

IBERIAN LAWYER ENERGY AWARDS 2022, THE WINNERS

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The winners of the **Iberian Lawyer Energy Awards 2022** were announced during the gala ceremony held at the Wellington Hotel in Madrid, on 22th June 2022.

The Energy Awards recognised the excellence among Spanish and Portuguese professionals active in this area.

The winners were the following:

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR

Watson Farley & Williams

The Law Firm has a strong international network and it's one of the market leaders in the Iberian Peninsula. They assisted the most important energy funds in their corporate activities, with very

strong curricula in M&A and Project Financing.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR

Mónica Carneiro Pacheco – CMS Portugal

She's the Head of the Energy & Climate Change department of her Law Firm. She is a leading figure in the market in the energy and natural resources sector in the Iberian Peninsula and frequently acts in the most prominent deals in the energy industry.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE & ENVIRONMENTAL

CTSU

Thanks to their strong international alliance they assisted very important multinational clients to adapt their organizations to the Iberian regulations. The firm is very strong in the aviation and the food industry not only in the Iberian Peninsula but also in the African market.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR ADMINISTRATIVE & ENVIRONMENTAL

Antonio Morales - Baker McKenzie

He is the head of the Public Law, Infrastructure and Energy department at his firm in Madrid. His wide and known experience is testified by important clients both national and international in the energy and infrastructure industries.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR ARBITRATION

Abreu Advogados

The Firm assisted one of most known Iberian players in the energy industry in one of the most important arbitrate in the last year. The win of the arbitration under the sphere of national, European and International public regulations was strategic to their client to avoid huge costs.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR ARBITRATION

Maria José Menéndez - Ashurst

She's one of the most known lawyers in her country in the field of arbitration, being the vice president of the Spanish Arbitration Club. She is very active in many industries including the infrastructures.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR CRIMINAL LAW

Clifford Chance

The firm is very up to date on the Spanish criminal law proceedings with a particular regard on the internal investigation in the large corporations in the regulated environment.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR CRIMINAL LAW

José Lobo Moutinho - Sérvulo

He's a wide known criminal litigator, both on the side of the defense and the prosecution. He's very experienced in white collar crimes, tax crimes and crimes against social security, property and honour.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Pérez-Llorca

The firm advised a joint venture between two companies of the energy sector and a platform in one of the largest European platforms for renewables to gas projects. This platform should both increase the energy efficiency and develop the hydrogen industry in the country.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Andrés Alfonso - Ashurst

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LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR ENERGY TAX

Deloitte Legal

The Firm has a great knowledge of Tax advising the most known companies in the Iberian energy market. Their advice in Tax matters was strategic to their client in the mutate fiscal conditions brought by European Green Deal attempt to reduce gas emission.

PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR ENERGY TAX

Mafalda Alves – SRS Advogados

She's a partner of the Tax department of her Firm and her expertise on the energy industry goes from domestic to international operations.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR FINANCE

Clifford Chance

The firm relate a solid expertise in the energy regulated sector with a strong banking practice that can benefit its clients in the energy sector in financing, project financing and corporate operations.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR FINANCE

Miguel Riaño - Herbert Smith Freehills

He's very active in the energy, infrastructure, natural resources, and environment. His help in financing various operations around the globe was impressive, with the most remarkable operation in financing a huge desalinization project in Africa.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR INFRASTRUCTURE

Ashurst

The Firm assisted very important multinational funds and infrastructure companies in their M&A Corporate operation. The Firm effort was useful to bring very important players on the Iberian market with new investments that will boost the development of the energy industry.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR INFRASTRUCTURE

Caterina Brito Ferreira – Morais Leitão

Her expertise in the area is wide and well known on the market. Her skills on Corporate M&A and Public Law matters and are recognized both by the market and the peers, acting as legal advisor both on domestic and international important operations.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR INNOVATION

Sérvulo

The Firm assisted an innovative foreigner company in their expansion on the Iberian market. Thanks to the Firm effort on the regulatory system a new path of combined agricultural and solar generation business will be easier to achieve.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR INNOVATION

