




LEOPOLDO GONZÁLEZ- ECHENIQUE

PARTNER, HEAD OF FINANCIAL SERVICES
REGULATORY

[Madrid](#)

Leopoldo heads the Financial Services Regulatory practice in the Madrid office.

 +34 91 423 41 17

 Leopoldo.gechenique@hsf.com

 [linkedin.com/in/leopoldo-gonz%C3%A1lez-echenique-castellanos-de-ubao-157721a7](https://www.linkedin.com/in/leopoldo-gonz%C3%A1lez-echenique-castellanos-de-ubao-157721a7)

BACKGROUND

Leopoldo's previous roles include state attorney at departments including the Ministry of Economy and Treasury and the Ministry of Interior Affairs and Security, and Deputy Legal Services Director at the Spanish Stock Exchange Commission (CNMV).

Within the private sector, he has served on the boards of several companies, including Barclays Spain, as general counsel, secretary to the board; NH Hotel Group, as general counsel, deputy secretary to the board; and Sotogrande SA, as secretary to the board. In 2012, he joined RTVE (national Spanish broadcaster) as executive president.

KEY SERVICES

Financial Services Regulatory
Compliance Advisory

KEY SECTORS

Banks

EXPERIENCE

Leopoldo heads the Madrid office's Financial Services Regulatory practice as part of the overall mercantile law practice. He joined Herbert Smith Freehills in 2015 with more than two decades of experience in various roles within the public and private sectors, including as state attorney in several government ministries and a board member for a number of companies.

He advises wholesale and retail banking and other financial institutions - including private wealth managers, asset management and insurance companies- on a wide range of regulatory and compliance matters on the financial regulatory issues affecting their businesses in Spain.

Leopoldo's experience includes advising on a wide range of the corporate and commercial aspects involved in the ordinary and extraordinary course of the businesses of large multinationals.

PUBLICATIONS

In the academic arena, Leopoldo regularly contributes to leading legal publications, and has extensive experience as a speaker at conferences and as a professor at academic institutions. He is also corresponding member of the Spanish Royal Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation.