

# ECIJA CONFIRMS A STRATEGIC ALIANCE WITH TAYLOR WESSING

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ECIJA has confirmed a strategic alliance with the anglo-german firm Taylor Wessing as part of its international growth strategy. With the aim of consolidating its position as a leading international TMT giant, and although this is a non-exclusive agreement, both firms will support their clients through a combined network of more than 3,000 professionals and 500 partners in 62 offices in 53 jurisdictions worldwide.

Taylor Wessing is a leading international firm recognized for its expertise in areas such as TMT, intellectual property, energy, pharma and healthcare, among others.

This collaboration agreement responds to the exponential growth of some of the strategic sectors for both firms, which aspire to consolidate themselves as a worldwide reference in an increasingly competitive, global and specialized market. Thus, they have one of the most powerful multidisciplinary teams with presence in the five main jurisdictions in Europe: Spain, Portugal, United Kingdom, France and Germany.

According to **Hugo Écija**, president of ECIJA, "this alliance confirms our commitment to consolidate our position as an international firm and as a reference in the Digital Economy".

**Alejandro Touriño**, managing partner of the firm says "we identified a huge opportunity in a joint approach to the market, creating a leading global key player in TMT. In Taylor Wessing we have

found a perfect ally with whom we share strategy, values and corporate culture".

**Shane Gleghorn**, managing partner of Taylor Wessing in the UK and co-Chairman of the Global Council, said: "The Iberian Peninsula is an attractive and increasingly important region for business growth. The expansion of our European offering into the Euro 5 zone supports our current strategy, while investor interest and opportunities in technology, life sciences and real estate remain high at the current juncture. This alliance substantially enhances the collective offering of both firms in Europe and around the world. Our clients can continue to expect the excellence and innovation for which both firms are known, with more competitive connections and a deep understanding of their markets."

According to **Olaf Kranz**, managing partner of Taylor Wessing in Germany and co-chair of the Global Council, "Like ours, ECIJA's strategy is focused on advising our clients and developing new opportunities in strategic sectors for both firms. ECIJA's success and track record are impressive and there has always been a clear alignment with our values and symmetry between our strategies and core focus areas."