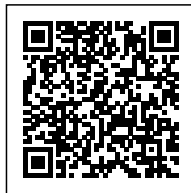


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CMS Albiñana & Suárez de Lezo has reinforced its Financial Markets and Services department with the incorporation of Ricardo Plasencia, who joins from DLA Piper, as a partner to lead the Financial Regulation area



Ricardo Plasencia (pictured) is a specialist in Banking, Financial Markets and securities regulation, advising all types of national and international financial institutions, including institutional and Commercial Banking, Private Banking, as well as investment funds and FinTech companies. Ricardo advises on all types of issues related to Banking Regulation, resolution, investment services and investment firms, collective and alternative investment, payment services, derivatives, central securities depositories and central counterparties. His Securities Markets expertise covers issues related to transparency, market abuse, short selling,

registration, clearing and settlement of securities, as well as Corporate Governance.

Ricardo also specialises in Mortgage Credit and Consumer Credit Regulation, as well as issues related to Anti-Money Laundering Regulations. Ricardo joins the firm from DLA Piper in Madrid, where he has been partner in charge of Financial Services Regulation and has been working since 2015. Previously, he worked at Linklaters, Ashurst, CNMV and PwC.

He holds a degree in Law and Business Administration and Management from ICADE, and a degree in Political Science and Sociology from UNED, and teaches on the Master's degree in Regulated Sectors at the Universidad Carlos III de Madrid.

César Albiñana, managing partner of CMS Albiñana & Suárez de Lezo commented: "We continue on the growth path set for 2021. At a time when the financial sector is undergoing major Regulatory changes and facing major challenges such as Brexit and digitalisation, we consider it essential to strengthen our team to advise our clients on Regulatory and Financial matters. Ricardo's professional background, which combines experience in a Regulatory body and top-tier law firms, will complement the advice provided by other departments of the firm and will undoubtedly add value to our clients in Spain, as well as to other specialists in the CMS network."