

Awards

BCLP WINS CONSTRUCTION TEAM OF THE YEAR AT THE 2026 MIDDLE EAST LEGAL AWARDS

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BCLP has been awarded Construction Team of the Year at the 2026 Middle East Legal Awards for its work advising Skyports Infrastructure on the launch of a world-first commercial air taxi service in Dubai.

Dubai aspires to be the first city in the world to offer commercial air taxi services. The Dubai RTA entered into agreements with eVTOL aircraft maker Joby and vertiport developer, Skyports Infrastructure, for the operation of the service.

BCLP supported Skyports in the construction, real estate and development of a network of Vertiports around Dubai and in its negotiations with the RTA and Joby. This recognition reflects the firm's experience and breadth of expertise in real estate, construction and corporate matters across the UAE.

The team that worked on this deal comprises:

- **Philip Hecht**, Partner and Practice Group Leader - Real Estate Middle East (Abu Dhabi)
- **Oliver Hallsworth**, Counsel and Head of Corporate Transactions - Middle East (Abu Dhabi)
- **Nagwa Abuzeid**, Senior Associate, Construction (Abu Dhabi)
- **Hannah Gohar**, Senior Associate, Real Estate (Dubai)
- **Flora Haidar**, Senior Associate, Corporate Transactions and Real Estate (Dubai)
- **Zofia Bernard**, Associate, Real Estate (Dubai)
- **Zeinab Shakir**, Senior Paralegal, Corporate Transactions (Dubai)

Most recently, BCLP advised Skyports in relation to a significant agreement with the Ras al Khaimah Transport Authority (RAKTA) for the development of a network of Vertiports.

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Meet the team



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