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Deeply embedded within our sectors | We focus on four key international sectors: Energy, Sustainability & Real Estate; Tech, Media & Comms; Life Sciences & Healthcare; and Private Wealth.

The right firm to deal with complex international matters | We work with international clients on complex opportunities and problems and provide a full set of expert legal services. We are particularly renowned for our work in the tech sector, with our Corporate/M&A and Commercial Tech & IP teams working hand-in-hand. We have close working relationships with some of the biggest tech brands, and we've also worked with many of the most innovative start-ups emerging in the market.

The global law firm | We have a network of 28 international offices supplemented by a best friend network that serves all the world's key economies.

Office locations include | Amsterdam, Beijing, Berlin, Bratislava, Brno, Brussels, Budapest, Cambridge, Dubai, Dublin, Dusseldorf, Eindhoven, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Hong Kong SAR, Klagenfurt, Kyiv, Liverpool, London, Munich, Seoul, Shanghai, Paris, Prague, Vienna, Warsaw.

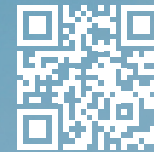
Strategic alliance with ECIJA | Our strategic alliance with leading Spanish law firm ECIJA means clients looking to do business in Spain, Portugal and 15 jurisdictions across Latin America are supported by one of the best multidisciplinary law firms in these regions with a well-established reputation for innovation and success.

A selection of our legal services:

 Banking & Finance	 Brands & Advertising	 Commercial & Consumer Contracts	 Competition, EU & Trade	 Copyright & Media Law	 Corporate Crime & Compliance
 Corporate/M&A & Capital Markets	 Data Protection & Cyber	 Disputes & Investigations	 Employment, Pensions & Mobility	 Information Technology	 Patents & Innovation
 Private Client	 Private Equity	 Real Estate & Construction	 Restructuring & Insolvency	 Tax	 Venture Capital



Watch our international full service practice video here



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Their advice is always sensible, straightforward and not stuck in legal jargon. Their service is always timely, and their responses are always thoughtful and substantial.

Chambers and Partners 2024

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The team provides us with excellent interdisciplinary advice. This collaboration also works smoothly across several locations.

Legal 500 Energy Sector 2024

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The colleagues at Taylor Wessing have in-depth knowledge of the industry and therefore know how to offer customized solutions in the shortest possible time. The collaboration with our in-house colleagues runs smoothly and is always very professional.

Legal 500 Energy Sector 2023

- ★★★★ Energy sector: Transactions
- ★★★★★ Project development and plant construction
- ★★★★ Planning and environment law
- ★★★★ Real estate law
- ★★★★ Loans and acquisition finance

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Our International Corporate/M&A practice

We are...

Expert | We're a full-service, international corporate practice. We help you throughout your business journey – from set-up and VC backed early-to-growth-stage funding to larger investments like private equity buy-outs and public and private M&A deals of any size and complexity. We also do IPOs and capital markets deals. We complete hundreds of transactions every year, so we've probably seen your situation before – and handled it successfully.

Connected | We're well networked. We live in our sectors, and we're connected to market-shaping companies, investors, and advisers. When we work in our key international sectors – tech and media, life sciences and healthcare, real estate, energy and sustainability, and private wealth – our clients see the depth of our expertise and feel the strength of our connections.

Innovative | We find innovative solutions to legal problems and we're the right firm for some of the world's most innovative – and disruptive – businesses. We identify potential challenges before they become issues, de-risk transactions and get you the best outcome possible.

International | We work globally as an integrated international team. We've advised on some of the most interesting and complex deals and fundraisings. We have offices in Europe, USA, the Middle East and Asia and we understand the cultural nuances that can make or break a deal.

Pragmatic | We're good to work with. You'll like us. We're deal pragmatists. We won't waste your time, but we're always available to update you on progress, so you're confident we're making a difference to your transaction.

European legal powerhouse

M&A | We advise clients on public and private transactions across the value range, helping them navigate highly complex deal processes. Our International M&A team works with experts from our IP and IT, commercial, regulatory, finance, employment, tax, and other practices. We are particularly recognized for our work in helping companies from the US, Middle East, and Asia expand into Europe through acquisition, as well as helping them set up, develop and reorganize businesses in Europe.

Venture Capital | We are the venture capital specialists, acting for the most high-profile investors in the market – from venture capital firms to corporate investors, sovereign wealth and pension funds – as well as many of the most successful early- and growth-stage investee companies across the world. We've advised on many headline-grabbing investments, and many clients have been with us since their inception, valuing our strategic, tactical and technical advice.

Private Equity | Our Private Equity team is a leader in mid-market leveraged cross-border transactions. We act for many private equity sponsors, investee companies, management teams and debt providers, and work across a range of industries and deal sizes. Our core team is complemented by all the specialist advisory services required for complex buy-out transactions, including leveraged finance and tax experts.

Capital Markets | We provide a full range of services on international securities transactions and offerings including IPOs, secondary issues, public M&A, tender offers and bond offerings.

Corporate by numbers

More than **1,000** M&A deals and fundraises every year.

At least **30%** involve multiple jurisdictions.

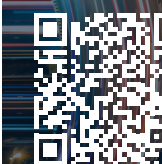
More than **100** partners and **300** lawyers in Europe, the Middle East, USA and Asia.

Strategic alliance with **ECIJA** to cover Spain, Portugal and Latin America.

Top tier venture capital and private equity practices.

Largest dedicated tech M&A practice in Europe.

For our recent deals please see



Leading adviser for sustainability technologies and the energy turnaround

We are experts in M&A, Venture Capital and Private Equity and in advising the Renewable Energy and sustainability sector. For about two decades, we have been guiding our clients who are investing in the Renewables and sustainability sector and those who are developing new sustainable technologies and services.

International | Taylor Wessing's international cleantech and renewable energy team is part of its international Energy & Infrastructure sector group.

Expertise | We have been active in the renewable energy sector for around 20 years and has market-leading expertise, in transactions and financing, power purchase agreements (PPAs), (energy) plant construction including the drafting and negotiation of engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) and service and maintenance contracts as well as in securing land, planning and permitting and litigation. Our experts in the fields of regulatory energy law and public law are central to our high-quality advice on renewable energy projects.

Full Service | In a market environment with an ever-increasing regulatory framework, we advise on all stages of the energy value chain, from generation to transport and consumption. We offer full-service advice throughout all phases of a renewable energy project: from planning and financing, drafting and negotiating of the relevant project contracts and advising on all necessary authorisations right through to construction and sale or acquisition. We advise developers, landowners, EPC contractors, off-takers, regulators, banks and funders across a number of jurisdictions.

Focus | Our extensive experience in all aspects and on all stages of renewable energy projects enables us to focus on the most important legal aspects of each project.

Our legal services include:

- Renewable Transactions & Projects
- Energy Project Finance
- Portfolio Transactions
- Regulatory Energy Law
- Planning and Permitting
- EPV and Energy Plant Construction
- PPAs and Power Concepts
- Cleantech VC & PE
- Sustainability-Linked Financing
- Energy Disputes
- Patent-related Disputes

Gain a deeper insight into our cleantech and renewables expertise here



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Some recent work highlights



Advised World Fund, a leading climate venture capital fund, on its €40m growth funding for ENOUGH, a food-tech start-up pioneering high-scale sustainable protein production.

ENCAVIS

Advised ENCAVIS, a leading operator of wind and solar parks AG, on the structuring and closing of a €300m revolving credit facility and regularly on acquisitions in the wind farm and solar park sector, such as on the acquisition of a 28 megawatt solar park in the Valladolid region of Spain.



Long-standing advise to Emerald Technology Ventures, latest as lead investor in the Series A funding in the battery company Colibri Energy.



Advised FRV-X, the venture department of Fotowatio Renewable Ventures (FRV), on a €10m investment in ecoligo, a Berlin-based provider of solar as a service.



Regularly advise to CEE Group, an asset manager specialising in renewable energies, regularly on the acquisition of solar parks and wind farms, most recently on the acquisition of the Stüdenitz-Schönermark solar park in Brandenburg.



Advised SET Ventures as lead investor on a Series A funding in Frequenz energy-as-a-service. Frequenz develops AI-based solutions to reduce electricity consumption and costs for businesses.



Advised the battery system manufacturer Triathlon Holding on its complete merger with the Sunlight Group. Following Sunlight's acquisition of an initial 51% stake in Triathlon.



Advised Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board as lead investor on a Series C funding of \$95m in instagrid GmbH, a provider of high-performance portable battery systems.



Advised Cambridge Electric Cement, a University of Cambridge spin-out, on its £2.25m seed funding round to industrialise low carbon, circular cement production.



Advised Equator VC, a VC firm targeting technology-enabled, early-stage ventures in energy, agriculture and mobility that are accelerating an equitable climate transition, on its investment in Global dMRV startup Downforce Technologies.



Advised GeoPura, a UK-based green hydrogen pioneer established to decarbonise global economies using zero-emission fuels, on its £56m investment round with backing from UK Infrastructure Bank.



Advised Trill Impact and Kiko Ventures on a €55m funding round in tado, a manufacturer of smart home thermostats and Europe's largest smart home specialist.



Advised the existing investors Eurazeo Global Investor, Aster Energy Ventures, SF Beteiligungs GmbH & Co. KG and Inven Capital on a multi-stage Series E funding round (convertible loan, venture debt, equity funding, public grants) with a volume of approximately €500m for Sunfire GmbH, the market leader in the development and production of industrial electrolyzers for „green hydrogen“.

The Taylor Wessing Team at the European Venture Fair



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Peter has extensive experience in international and transatlantic deal management. He specializes in national and international M&A, private equity and venture capital transactions and has been advising clients on all aspects of corporate law for many years. His industry focus is on technology-based industries.



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Howard is recognised as one of the UK's leading advisers on venture capital investments, especially on deals in the cleantech and fintech sectors. He specialises in advising on both M&A and venture capital investments, working for both companies and investors. Clients say they value his meticulous and highly practical advice.

Howard primarily works with companies from the technology, cleantech and life sciences sectors.



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Maria specialises in private equity and venture capital and advises shareholders, investors, as well as companies on all matters relating to corporate law - from a company's formation to its exit. She focuses her practice on advising clients at all phases of company acquisitions and disposals, in particular, on matters relating to buy-outs and exits, as well as the different types of equity financing.



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Felipe advises corporates, financial institutions, PE and VC funds on domestic and cross-border M&A and venture capital transactions with a focus on deals in the infrastructure, cleantech and renewables sector. Felipe has many years of experience with assets in the transportation and logistics sector (in particular rolling stock, shipping and aviation).

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