Ashurst expands offering in US with launch of new office in Los Angeles

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International law firm Ashurst today announces the official opening of an office in Los Angeles, in order to further build on its capacity to deliver on major projects in the US.

Partner Anna Hermelin will act as managing partner of the office, which will focus predominately on projects and project finance work in the transport and social infrastructure sectors, to support Ashurst's existing practice in the US and globally.

Lee McDonald, co-head of Ashurst's global projects and real estate division, said:

"Our global projects team has witnessed a period of outstanding growth recently and we have consolidated and built upon that this year. We continue to invest heavily in our US capability, having recently hired Betty Cerini, Matthew Tague and Andrés Arnaldos Montaner. We have a great breadth of sector knowledge, an impressive track record of advising on highly complex mandates and practitioners who operate at the very forefront of the US market."

Global managing partner, Paul Jenkins, said:

"We are very serious about our goal to become one of the world's leading projects, project finance and infrastructure firms. Our US offering continues to perform exceptionally well and opening our office in LA is another step towards achieving those ambitions."

Anna Hermelin commented:

"Building on the success and growth of the firm's work on West Coast projects, opening an office in LA will allow us to capitalise further on significant market opportunities and ensure we deliver the best possible service to our clients. This is an exciting move for our people and our clients."

Ashurst's US team has a long track record of advising public authorities on infrastructure procurements carried out using various procurement methods including P3/ DBFOM, DBOM, DB, DBB and DBF. The team within the US and globally also advises sponsors, financing parties and government agencies on some of the most complex infrastructure projects under development.

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