

## Hogan Lovells Grows Finance Practice with High Yield Partner Hire in London

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Hogan Lovells has announced that Sylvain Dhennin has joined as a finance partner in the international debt capital markets (IDCM) team in London.

Sylvain joins from Dentons in London where he has built a high yield practice focusing on high yield bond offerings and Rule 144A/Regulation S securities offerings in emerging markets.

He is recognised in Europe as a leading high yield practitioner and has advised on some of the most significant high yield bond offerings across Europe. High profile clients he has advised include Société Générale and HSBC. He recently advised Faurecia on its €500 million 3.125% senior notes due 2022 and its tap for an additional €200 million.

Sylvain also has extensive experience in emerging markets and the mining industry in particular. He has advised a large number of companies and sovereigns in connection with their bond offerings across Eastern Europe, the Middle-East and Africa, including several African States

Sharon Lewis, global head of Hogan Lovells' finance practice, said:

*"The European high yield bond market has grown as a direct result of the financial crisis and corporates and funds are increasingly looking to this market as part of their financing arrangements. High yield is a specialised field in which only a small number of lawyers have gained real experience and Sylvain's expertise will be invaluable in building our high yield offering in London."*

Sylvain said:

*"Hogan Lovells' strong IDCM practice and extensive network of European offices provide the ideal platform and an exciting opportunity to grow the firm's global high yield practice. I am very much looking forward to working with the wider finance team both in London and globally to drive this forward."*

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