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# BCLP STRENGTHENS ITS CORPORATE OFFERING WITH PARTNER HIRE IN PARIS

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Leading international law firm BCLP announces today that George Rigo has joined the firm as a partner in the Paris office, with a particular focus on mid-to-large cap M&A. His arrival bolsters the firm's corporate, finance and transactions group both in France and globally.

George has extensive experience advising on M&A and joint venture transations, including industrial groups and strategic players across the building, energy, TMT, agrifood, automotive and services sectors. He also brings particular experience within the energy and renewable energy sector and has worked alongside major market players advising on key projects in France, notably on the financing and acquisition of wind and solar projects. Some of his clients include Safran, Soprema, Thales, Saur Group, Cisco and Vivendi.

Qualified in both Paris and New York, George will work closely with BCLP lawyers across the firm's global footprint on cross-border transactions, where the firm is seeing more client demand. Prior to joining BCLP, George was a partner in the Paris office of international law firm Orrick.

**George Rigo, BCLP Partner,** said, "I'm delighted to be joining BCLP and the Paris team with whom we hope to develop close ties in the future. The quality of the corporate department, reputation of the real estate team and the global renewable energy practice are outstanding assets when it comes to taking on market-leading projects and building my practice."

**Jean-Patrice Labautière, Partner and Leader of Corporate Transactions in Paris**, said, "George's addition strengthens the capabilities of our Paris office as a platform for complex, cross-border transactions. His experience and sectoral expertise, particularly in renewable energies, will enable us to create strong synergies with all the teams in the office for large-scale projects."

Carol Osborne, Partner and Global Department Leader for Corporate and Finance Transactions, said, "We welcome George to the firm. His arrival will be an excellent addition to the corporate and finance transactions team and confirms our commitment to growing in France and Europe and meet increasing client demand for cross-border transactions work."

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