

# ECIJA STRENGTHENS CORPORATE AND CAPITAL MARKETS AREAS

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**ECIJA has strengthened its Corporate and Capital Markets areas, with Íñigo Zumalabe and Miguel**

## Sánchez as new partners



ECIJA begins 2022 by reinforcing its Corporate and Capital Markets practice areas, with the integration of Íñigo Zumalabe and Miguel Sánchez. Both lawyers join the firm as partners from Freshfields and Ramón y Cajal respectively.

Íñigo Zumalabe has more than twenty years of experience in M&A, Corporate and Private Equity. After four years as director of the Corporate and M&A Department at Deloitte, and having worked at Freshfields for more than a decade, his practice is focused on M&A, Private Equity, Commercial Contracting, and Corporate advice to administrative bodies of commercial entities.

On his part, Miguel Sánchez has more than fourteen years of experience practicing Law, focused on Capital Markets, Corporate Governance and M&A. After more than ten years at Ramón y Cajal, he has experience in advising listed and unlisted companies in different sectors of activity (Financial entities, Energy companies, Real Estate, Agri-food and Biomedical companies, among others), as well as Investment Banks, in national and international securities market operations, both in regulated and unregulated markets.

Among the stock market operations carried out, highlights include IPOs, public acquisition offers (OPA) in national and international markets, public offers of sale (OPV) and subscription (OPS) under the supervision of the National Securities Market Commission (CNMV), issues of all types of debt securities (such as high yield bonds and green bonds), and admissions to securities trading on the Spanish Stock Exchanges, BME Growth and MARF.

Both lawyers join two teams with a total of 22 partners in Spain and 63 globally. Hugo Écija, founder and CEO of the firm said: "Facing this new year, we are firmly committed to strengthening critical areas of Business Law, such as Corporate Governance, Capital Markets and Mergers and Acquisitions. They are areas that enjoy great transversality and are fundamental in the day-to-day life of our clients."

Íñigo Zumalabe said, "I join the ECIJA team with great enthusiasm and prepared for new challenges with new colleagues. The firm's global focus and its commitment to full service advice, make it the best place to continue my career."

Miguel Sánchez affirms that he is, "frankly excited about this new professional challenge, to which I am joining the hand of old colleagues of the stature of Alberto Alonso. ECIJA's clear commitment to this area of expertise will allow us to offer an excellent service to our clients and position ECIJA as a leading law firm in this area. It is a privilege to start this stage in an innovative and growing firm with prominent leaders in the sector."

Pictured from left to right (top): Hugo Écija, founder and executive president of ECIJA, Alberto Alonso Ureba, professor of Commercial Law and partner of ECIJA, Pablo Jiménez de Parga, vice president

of the firm. Below from left to right: Miguel Sánchez and Íñigo Zumalabe, new partners at ECIJA.