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# Energy & Infrastructure **Full Service in Energy**



## Full Service in Energy

We are proud to be one of the leading law firms advising on renewable energy projects with extensive operational and regulatory experience and a wealth of detailed knowledge essential for the successful implementation and operation of these kind of projects.

Taylor Wessing has been active in the renewable energy sector for around 20 years and has market-leading expertise, in transactions and financing, power purchase agreements (PPAs), (energy) plant construction including the drafting and negotiation of engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) and service and maintenance contracts as well as in securing land, planning and permitting and litigation including patent litigation for various renewable technologies. Our experts in the fields of regulatory energy law and public law are central to our high-quality advice on renewable energy projects. In a market environment with an ever-increasing regulatory framework, we advise on all stages of the energy value chain, from generation to transport and consumption. We offer full-service advice throughout all phases of a renewable energy project: from planning and financing, drafting and negotiating of the relevant project contracts and advising on all necessary authorisations right through to construction and sale or acquisition. We advise developers, landowners, EPC contractors, off-takers, regulators, banks and funders across a number of jurisdictions. Our extensive experience in all aspects and on all stages of renewable energy projects enables us to focus on the most important legal aspects of each project.

**Renewables Transactions & Projects**

**Energy Project Finance**

**Portfolio Transactions**

**Regulatory Energy Law**

**Planning & Permitting**

**Energy Plant Construction**

**PPAs and Power Concepts**

**Cleantech VC & PE**

**Sustainability-Linked Financing**

**Energy Disputes**

**IP Litigation and Licensing**



## Selected References








Taylor Wessing's Renewable Energy team comprises over 50 experts worldwide, dedicated to supporting clients in navigating the complexities of the energy transition. We provide strategic full service legal advice in particular regarding solar, onshore and offshore wind, hydrogen, battery storage, biomass, and hydropower. Explore a selection of our recent projects here.

Client	Matter
<b>Green hydrogen investors</b> 	Legal advice to the existing investors on €500 million financing of Sunfire.
<b>Renewables investor</b> 	Legal advice on the acquisition of an onshore wind farm with installed capacity of 50 MW in Finland.
<b>Renewables investor</b> 	Legal advice on the acquisition of a solar PV plant with installed capacity of 25 MWp in Spain.
<b>Investment group</b> 	Legal advice to an Australasian investment group in relation to their investment into a waste-to-energy/biogas technology developer in a pre-seed financing round in Austria.
<b>Hydrogen producer</b> 	Legal advice to GeoPura, the UK's green hydrogen pioneer, on its £36 million Series A funding round to scale its green hydrogen power generation technology.
<b>Lenders and hedging banks</b> 	Legal advice to lenders and the hedging banks in financing of a heating network built by an affiliate of Engie Energie Services.
<b>Utility-scale clean energy producer</b> 	Legal advice on a € 130 million green bond issue and regarding acquisition of solar farms in Italy, the Netherlands, Poland and Romania.
<b>Turbine supplier</b> 	Drafting and negotiation of WTG Supply and Installation Agreements, Service and Maintenance Agreements, Direct Agreements, financial documentation and related documents for European Offshore Wind Farms.
<b>Developer</b> 	Legal advice on the sale of a portfolio of solar PV projects with installed capacity of 250 MWp in France.
<b>Renewables investor</b> 	Legal advice on the acquisition of a ready to build BESS project in Germany including drafting and negotiating the EPC contract.
<b>Renewables investor</b> 	Legal advice in the structured sales process regarding three Austrian wind parks. The deal was eventually implemented in two stages.
<b>Several intl. renewable energy developers</b> 	Legal advice to several international renewable energy developers on the development of wind farm projects across Ireland.





















