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# Anna Rossides

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Anna Rossides is a Partner practicing in the Corporate and Commercial Department of the firm, regularly advising on corporate and commercial transactions involving Cyprus vehicles, especially acquisitions, joint ventures, corporate restructurings, secured project financing and securitization.

Anna has considerable experience in multi-million IPO transactions on regulated and unregulated markets (such as AIM) and foreign stock exchanges (including the LSE, Toronto SE and Frankfurt SE) and in listings of loan notes and GDRs on such markets.

She is also recognised for her strong expertise in the area of Competition law; frequently assisting prestigious clients in diverse industries on challenging competition and antitrust matters and representing corporate clients before the Cyprus Commission for the Protection of Competition.

She has over the years repeatedly been listed, highly recommended and singled out as a Leading Lawyer in her areas of practice in several international legal directories, including, Legal 500 EMEA, IFLR1000, Chambers Europe, Who's Who Legal: Banking, the International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers & Economists, the International Who's Who of Business Lawyers and Global Competition Review.

## Capital Markets

Anna has extensive experience in all types of public offerings (including initial, secondary and dual public offerings on regulated and non-regulated markets, both within and outside the EU) as well as private placements, whose value extends from several tens of million to billions of USD/EURO. She also repeatedly undertakes complex multi-million transactions involving the issuance of loan notes and GDRs, to international investors and their listing on various markets. In the context of such transactions, she reviews and drafts certain sections of the Prospectus(es), Offering Memorandum or other such document, advises and opines on all related transaction documents and issues legal opinions for the underwriters, stock exchange and other interested parties.

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The portfolio of clients involved in such transactions are primarily active in mining and metals, agriculture, real estate or transportation and include European Copper producer ‘Atalaya Mining Plc’ , Russian airport Infrastructure Operator ‘East Line group’ and global pharmaceutical company ‘Endo International Plc’ .

She is frequently singled out as one of the Leading Lawyers in IFLR1000 for the Capital Markets practice area.

## Corporate & Commercial Law

Anna advises on the entire spectrum of services from incorporation, annual operation, restructures and dissolutions of Cyprus companies. She has gained extensive experience over the last 15 years in corporate and commercial transactions involving Cyprus vehicles, especially acquisitions, joint ventures, corporate restructurings, secured project financing and securitization. In this context, she will often issue legal opinions and conduct legal due diligence exercises on Cyprus companies and has in fact done so for clients such as Deutsche Telekom AG.

Examples of the most significant and high-profile transactions she has worked on, include the acquisition of Remedica Holdings, the leading pharmaceutical company in Cyprus and the concession of the container terminal in the Limassol port.

## Banking & Secured Financing

Anna has over the past 15 years gained extensive experience in complex and time-critical international high-value financing or refinancing transactions, including project financing, syndicated, subordinated and mezzanine financing. In this context she has advised local and international banks such as EBRD and ING Bank N.V., as well as syndicates of banks and drafted or reviewed loan and facility agreements, fixed and floating charges, mortgages, corporate guarantees, share pledge agreements and other security documents.

She has been listed and highly recommended in international legal directories for her work in this practice area, including, IFLR1000 (most recently in 2016) and Who’s Who Legal: Banking (2017).

# Competition Law

Anna regularly advises institutions from several industries on a wide range of challenging competition law issues, primarily for the purpose of ensuring that any proposed agreements or concentrations will not be deemed anti-competitive by the Commission for the Protection of Competition Law in Cyprus. She has often guided clients such as Daimler AG, Aer Rianta International (Middle East) WLL, CMA CGM and OJSC Kamaz, through important transactions, including the facilitation of significant mergers and acquisitions, by successfully obtaining clearance from the Commission.

Noteworthy cases Anna has previously been involved in, include advising BLC Bank sal (Lebanon) on competition law issues regarding the multi-million Euro purchase of shares in a bank operating in Cyprus (USB Bank Plc), and advising Yildirim Holding AS and CMA CGM S.A. in relation to the USD 500 million acquisition of 20% of CMA CGM S.A. equity capital by Yildirim Holding AS. More recent noteworthy cases in which her competition law expertise was required include the multi-million Euro joint acquisitions of FSIA Investimenti S.r.l by FSI Investimenti S.p.A and Poste Italiane S.p.A and of AC Boilers S.p.A. by Ansaldo Energia S.p.A (a company that is jointly controlled by the Italian CDP Group and the Chinese Shangai Electric Group).

Anna is repeatedly listed and highly recommended in several international legal directories for her work in this area of practice, including in IFLR1000 and in the International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers & Economists, as one of the world's leading lawyers in this practice area.

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## Education

- LLM (Distinction) European Law, University of Essex
- LLB (Hons), University of Essex

## Admitted

- Cyprus Bar Association (2002)

## Languages

- Greek
- English
- French