

DLA PIPER PROMOTES TWO NEW PARTNERS IN PORTUGAL

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DLA Piper has announced that 74 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. Promotions have been made across all of the firm's practice areas, spanning 38 offices in 21 countries. Among the new partners are two Portuguese: **Inês Teixeira** and **Nuno Castelo Branco**.

Inês Teixeira is a member of the Lit & Reg Practice Area (regulatory) and has been with DLA Piper ABBC since 2007. She focuses more on regulatory, and ops matters and is responsible for day-to-day assistance to clients in a variety of sectors, including transport, online gambling and energy. For **Inês Teixeira** "more than an institutional promotion, this stage materializes the vote of confidence in my work that I have felt since I joined the law firm as an intern, and although it represents an added responsibility, I face it with determination, pride, ambition and loyalty. Aware of the challenges that are currently posed in the areas of Regulation and Tax Law, I will actively seek to contribute to the trajectory of consolidation and strengthening of DLA Piper's position in these areas, and in the world of Law in general, always with the enthusiasm, values and spirit of the team that characterize the People that make up DLA Piper and distinguish it from all other companies in our market."

Nuno Castelo Branco is part of the Corporate/M&A Department, having been at DLA Piper ABBC since 2015. The lawyer has extensive experience in acquisition, restructuring, financing, and project operations in various sectors of activity, such as the financial sector and energy. He also has experience in advising management companies, investment funds and investors about investment and divestment operations in venture capital. For **Nuno Castelo Branco**, "this new stage reflects the recognition of the work and success of the entire extraordinary team at DLA Piper, both nationally and internationally, but also the success of our clients and their confidence in the work we develop. I

face the future with increased responsibility and determination, but also with enormous optimism, confident that the values shared by the entire team at DLA Piper are reflects a future that we will all be proud of."

For **Nuno Azevedo Neves**, Country Managing Partner of DLA Piper ABBC, "these promotions give us enormous pride and represent the recognition of the enormous merit, competence, professionalism, dedication, and personal qualities of Inês and Nuno, who share and live our values, vision, purpose and strategy. This is a clear commitment not only to organic growth in Portugal, but above all a strengthening in core areas and sectors such as Tax, Corporate/M&A, Regulatory and Energy, which have grown in a very material and sustained way in recent years. years old."

Globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 20 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 19 promotions and ten in Finance, Projects and Restructuring. Other practice groups included Employment, both with eight promotions, Intellectual Property and Technology with seven, six in Real Estate and four in Tax.

Regionally the United States made the most promotions with 23 new partners, followed by the United Kingdom with 15, 13 across Continental Europe, eight in Latin America, five in Asia and Canada, three in Australia and one each in the Middle East and South Africa.

Of the 74 promotions, 36 were women (49%) clearly demonstrating firm's commitment to increasing representation across the partnership.

Simon Levine, Global Co-CEO, commented: "I am thrilled to congratulate our 74 new partners on their promotions. They have shown exceptional talent and have all made notable contributions to the firm's worldwide growth while actively promoting our values and building our reputation for excellence. I am confident they will continue to accomplish great things and continue to deliver the outstanding levels of dedication and service that our clients are used to. I look forward to supporting and working alongside them on this next chapter of their careers." **Frank Ryan**, Global Co-CEO and Global Co-Chair of the Americas, added: "I welcome each of these passionate, invested and dynamic lawyers to the partnership. They all have embraced our values of being exceptional, collaborative, bold and supportive, and we look forward to their ongoing contributions to our clients, communities and firm."