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Gibson Dunn Adds a Private Equity M&A Team in London

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Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP is pleased to announce that a private equity team of three partners will join the London office. The team, all formerly with Vinson & Elkins LLP in London, will continue to focus on cross-border M&A, particularly infrastructure, ESG and real assets transactions for both private equity and corporate clients. The team is active in various sectors, including energy transition, transportation, telecoms, shipping, water and wastewater, EfW and building materials. The team is also very active on advising on global impact and climate change related investments.

Partner Federico (Fede) Fruhbeck, who will serve as Gibson Dunn's Head of Private Equity in Europe and Co-Chair of the Projects and Infrastructure Practice Group, will join alongside partners Robert Dixon and Alice Brogi.

"We are delighted to welcome Fede, Rob and Alice to the firm," said Barbara L. Becker, Chair and Managing Partner of Gibson Dunn. "Growing the transactional practice in London and beyond is a strategic focus for us. The addition of these seasoned deal lawyers expands our ability to further develop the private equity infrastructure work we are handling in London, New York and Asia, as well as deepens our broader private equity M&A practice globally."

"Fede, Rob, and Alice each have extremely impressive deal sheets and strong top-tier client relationships that complement and closely align with our existing platform, including our thriving private equity real estate practice in London," said London corporate transactional partner Jeremy Kenley. "Their arrival will further enhance our private equity practice for us in London and add to the continued expansion of our London corporate team."

"We are very excited to welcome Fede, Rob, and Alice on board," said Ali Nikpay, Co-Partner-In-Charge of the London office. "With their exemplary track record and standing in the market, they are a fabulous addition to the London office."

"I'm thrilled to join Gibson Dunn with my fantastic colleagues," said Fruhbeck. "Gibson Dunn is a great firm with a strong collegial culture, and I look forward to collaborating with teams globally to expand and further strengthen the firm's premier offering."

About Federico Fruhbeck

Fruhbeck's practice focuses on cross-border M&A transactions across Europe for private equity clients and large family-owned conglomerates. He has extensive experience in the infrastructure and real assets industries and regularly leads transactions across Europe, including in Spain, Italy, Germany, France and the Nordic region, as well as Latin America. Fruhbeck also advises both issuers and underwriters on capital markets transactions, particularly in high-yield issuances (particularly green bond offerings) and initial public offerings.

Before joining Gibson Dunn, Fruhbeck was a partner at Vinson & Elkins LLP in London, where he practiced since 2017. Prior to that, he practiced with Simpson Thacher & Bartlett

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Federico Fruhbeck Jr.
Robert S. Dixon
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LLP in New York and London. A native Spanish speaker, he is also fluent in English, German, and French. He received his licentiate degree (J.D. equivalent), *summa cum laude*, from the Universidad Pontificia Comillas in 2007 and an LL.M. with honors in 2010 from Columbia Law School, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. He is admitted to practice in New York and Spain, and is a registered foreign lawyer with the Solicitors Regulation Authority in England and Wales.

About Robert Dixon

Dixon advises private equity and corporate clients on M&A and equity investments, with a focus on cross-border M&A infrastructure transactions. His practice has a particular emphasis on digital infrastructure transactions, including the associated long term commercial contracts.

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Dixon was a partner at Vinson & Elkins LLP in London, where he practiced since 2009. He also previously practiced with Slaughter and May and Addleshaw Goddard LLP.

Dixon earned his DLP in 1999 and his Bachelor of Laws with honors in 1998 from the University of Edinburgh. He is a solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales and a solicitor of the Law Society of Scotland.

About Alice Brogi

Brogi practices private equity M&A, representing sponsors in cross-border transactions across a number of sectors with a focus on infrastructure and hard assets. She has advised clients on domestic and cross-border acquisitions, disposals, preferred equity and debt investments, joint ventures, loan-to-own restructurings, and portfolio acquisitions in the United Kingdom, France, Germany, Austria and the Nordics.

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Brogi was counsel at Vinson & Elkins LLP in London, where she practiced since 2016. She previously practiced with the London offices of Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP and Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP. She completed two secondments to Hudson Advisors UK Limited and previously spent seven months seconded to the merchant banking division of Goldman Sachs in 2014.

In 2007, she received a master's degree in French and German corporate law, *magna cum laude*, from the Universite Paris Nanterre and an LL.M. in corporate law from the London School of Economics. A native French speaker, Brogi is also fluent in English and German. She is admitted to practice in England and Wales and France.

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