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Andrew is Of Counsel in the firm's corporate practice with a focus on the oil & gas and energy sectors.

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BACKGROUND

Andrew holds an LL.B (Law with American Law) from the University of Nottingham which included one year at the University of Texas at Austin. He spent a year working at a leading law firm in Trinidad before joining Herbert Smith Freehills. He was seconded to BP for 10 months in 2011-12.

KEY SERVICES

Mergers & Acquisitions
Projects

KEY SECTORS

Oil and Gas
Power

EXPERIENCE

Andrew's experience includes advising international oil companies, financial buyers and traders on mergers & acquisitions, project development, joint ventures and commercial contracts in relation to the entire oil & gas value chain.

Andrew's experience includes advising:

- Woodside, Cairn, FAR and Petrosen in relation to the development of the SNE / Sangomar fields, offshore Senegal
- Vitol on its US\$7 billion oil & gas project in Ghana including advising on the gas sales agreement with GNPC
- Tullow on the development of its Kenyan upstream assets and the East Africa Pipeline, a crude oil pipeline to export the crude oil from Kenya
- Trident Energy on the acquisition (together with Kosmos Energy) of Hess International Petroleum, Inc., the indirect owner of an 80.75% participating interest in the Block G offshore oil and gas field in Equatorial Guinea
- BP on the disposal of its downstream businesses in Tanzania, Malawi, Zambia, Namibia and Botswana to Puma Energy