 (Banking & Finance – Poland)

“Remarkable strength in DCM transactions. Primarily advises banks and also represents the Polish state in the issuance of bonds. Active in derivatives transactions. Outstanding international experience, including assisting Polish entities in raising financing with foreign exchanges. Boasts strong regulatory expertise. Increasingly active in securitisation mandates.”

Chambers Europe 2019 (Capital Markets: Debt – Poland)

“All & Overy, A. Pedzich sp. k.’s team of ‘open-minded professionals’ specialises in high-value cross-border M&A transactions, relating in particular to the energy, infrastructure, manufacturing, financial services and TMT sectors.”

Legal 500 2019 (Commercial, Corporate and M&A – Poland)

“Market-leading team in the Polish competition market. Demonstrates prowess in antitrust mandates with a strong track record in handling cartel investigation cases, and also represents clients in court. Frequently advises on merger control, assisting high-profile domestic and international companies. Also offers expertise in EU law. Clients additionally benefit from its practical expertise in relation to abuse of dominant position, dawn raids and consumer protection.”

Chambers Europe 2019 (Competition/Antitrust – Poland)
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