

# CMS SPAIN STRENGTHENS RE PRACTICE WITH JAVIER COLINO AS PARTNER

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**CMS Albiñana & Suárez de Lezo has hired Javier Colino Sánchez-Ventura as a partner in its Real**

## Estate practice, joining from Latham & Watkins



Javier Colino (pictured) joins the department led by Álvaro Otero and which is made up of eight lawyers, with the aim of continuing with the growth strategy of this practice area and its visibility in the market. His incorporation will be effective in June. He joins from Latham & Watkins, where he was a senior associate.

Javier has participated in pioneering transactions in the Spanish Real Estate sector, focusing his practice on Mergers and Acquisitions of Real Estate companies, Real Estate Financings, the acquisition of singular assets, Joint-Ventures for investment in tertiary projects, purchases of NPLs and REOs portfolios, Financial Restructuring and Insolvency processes, the incorporation of SOCIMIs and the promotion of Real Estate projects. His main clients are private equity firms, SOCIMIs, pension funds and other institutional investors.

Before joining the firm, he developed his professional career as an associate at Uría Menéndez for eight years, where he spent time in their London office and, subsequently, at Latham & Watkins, from 2018 until now.

Javier holds a degree in Law and International Law, with a Law degree from the Universidad San Pablo CEU and regularly collaborates with the Instituto de Empresa and the Business School of the Universidad San Pablo CEU. He is, as well as, actively participating in other organisations and activities in his sector.

César Albiñana, managing partner of CMS Spain, commented: "Our Real Estate department has experienced exponential growth in recent years, becoming a key area of the firm. With the incorporation of Javier and his impeccable track record with a strong international profile, we are expanding our transactional offering in this sector. Our warmest welcome to the firm."