Ivone Rocha – TELLES

As Co-Head of the Energy Practice of her Firm, she studied innovative legal tools to help the market in developing following the direction proposed by the European Green Deal, harmonizing the public and private sectors.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR LITIGATION

Baker McKenzie

The Spanish office of the firm was involved in many litigations deal all over the Spanish speaking countries, a lot of them in the South American market, consulting many international financial

institutions in their operations in the energy market.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR LITIGATION

João Marques Mendes – PLMJ

Since he joined the Firm, he led an important litigation case against the public authorities in the Iberian Peninsula, defending an important local energy producer controlled by one of the biggest European companies.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR M&A

VdA

The Firm is one of the most important names in the Iberian Peninsula and, thanks to its expertise and international network, is involved in the most important Corporate and M&A deals in the Energy industry.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR M&A

María Pilar García Guijarro - Watson Farley & Williams

As head of the Energy of her Firm, she assisted a lot of international energy funds in their operations of Corporate and M&A in the Iberian Peninsula. Her effort helped to bring billions of investments on the Iberian market of the renewable energy.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR OIL & GAS

King & Wood Mallesons

The law firm has proven his leading position in the oil & gas sector. In Spain, they provide day-to-day legal advice in all the regulatory and contractual aspects to the biggest players in the Iberian energy market.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR OIL & GAS

Ignacio Paz - Herbert Smith Freehills

He's very experienced in the energy industry at three hundred and sixty degrees. One of the most significant deals was the advising to one of the world's leading energy companies on the development of oil & gas exploratory opportunities in Mozambique.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR PROJECT FINANCE

Deloitte Legal

The Firm is acting as legal advisor of a company leader in the development of photovoltaic power plants. They are providing advisory in regulatory, corporate and insurance matters and legal advice on the preparation of the financial documentation.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR PROJECT FINANCE

João Caldeira - CMS Portugal

He is active in the financing of energy infrastructure projects across Spain and Latin America. Clients and competitors describe him as "an outstanding negotiator" with a noteworthy experience and knowledge.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR REGULATORY ANTITRUST

ONTIER

The team is always at the forefront of innovative and cutting-edge projects in the sector advising several associations in the energy market.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR REGULATORY ANTITRUST

Gervasio Martínez-Villaseñor Fernández - MVA Asociados

The professional successfully assisted a corporation leader in the power transmission system with

the implementation of the regulatory measures in Spain.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR RENEWABLES

Linklaters

The Firm has a very well-reputed energy practice thanks to its international network, particularly focused on transactions concerning renewable energy sources, including wind, hydroelectric and solar projects.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR RENEWABLES

Juan Ignacio González Ruiz – Uría Menéndez

He's very experienced and his practice is focused on finance, public energy law and project finance. He's very active in financing renewable energy market and his effort sustained the Iberian market thanks to its international experience earned in London.

LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR UTILITIES

CMS Portugal

The Firm assist on regular base the top players on Utilities in the Iberian market. Their assistance covers all the aspects of the clients' needs and it's strategic for the functionality of the operations in a complex regulatory environment.

LAWYER OF THE YEAR UTILITIES

João Marques Mendes – PLMJ

He advises major Portuguese and international companies on utilities matters and projects related to oil and gas, natural gas, water and sewage services. As the market affirms, he is a clear and concise lawyer, with an excellent knowledge of the energy system.

BEST PRACTICE RENEWABLES M&A

Pérez-Llorca

They assisted clients operating in the renewables in several corporate operation in many Spanish speaking countries with a remarkable track record in term of value and GigaWatts dealed.

THOUGHT LEADERHIP

Juan Ignacio González Ruiz - Uría Menéndez

The lawyer has a long expertise in his firm, becoming partner in London ad advised the largest energy companies in the transaction to the liberalized Iberian market of energy leading a new path for the entire industry.

SUSTAINABILITY TEAM OF THE YEAR

Araoz & Rueda

The Firm, during the last year, has advised the most renewable energy company. Their effort helps to keep the energy market of the Iberian Peninsula both sustainable for the environment and for the users in a time of uncertainty of the supply of natural gas.

GENDER EQUALITY TEAM OF THE YEAR

CTSU

The Energy Team is wide known in the firm's country and the presence of women lawyers is the largest on the market in all the roles.