## **CUATRECASAS HIRES JUDIT GENÉ AND SERGIO AGÜERA**

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Time for new entries in Cuatrecasas, after the hiring of **Ruth Duque** (<u>here the news</u>), the law firm announced the hirings of **Judit Gené** and **Sergio Agüera** as partners in respectively white collar crime and real estate and town planning in the Barcelona offices.

Judit Gené advises national and international clients on corporate offenses and offenses involving property, money laundering, tax offenses, urban planning offenses and environmental offenses, offenses against public authorities and offenses against workers' rights. She has worked at leading law firms in Spain specializing in criminal law. She is a member of the Barcelona Bar Association. She lectures in the Master in Legal Practice at *Universitat Pompeu Fabra* (UPF-IDEC-ICAB), Barcelona. "I am excited to join a law firm that stands out for its legal quality and commitment to its clients", says Judit Gené "I come with the challenge of strengthening the area of criminal law, a speciality in which I have developed my entire professional career". Following the incorporation of Josep Riba, Cuatrecasas continues to strengthen its Criminal Law team with the arrival of Judit Gené.

Sergio Agüera advises on transactions, particularly on M&A, project development and implementation, joint ventures and real estate law. He also has advised on corporate restructurings, insolvency law, and general corporate and commercial matters. The main sectors of activity where he has focused his practice are real estate, industry, family business and distribution. He advises national and international clients such as investment funds, financial institutions, developers and construction companies, operators, family offices, distributors of consumer goods and hydrocarbons, and service providers. Before joining Cuatrecasas, he worked at law firms in Spain and New York. He is a member of the Barcelona Bar Association (2008). Agüera says of his arrival: "Joining the Real Estate practice at Cuatrecasas, one of the largest law firms in Spain and Europe, is an honour and an enormous challenge for me. I want to help strengthen access to institutional and

international clients, as well as to strengthen the leadership of the firm's Real Estate practice in the Spanish market.