

Investment Funds and Asset Management

Our Investment Funds and Asset Management team has represented many of the world's leading private fund sponsors, managers and placement agents to tailor products for particular markets or industries. We assist our clients through the complete life cycle of their investment activities, including:

- fund formation;
- regulatory compliance;
- representing funds in obtaining financing;
- structuring, negotiating and executing leveraged acquisitions and other investments;
- ongoing representation and support for existing investments; and
- implementation of exit strategies such as divestitures, public offerings and recapitalizations.

As a result of these mandates, the firm and its lawyers maintain a detailed knowledge of industry developments and market terms, facilitating the firm's representation of fund sponsors and investors alike.

Our team regularly advises private fund sponsors in the formation of hundreds of investment vehicles, including private equity funds; real estate funds and REITs; debt funds; hedge funds; venture capital funds; energy and infrastructure funds; funds of funds; special situation funds; and *Shari'ah*-compliant funds.

We have particular expertise in the formation of open- and closed-end funds for investment in real estate across a wide range of geographies, property types and return profiles. We are also the market leaders in structuring funds and transactions on a *Shari'ah*-compliant basis and in funds authorized by the Saudi Arabian Capital Market Authority, having advised on the first CMA approved listed REIT in Saudi Arabia.

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Recognition

Ranked Tier 1 in United Arab
Emirates Investment Fund
Formation and Management

LEGAL 500 EMEA, 2024

Ranked Tier 2 in Germany
Banking and Finance:
Investment Funds

LEGAL 500 GERMANY,
2023

We understand the unique tax issues presented by funds and work with sponsors to develop structures that satisfy the tax needs of varied classes of investors and target investments. We counsel our clients on how to address the evolving intricacies of U.S. and international regulatory requirements for managers of private investment funds, including matters arising under the U.S. Investment Advisers Act, Investment Company Act, Dodd-Frank Act, the Volcker Rule, the Commodity Exchange Act, EU Alternative Investment Fund Managers' Directive (AIFMD), UK Financial Services Act and the German Alternative Investment Fund regulations.

We work with ERISA investors, fund of funds, ultra-high net worth investors and other investors in analyzing and negotiating fund terms and addressing investor specific business, tax and regulatory issues associated with private fund investments. We also assist institutional investors with the due diligence, structuring and negotiation of complex secondary transactions.

Our team has particular expertise in advising fund sponsors and investment management teams on their participation in buyouts and other investment management transactions. Our interdisciplinary team helps management teams achieve their equity incentive and compensation objectives in both the buyout transaction and over the life of the investment management business.

Cases & Deals

May 12, 2025

King & Spalding Advises on the Sale of the Real Estate of Hartland International School

January 21, 2025

King & Spalding Advises GFH Partners on Acquisition of AED 500 million Dubai-based Logistics Fund

January 15, 2025

King & Spalding Advises Iliad Partners on the launch of its MENA Venture Capital Fund

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Insights

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

June 11, 2025

Saudi Arabia Overhauls White Land Fee Law: Key Changes Explained

ARTICLE

May 26, 2025

Innovating finance: How fintech is reshaping MENA

CLIENT ALERT

May 14, 2025

Ranked Band 1 in Middle East-Wide Investment Funds

CHAMBERS GLOBAL 2025

Ranked Band 4 in Germany Investment Funds

CHAMBERS EUROPE, 2023

"In my view, King & Spalding have the best-quality and best-written fund legal documents; funds we work on with them are generally immediately approved by the regulators."

CHAMBERS GLOBAL, 2025

"Comprehensive advice, especially for offshore structuring and local laws."

LEGAL 500 EMEA, 2024

What is new in: Private Credit Secondaries

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Events

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

June 26, 2025

Moritz Heidebuechel to Speak at EBS Executive School

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

June 12, 2025

Sebastian Kaufmann and Moritz Heidebuechel to Speak at EBS Executive School

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT

May 27, 2025

Axel Schilder and Martin Wolff to Speak at 11th Tax Summit

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News

IN THE NEWS

June 4, 2025

Jennifer Morgan discusses why more investors are selling off their stakes in real estate funds to eager buyers on the secondary market

IN THE NEWS

May 23, 2025

Russell Sacks comments on the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission exploring increasing retail access to private funds

IN THE NEWS

May 13, 2025

Mike Rainey, Malek Al Rifai, Asal Saghari, Alex Barker, Husni Al Far and Sherif Saleh advise on the sale of the real estate leased to Hartland International School in Dubai to Elevate

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