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Corporate

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Our international network allows us to swiftly assemble an expert, cohesive team to provide you with practical answers to the most challenging corporate issues you face in today's global marketplace. With a global practice advising on the laws of the [British Virgin Islands](#), the [Cayman Islands](#), [Ireland](#), [Jersey](#) and [Luxembourg](#), the Maples Group can provide effective, cross-jurisdictional legal solutions to all the challenges you may face.

Clients rely on the Maples Group for our responsiveness, knowledge of their business issues and proven ability to deliver results.

Our technical ability and wealth of experience has given us a finely tuned appreciation of the challenges that arise from a client's business dealings, ranging from corporate governance, regulatory compliance, human resources, immigration, investor relations and intellectual property to day-to-day commercial arrangements.

### Corporate Advisory

We advise a broad range of clients from multinational companies to private equity and venture funds, family offices and private companies on a variety of corporate issues, including:

- company formations
- general company administration and shareholder meetings
- corporate reorganisations
- joint venture set up
- regulatory compliance, including the adoption of best corporate governance practices
- share capital, including share rights; conversion rights; declarations of dividends; redemption, buyback and transfer of shares or other securities; and maintenance of share capital
- directors' duties, conflicts of interest and transactions and arrangements with directors, including directors indemnification
- shareholder rights, including unfair prejudice, derivative actions and class right

### Energy & Natural Resources

The Maples Group has substantial experience in the energy sphere, advising some of the best known publicly traded companies in the industry for many years. We routinely work on the largest and most complex transactions involving energy companies, utilising our technical strength and depth of experience to provide the highest quality advice. Our clients include international and private oil companies, lenders, bond arrangers, project sponsors and investors.

Through some of our offices worldwide, we advise in all sectors of the energy industry including:

- a wide variety of debt, equity and other financings
- listing of [British Virgin Islands](#), [Cayman Islands](#), [Irish](#), [Jersey](#) and [Luxembourg](#) companies on all major international stock exchanges
- mergers, acquisitions and restructurings
- joint venture set up
- project acquisitions and asset disposals
- public company meeting support and corporate governance advice
- dispute resolution
- general corporate and regulatory support to large multinationals

### Equity Capital Markets

Our equity capital markets work covers [listing services](#) and IPOs of [British Virgin Islands](#), [Cayman Islands](#), [Irish](#), [Jersey](#) and [Luxembourg](#) companies on NASDAQ, NYSE, LSE, ISE, HKSE, CSX, TWSE, TISE, TSX, TSXV AIM and IEX, as well as secondary issues (including rights issues, open offers and placings), depository issues and ongoing advice to issuers (including in the event of substantial acquisitions or takeovers).

Working, where relevant, alongside international counsel, we advise issuers, underwriters, sponsors, lead managers and selling and acquiring shareholders.

### Foreign Direct Investment

The Maples Group provides a broad range of services to international businesses establishing or carrying on business in or through the jurisdictions in which we practice law.

When required, we provide a full range of local [corporate, tax](#), employment, immigration, [intellectual property](#), technology & telecoms, real estate and other legal advisory services specifically tailored to international businesses.

Our local teams work extensively with global clients and regularly advise, in conjunction with international law firms, on a variety of local legal requirements.

### Mergers & Acquisitions

We routinely work on the largest and most complex public and private mergers and acquisitions transactions involving companies domiciled in the [British Virgin Islands](#), [Cayman Islands](#), [Ireland](#), [Jersey](#) and [Luxembourg](#), both domestically and cross-border.

Utilising the technical strength and depth of experience of our lawyers across our [global offices](#), our Mergers & Acquisition team draws, where necessary, upon the expertise of our specialist commercial lawyers including [finance](#), anti-trust, employment, financial services, [intellectual property](#), [real estate](#), technology & telecoms, [trusts](#) and [tax](#).

## Private Equity Transactions

We have been a leading adviser to the private equity industry for many years and our Private Equity teams advising on [British Virgin Islands](#), [Cayman Islands](#), [Irish](#), [Jersey](#) and [Luxembourg](#) law work alongside international counsel on the formation, structuring and financing of private equity funds. In addition, we advise on all types of private equity transactions from growth and venture investing, management and leveraged buyouts, take privates, secondary buyouts and exits by way of trade sale or IPO.

## Restructuring

Our focus is to find solutions to the issues that clients face in situations of financial difficulty. We achieve this with a multi-disciplinary approach, with our [finance](#) and [insolvency](#) lawyers working alongside our corporate lawyers to advise on the most complex corporate restructurings and insolvencies involving [British Virgin Islands](#), [Cayman Islands](#), [Irish](#), [Jersey](#) and [Luxembourg](#) companies.

Our Restructuring team is uniquely placed to work directly with international counsel and leading insolvency advisers, providing expert legal advice to both debtors and creditors on company restructurings.

## Technology & Telecoms

### Technology

The Maples Group has developed particular expertise with depth of technical knowledge and experience to help guide you through the issues that you are likely to encounter in a world of fast-paced and rapidly changing technology.

Through some of our [offices](#) worldwide, our teams advise suppliers and users, including ISPs, retailers, media companies and website and application developers on a variety of services in relation to:

- Cloud Computing
- Data Protection and Privacy
- E-commerce and the Internet
- Outsourcing and Managed Services
- Procurement and Sale of Systems and Services

### Telecommunications

The telecoms industry is an evolving market, with a variety of operators across a full spectrum of technologies. With an established client base that includes mobile and broadband service providers and broadcasters, we have significant experience with:

- Consumer Issues
- Network Build and Roll Out
- Outsourcing of Telecoms Services
- Regulation and Licensing
- Terms and Conditions of Supply

## **General Contracts**

Within our Technology & Telecoms group, we also have extensive experience in the preparation, review, negotiation and enforcement of a number of commercial contracts, including:

- Advertising, Branding and Sponsorship
- Agency and Distribution
- Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Franchising
- Logistics
- Outsourcing and Facilities Agreements
- Procurement and Sales
- Standard Terms and Conditions of Sale
- Service Legal Agreements