## **ASHURST PROMOTES NEW PARTNER IN MADRID**

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International law firm Ashurst has appointed Irian Martinez as a partner in the Banking & Finance practice in Spain, among 14 promotions worldwide



International law firm Ashurst today announced the appointment of 14 new partners, including Irian Martinez in its Madrid office, effective May 1. This year, more than three quarters (78%) of the new partners are women. The new partners come from six different offices: five in London, three in Sydney, one in Melbourne, two in Hong Kong and Singapore and one in Spain.

Irian Martinez (pictured), joined Ashurst as a trainee and was until now counsel and head of Global Markets in Ashurst Spain's Banking and Finance Law department. Her clients include international investment banks, investment funds and national banks. She specialises in Banking & Finance transactions, with particular expertise in Real Estate Finance, Syndicated Loans and derivatives and Capital Markets transactions, including Regulatory advice regarding the latter. She holds a degree in Law and Business Administration from Universidad Carlos III de Madrid.

With this new appointment, the Ashurst Madrid office, which currently has more than 70 lawyers, will now have 16 partners.

For Jorge Vázquez, managing partner of Ashurst in Spain, stated: "Irian's appointment as a partner is a well-deserved recognition of her excellent track record and her outstanding contribution to our banking and finance practice, where she stands out for her extensive experience advising on complex matters, and for her hard work, dedication and professional commitment to our clients and to the firm. Her promotion is also a reflection of our commitment to retaining and developing the talent of our teams and demonstrates the strength of a fundamental practice for the firm, in Spain and internationally."

The new partner Irian Martínez highlighted: "I am very grateful to all my colleagues and clients for their support, and I am especially excited to have become a partner of the firm where I started my professional career and where I have developed my entire career as a lawyer. I start this new stage with a lot of energy and enthusiasm to continue promoting the banking and financial law department at Ashurst and accompanying our clients in the new challenges that the market is sure to present."