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Rebecca is a corporate partner specialising in the energy and natural resources sectors. She is the head of our Paris Energy, Mining and Infrastructure team.

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## BACKGROUND

Rebecca is a British national who is qualified to advise on English and French law (Solicitor of England and Wales and Avocat au Barreau de Paris) and speaks fluent French. She is a partner in our Paris office where she has worked for 17 years. She also co-led our energy and natural resources team in Tokyo for 5 years. Rebecca teaches at Sciences Po and at the Institut Français du Pétrole and is also the office "diversity partner". She has worked on a number of Government capacity building programmes in Africa with the ALSF, GIZ/Connex and the ISLP.

## KEY SERVICES

Corporate  
Mergers and Acquisitions

## KEY SECTORS

Energy  
Mining

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## EXPERIENCE

Rebecca advises clients on acquisitions, sales, joint ventures and project development, notably in the energy and natural resources sectors. She has many years of experience of doing cross border work, particularly in Europe and Africa (Rebecca has advised on deals in most of Africa's 54 jurisdictions), but also has substantial experience in Asia, South America and the Middle East.

*Chambers Global 2019* says that Rebecca is highly valued by clients, who note that she "goes the extra mile" and is further recognised for her "perfect technical expertise".

*Who's Who France (Energy) 2019* quotes peers as saying that Rebecca is "really good on the corporate side of transactions".

*Chambers Global 2018* quoted clients as saying that "She's a great person to have on your side in negotiations."

Recent experience includes advising:

- Hermes Infrastructure and CGNEE on their acquisition of a portfolio of five Swedish wind farms with total capacity of 813MW from Aquila Capital
- EDF on various investments in Africa and Europe (power and gas/LNG)
- Mitsubishi Corporation on (i) the increase of its interest in the Quellaveco copper mine in Peru by 21.9% (held with Anglo American); (ii) the disposal of its various upstream oil and gas assets in Africa (Angola, Gabon, Tunisia); and (iii) the internal reorganisation of its renewables business in Europe (DGE)
- Mitsui on the negotiation of the acquisition from Vale of an interest in the Moatize coal mine in Mozambique and in the related Nacala rail and port infrastructure in Mozambique and Malawi (total investment of USD768 million)
- Sumitomo Corporation on its acquisition of, and ongoing interests in, the Ambatovy nickel and cobalt mine project in Madagascar (including various restructurings)
- Maurel et Prom on its acquisition/disposal of upstream oil and gas assets in various countries, including Venezuela, Myanmar, Tanzania, and Syria
- Subsea7 on its acquisition of an interest in Airborne Oil & Gas, a thermoplastic composite pipe manufacturer for the oil and gas sector
- Eramet on its non-solicited takeover offer to acquire Australian listed company Mineral Deposits Limited
- The lenders on the USD3.9 billion sale of ENGIE's exploration and production business to Neptune Energy (corporate support)
- The lenders on the USD587 million sale of Shell's Gabonese upstream business to Assala

## Energy (corporate support)

- AIIM, BWS and IFD Denmark on the shareholder arrangements for the 90MW Albatros thermal power plant in Kayes, Western Mali
- CNIM on the sale of its indirect interest in SELCHP, owner of a major waste to energy plant in the UK (South Bermondsey, London)
- MHI on the creation of a major joint venture with Hitachi to integrate their respective thermal power generation systems (to create MHPS)
- Willis Towers Watson on the sale of 13 of its African subsidiaries
- CGNEE on its acquisition of the 6000kW Estinnes wind project in Belgium
- AXPO on its acquisition of Urbasolar, a leading French company specialising in the development, construction and operation of large capacity photovoltaic power plants
- a confidential client on its potential investment in a number of floating production, storage and offloading units (FPSOs) in Brazil