

## News

## **LEGAL 500 EMEA GUIDE 2024**

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BCLP is pleased to announce that it has been ranked in the Legal 500 EMEA guide for 2024. The firm has been acknowledged for our work in 15 practice areas, across 4 jurisdictions. 9 lawyers were highlighted as leading individuals and, Farida Sadiq and Richard Dupay from the firm's Dubai office have been identified as rising stars.

BCLP's Dubai Real Estate team maintains its Tier 1 ranking, solidifying its position as a top-tier practice. The Construction team have retained its Tier 2 ranking as well as Disputes Resolution at Tier 3. Clients remarked that:

- 'The team understands the market, the issues we have, and the advice we require. They consistently deliver high quality, commercially minded, and responsive advice.'
- 'A hard-working team with strong legal and technical knowledge and experience. It is always into the detail and understand the complexities of a case.'

BCLP's Brussels/EU competition practice 'leverages its global reach to provide strategic advice on the gamut of competition law issues to large US, Japanese and European corporates, as well as national and international bodies, including the European Commission and the UN's antitrust directorates.'

Clients of Partner Dave Anderson and senior associate Paul Culliford, mentioned that 'their advice always fits the reality of the business,' and 'we are very impressed with the Brussels team's deep knowledge of multi-national merger control issues in Europe and their remarkable oversight of complex transactions in that regard.'

In Paris, the Tax team moved up in the ranking, with the Competition, Energy, Real Estate teams sustaining their Tier 3 ranking. The Restructuring and Insolvency team has entered the ranking for the first time, with the Banking & Finance, Commercial Litigation and Employment teams retaining their Tier 4 ranking. Leading lawyer, Julie Catala Marty has been highlighted for her work in the EU Competition and Distribution. Christine Daric and Olivier Mesmin are ranked as leading individuals for Tax. Laurent Schittenhelm has been ranked for his work in the Real Estate team. Clients say:

- Banking & Finance: 'High availability and adaptation to sometimes tight deadlines. Ability to manage difficulties and provide solutions.'
- Commercial Litigation: 'Amazing capacity to innovate and identify new defense strategies.'
- Competition & Distribution: 'Quality team both professionally and interpersonally very attentive to customers and very pragmatic and innovative in their work. It is a team that knows how to adapt to all situations/requests, both on an administrative level and it's working style.'
- Employment: 'Team that knows how to make itself available, ultra competent in its field and committed. Strong tenacity.'
- Energy: 'The team has developed the most comprehensive industrial expertise in renewable energy in the Paris market.'
- Real Estate: 'Complete, skilled, responsive and always available team. Very good long-term support. This team is a partner of choice.'
- Restructuring & Insolvency: 'This is a very fine firm with cutting-edge expertise in restructuring.

  The restructuring team was strengthened this year with the arrival of counsel Marie Gicquel.'
- Tax: 'Great technical knowledge of real estate and the practices of its stakeholders.
   Operational vision which goes beyond taxation allowing a great sense of adaptation to the recommended operation.'

BCLP's German team was highlighted for their increased visibility in the Real Estate Finance Market over the past few years, with a client noting that the team is 'highly professional and socially competent.' It has also been recognized that our team has strengthened its Real Estate capabilities, with comments such as 'Consistently great quality, good people, excellent market overview.'

The Legal 500 is an independent guide which analyses the capabilities of law firms across the world, with a comprehensive research Programme revised and updated every year to bring the most up-to-date vision of the global legal market. The EMEA guide provides researched coverage of over 80 countries and over 2,700 ranked law firms.

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