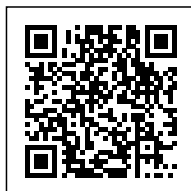


SIX MIRANDA PARTNERS JOIN VDA

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Six Miranda partners, led by former managing partner Rui Amendoeira, have left the firm to join Lisbon-based Vieira de Almeida (VdA).

The partners making the move along with Amendoeira are João Fialho, Rui Andrade, Paulo Trindade Costa, Raúl Cerveira and Samuel Almeida. They will be joined by Miranda's of counsel Matthieu Le Roux.

The arrival of the new partners has been confirmed on VdA's website.

VdA is understood to have recruited the team because of its considerable experience advising oil and gas companies in Lusophone and Francophone Africa.

Amendoeira was managing partner of Miranda from 2006 until 2014.

Miranda has confirmed that its new managing partner is Diogo Xavier da Cunha.

Earlier this year, Miranda confirmed what it described as a “radical shake-up” of its management structure that involved the creation of a new governance model and the election of new executive members in order to “better reflect and react to the needs of a law firm now active on four continents”.

The changes, which took effect on 1 January 2015, meant the firm adopted a dual management structure consisting of a board of directors and supervisory board. The new board of directors comprised seven members presided over by Amendoeira.