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## Public-Private Partnerships FRANCE

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## Projects (Finance & Infrastructure)

### Public-Private Partnerships in France

Gide Loyrette Nouel (GLN) advises and assists many of the public bodies, sponsors and financiers involved in the significant revival in public-private partnerships (PPPs) in France. As early as 2002, Gide Loyrette Nouel was associated by public bodies with the conception of new forms of PPP, especially the creation of partnership contracts.

GLN has been involved in all the leading French infrastructure concessions over the last twenty years and participates in all major partnership contract projects. GLN offers its experience of French public contracts to PPPs, including from a dispute standpoint, and its worldwide project finance experience which is acclaimed by specialist publications and institutions. By virtue of its size, the PPP group can work simultaneously on a large number of projects and allocates a dedicated cross-disciplinary team to each tendering and competitive dialogue procedure. Accordingly, GLN contributes to the development of best practice, tax-efficiency and the most competitive and innovative financing techniques.

#### Selected Recent Transactions

- **Ministry of Defence, BSAH ships, France (2010-ongoing):** advising a bidding candidate during the tender process for the preparation of contractual and financial documentation.
- **Fédération Française de Tennis, Roland Garros, France (2011):** advising the French tennis federation on the restructuring of Roland Garros stadium.
- **Ministry of Defence New Headquarters, France (2009-2011):** advising a bidder for the design, financing, renovation, restructuring, construction and maintenance as well as IT and ancillary services of the new headquarters of the Ministry of Defence in the south of Paris. This project includes a real estate programme in the vicinity of the new headquarters.
- **A63 Motorway, France (2009-ongoing):** advising Atlandes, the winning consortium, during the tender procedure and closing of the A63 motorway concession project. We are also advising Atlandes during the construction period.
- **Energy Performance PPP / Department of Defence - Military District (2010):** advising a bidding candidate for a partnership contract for energy performance in a military district.
- **Lorraine High Schools, France (2009-ongoing):** advising a bidding consortium during the tender (competitive dialogue) for three high schools and the closing of transactions.
- **Maintenance Centres (*Centres d'Entretien et d'Intervention*) for national roads, France (2009-2010):** advising a group of companies and investors during the tender relating to the PPP for the DBFM of 63 road maintenance centres throughout France.
- **Notre Dame des Landes Airport, Nantes, France (2009-2010):** advising the lenders of a bidder for the new Nantes airport concession project.

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*Magazine des Affaires (May 2010):* PPP Infrastructure Finance (France): 1st in the category by number of issues and by deal size for 2010

*Magazine des Affaires (May 2010):* Concessions Infrastructure Finance (France): 1st in the category by number of issues for 2010 and 2nd in the category by deal size for 2010

*Trophées du Droit et de la Finance 2010:* Gold Trophies, Asset and Project Financing, PPP

*Magazine des Affaires 2007:* Public-Private Partnership Award

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- **Ecotax (heavy goods vehicle tax), France (2010):** advising the lenders of a bidding consortium for the Ecotax PPP.
- **High-speed Rail Line Bretagne - Pays de la Loire, France (2009-2010):** advising a consortium during the bidding process of the DBFM for the new *Bretagne - Pays de la Loire* high-speed rail line (Rennes - Le Mans).
- **Paris IV and VII Universities, France (2009):** advising the *Direction des Fonds d'Epargne* (saving funds directorate) of the *Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations* (French government financial entity) on the financing of DBFM projects for new university buildings.
- **New Headquarters of the Gendarmerie Nationale, France (2008-2009):** advising Eiffage and the lenders for the financing of the new headquarters of the *Gendarmerie Nationale* under a DBFM scheme.
- **Lille Stadium, France (2008-ongoing):** advising the winning consortium (Eiffage Group) on the contractual and financial closing for the PPP transaction involving the design build, operation and maintenance of the *Grand Stade de Lille*. Advising the project company Elisa during construction.
- **Le Mans Stadium, France (2008):** advising Calyon (Lender) on the contractual and financial closing of the concession won by Vinci for the design, build, operation and maintenance of a new stadium.
- **Intermunicipal Hospital Centre of Annemasse-Bonneville, France (2008):** advising the arrangers in connection with the financing of the BDFM of a new hospital in Annemasse-Bonneville.
- **Mulhouse Tramway, France (2007-2010):** advising a bidding consortium on the preparation of its bid for a 35-year tramway PPP project in Mulhouse.
- **Prado Sud Tunnel, Marseilles, France (2007-2008):** advising the winning consortium (Eiffage & Vinci) for the construction of the Prado Sud Tunnel in Marseille under a concession contract.
- **Expansion of the Hospital of Rennes, France (2007):** advising the arrangers selected by Eiffage in connection with the project for the expansion of the Rennes hospital through the specific French hospital PPP scheme.
- **A88 Motorway, France (2006-ongoing):** advising Alicorne, the winning consortium of the A88 motorway concession project in Normandy, for the tender and closing as well as during the construction period.
- **Leslys Tramway, France (2006-2010):** advising RhônExpress, the winning consortium of a 30-year tramway concession for a high-speed tramway link between Lyon Part Dieu train station and Lyon Saint-Exupéry international airport.
- **Centre Hospitalier du Sud Francilien Hospital, France (2006):** advising the MLAs for the DBFM of a new 1,050-bed hospital won by the Eiffage Group.
- **Rouen Municipal Lighting and Traffic Control, France (2006):** advising a bidder on the preparation of its bid for a 20-year PPP project for the financing, renewal, operation and maintenance of the public lighting system and for the construction and maintenance of a municipal traffic control centre.
- **Prison PPPs, France (2005-2008):** advising a bidding consortium for the construction and operation of prisons through a PSP scheme.