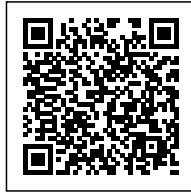


ANDERSEN IN SPAIN INTEGRATES DA LAWYERS

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Andersen has reached an integration agreement with law firm DA Lawyers by which this law firm joins the international firm's project to boost its Madrid office



With this move, Andersen reinforces all areas of specialisation, with a major impact on M&A, Litigation, Labour, Real Estate, Insolvency, Tax, Audiovisual, Intellectual Property and Sports Law departments.

The new team, made up of more than 75 professionals and led by 16 partners, joins the Madrid office and brings the firm's staff to more than 320 people in Spain, providing services in all areas of Law and increasing synergies with the rest of the firm's offices.

This operation represents a further step in the expansion process set out in the firm's strategic plan, which envisages significant growth over the next three years.

This was explained by José Vicente Morote and Íñigo Rodríguez-Sastre, co-managing partners of Andersen in Spain, who stressed that "one of the pillars of the strategy is to strengthen the Madrid office to continue to be the flagship of the firm and allow the firm to position itself among the leaders in the legal market in Spain. This growth will be in line with the rest of the offices, where it is also planned to strengthen capacities, developing practices at the highest level in all of them."

On this point, they stressed that the firm's growth objective in Spain is in line with the pace of expansion of the firm internationally, which in 2021 has added capabilities in 29 new countries to have a presence in 149 markets at present.

For his part, Ivo Portabales, until now managing partner of DA Lawyers, who joins Andersen's M&A department as a partner, stressed that the merger allows the team to offer its clients "a comprehensive and specialised service from all areas, with greater territorial coverage in Spain and with an international dimension from the perspective of a single firm."

"The integration is based on shared values: excellence in work, commitment to clients and the team, international vocation, commitment to innovation, added value and, above all, a clear commitment to continue growing, which allows us to add a team to the project with the same vision of the business and the future," said Morote and Rodríguez-Sastre.

In the picture, from left to right: Íñigo Rodríguez-Sastre, Victoria Caldevilla (head of DA Lawyers Labour area), José Vicente Morote and Ivo Portabales.