

BANKING & FINANCE

With some 170 dedicated lawyers, Gide's Banking and Finance group is one of the largest and most highly regarded specialist teams amongst the major international law firms, offering French, English, New York and U.S. banking and finance law capability as well as local law expertise throughout its worldwide network.

Our lawyers have extensive experience in bank lending, capital markets and structured finance covering all types of tangible and intangible assets as well as real estate. They have well-known expertise in securitisation, bond issues and the issuance of equity securities, in both domestic and international markets, and deal with the legal aspects of over-the-counter derivative products as well as derivative products offered on regulated exchanges. We also specialise in arranging and documenting structured products on all types of underlyings (fixed income, equity, commodities, credit, weather, etc.).

Gide is regularly consulted by banks and other financial institutions concerning the regulatory aspects of their activities and has also developed an extensive experience in litigation and disciplinary proceedings in this field. Our lawyers advise and represent many financial industry associations in various jurisdictions, and have also been involved in the drafting of legislation in many countries.

Main areas of expertise

- **Bank Lending**

- Acquisition Finance
- Corporate Debt Rescheduling
- Leveraged Finance
- Real Estate Financing
- Secured Lending
- Syndicated Loans
- Trade and Commodity Finance
- Treasury Products

- **International Capital Markets**

- Debt Issuances
- Medium Term Notes
- Sovereign Issuances
- High Yield
- Liability Management
- Equity and Equity Linked Issuances
- Privatisation
- IPOs
- Repos and Securities Lending
- Warrants
- Commercial Paper

- **Securitisation and Asset-Backed Financings**

- CMBS and RMBS
- Conduits
- Covered Bonds
- Future Flow
- Public Receivables
- Trade Receivables
- Whole Business

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- **Financial Institutions and Services**
 - Asset Management
 - Banking and Securities Regulations
 - Anti-Money Laundering Regulations
 - Corporate Transactions
 - Financial Litigation
 - Internet Banking and Finance
- **Structured Finance**
 - Derivatives
 - Islamic Finance
 - Repackaging
 - Structured Bonds
 - Tax-driven Finance
- **Project Finance**
 - Concession Contracts
 - Construction, Supply and Operation
 - Financing, Sponsor Support and Security
 - Infrastructure

The Banking & Finance practice group works closely with the other practice groups of the firm.

Clientele

The transactions handled by the firm originate from and involve leading international and domestic banking and corporate clients:

- Major international investment and commercial banks from Europe, the US and Asia,
- International Financial Institutions and Export Credit Agencies,
- Major domestic and international corporations in Europe, North America and Asia and international joint ventures involving such corporations, and
- Governments, territories and municipalities.

« Gide Loyrette Nouel ranks among the market-leading firms for securitisation and covered bond work, and is regularly instructed to advise clients in the context of innovative transactions. »

« Gide Loyrette Nouel is 'one of the few French firms able to compete with the Anglo-Saxon firms', for issuer and underwriter representations alike. The practice has 'deep knowledge of French law' and is also able to provide US law advice including with regard to private placements and US IPOs. »

Legal 500 EMEA 2016

« The 'very reliable' practice at Gide Loyrette Nouel has 'great expertise and is very good at managing tricky situations' The 'business-oriented' team has a comprehensive range of expertise, including complementary regulatory, capital markets and litigation experience. The practice advises leading banks and corporations on the largest corporate and leveraged financing deals. [...] The real estate finance practice is also top notch. »

Legal 500 EMEA 2016

« The banking and finance practice at Gide is one of the finest in France, and had a very busy period over the last 12 months. [...] In capital markets the team is particularly strong in the areas of structured finance and securitisation, and debt. »

IFLR1000 2017

« A standout team for domestic French deals in the capital markets arena. Particularly well known for Euro PPs, EMTN programmes and mainstream, investment grade bond issuances. »

Chambers Europe 2016

« A driving force in the French market with flourishing ECM, DCM and structured finance practices. Oversees a variety of equity and equity-linked transactions, block trades, MTN programmes and debt restructurings as well as hybrid and structured transactions. »

Chambers Europe 2015