

Asset Finance

Structuring and documenting asset finance transactions can be complex, involving a number of jurisdictions, often with competing legal and tax systems.

Our industry-focused team cuts through the complexity, working from our offices across Europe, the United States, the Middle East, and Asia to deliver commercial solutions wherever your business takes you.

We represent operators, lessors, lessees, banks, funds, manufacturers, export credit agencies, and governments on complex, multiparty transactions across a full range of asset sectors including aviation, rail, shipping, and plant and equipment.

We develop innovative solutions for clients and handle business critical "firsts," both for clients and within the industry, reflecting deep sector understanding and reputation as a strong commercially driven practice and trusted advisor.

Representative experience

Advised Norwegian Air Shuttle ASA on the establishment of a joint venture with CCB Leasing (International) Corporation DAC to finance, own, and lease aircraft that Norwegian has on order.

Key contacts

Robert Fugard,
London

Alexander Premont,
Paris

Dr. Christian Herweg, LL.M.
(Cambridge),
Munich

Mehtap Cevher Conti,
New York

Alexander Gasparyan,
Moscow

Areas of focus

Direct Lending

Aviation Finance

Corporate Aircraft and Superyacht Finance

Cross-border Restructuring and Insolvency

FinTech

Helicopter Financing

Hogan Lovells Taiwan Desk

Islamic Finance

Loan Portfolio and Distressed Debt Transactions

Advised Deutsche Bank on the financing of three low-carbon emission ATR 72 600 aircraft, built by aircraft manufacturer ATR. This is the first green financing of a commercial aircraft.

Advised Pembroke Capital on the purchase and leaseback of six Airbus A321-200 aircraft to Delta Air Lines and 10 Boeing 737-800 aircraft to Southwest Airlines.

Representing Babcock Mission Critical Services Group, one of the world's largest helicopter operators, on a wide range of helicopter operating lease and financing transactions across Europe and Australia.

Advised UBS Corporate Aircraft Finance on the finance lease or secured loan financing of more than 50 corporate aircraft since 2012.

Advised BNP Paribas on enforcement issues and the realization of security interests, including over an 80-meter superyacht, following a payment default of the borrower.

Advised Société Générale on the financing of eight vessels for a joint venture vehicle between the marine transport and services group Louis Dreyfus Armateurs SAS and Abu Dhabi Ports Company PJSC.

Advised Société Générale on French and English law aspects of the lease financing of MOL Motivator, registered in Marshall Islands and chartered with a Panamanian subsidiary of Mitsui O.S.K. Lines.

Advised Akiem Group, European leader in locomotive leasing, on the whole-business acquisition of Macquarie Europe Rail's rolling stock leasing business including 137 locomotives, 110 carriages, and 46 trains.

Advised on the EUR multibillion high-speed Rail Baltica project - the largest Baltic-region infrastructure project in the last 100 years.

Awards and rankings

- Recognized for Asset Finance, *Chambers UK*, 2018

Plant and Equipment Financing

Rail Finance

Shipping Finance

Sustainable Finance & Investment

Related practices

Aviation Law

Banking and Loan Finance

Business Restructuring and Insolvency

Capital Markets

Infrastructure, Energy, Resources, and Projects

Private Equity

Transportation

Related industries

Financial Institutions

- Recognized for Aviation in France, *Chambers Europe*, 2018
- Recognized in France for Aviation, Aviation Finance, and Shipping Finance, *The Legal 500*, 2018
- Recognized for Aviation Finance and Rail Finance, *Chambers Global*, 2018
- Recognized for Asset Finance, *The Legal 500 UK*, 2018
- Best cross-border airline or lessor financing by a Chinese financier, *Airfinance Journal China Awards*, 2017

Latest thinking and events

Press Releases

Hogan Lovells advises Grover on a second asset-backed financing of up to USD 1 billion

Press Releases

Hogan Lovells advises on two award winning aviation finance deals

Press Releases

Hogan Lovells and WFW advise on two green financings for Hapag-Lloyd with a total finance volume of US\$1bn+

Awards and Rankings

Two Hogan Lovells transactions win AFJ 2020 Deal of the Year Awards

Press Releases

Hogan Lovells welcomes the New Year and 25 new partner and 60 new counsel promotions

Hogan Lovells Podcasts

The A Perspective Podcast: Andrew Skipper talks to Samaila Zubairu

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