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<b>Project developer</b> 	<p>Legal advice to a Hungarian project developer on the establishment of a wind park in Hungary. Advice on the legal framework in Hungary regarding the gaining of licenses for the operation of wind turbines.</p>
<b>Lenders and hedging banks</b> 	<p>Legal advice to lenders and the hedging banks in the financing of a three waste-to-energy units built by an affiliate of IDEX Environnement, SÉCHÉ Environnement, and Engie Energie Services respectively.</p>
<b>Green growth fund</b> 	<p>Legal advice on a € 32 million Series C financing round in a manufacturer of environmentally friendly and efficient photovoltaic modules.</p>
<b>French metropolitan area</b> 	<p>Legal advice to Eurometropole de Strasbourg in connection with the development of solar power projects. In particular legal advice on setting up a metropolitan public company (société publique locale) in charge of solar projects of about 40 MWp.</p>
<b>Major food producer</b> 	<p>Legal advice to a major food production and processing business on a 100+ MW PPA strategy for its pan-European business, across multiple Nordic, Continental European and UK locations for their business.</p>
<b>Energy infrastructure provider</b> 	<p>Legal advice to Berlin Energie Rekom 3 on the financing of the multi billion Euro acquisition of Vattenfall Wärme Berlin AG as part of the remunicipalization of energy and heat supply.</p>
<b>Renewable energy developer</b> 	<p>Legal advice to an Irish start up renewable energy developer on a solar energy project in Ireland including negotiations with the ESB.</p>
<b>Energy infrastructure provider</b> 	<p>Legal advice to Berlin Energie und Netzholding on the financing of the multi billion Euro acquisition of Vattenfall subsidiary Stromnetz Berlin as part of the remunicipalization of energy and heat supply.</p>
<b>OEM in the wind energy sector</b> 	<p>Various related court proceedings (including interim relief) as well as ICC arbitration in Denmark on the issue of ownership of wind turbine rotor blades.</p>
<b>Manufacturer in the energy sector</b> 	<p>Legal advice and representation in an ICC arbitration under Swiss law with its place of arbitration in Geneva on the supply and licensing of equipment in the energy sector (€ 45m).</p>
<b>Solar module manufacturer</b> 	<p>Defending the manufacturer of solar panels against claims raised in connection with the alleged defectiveness of PV modules built-in world-wide. The contract is subject to SIAC arbitration.</p>
<b>Wind turbine manufacturer</b> 	<p>Advice in connection with claims arising from several onshore wind farm projects in various Scandinavian countries.</p>
<b>Renewable fund</b> 	<p>Legal advice and assistance to Triodos Energy Transition Europe Fund on various transactions (equity, debt, hybrid) regarding the financing of renewable energy projects, including solar and wind farm projects.</p>
<b>International construction company</b> 	<p>Legal advice and assistance to the Netherlands branch of Vinci, an international energy construction company, with numerous acquisitions in the (renewable) energy space.</p>

## Selected References

<b>Industry customers</b> 	Legal advice on the drafting and negotiation of several long-term PPAs, especially for major industry customers.
<b>French reconversion fund</b> 	Legal advice to the Fonds pour la reconquête industrielle (FPRI), a private entity fully owned by the Region Sud, in the creation of a regional investment fund dedicated to renewable energy projects.
<b>Renewable energy company</b> 	Legal advice to an Irish renewable energy company on the development of numerous wind farm projects in Ireland including preparing and negotiating option agreements, leases, over sail agreements and proximity agreements.
<b>Renewables investor</b> 	Legal advice on the acquisition of a solar PV project with installed capacity of 150 MWp in Germany including drafting and negotiating the EPC contract.
<b>Data centre service provider</b> 	Legal advice to Verne Global, a leading data centre platform in Iceland, wholly powered by renewable energy, on its entry into a \$ 100 million term green loan facility. The loan included a \$ 50 million accordion facility.
<b>Developer and operator of solar projects</b> 	Legal advice on establishing a joint venture with an international asset manager to develop over 1 GW of solar farms in Ireland.
<b>Contractor</b> 	Legal advice for a Yemeni-based contractor on disputes arising during construction of an oil and gas pipeline.

### Legende

 Renewable energy	 Battery storage	 Electricity grid	 Plant construction
 Onshore wind	 EV charging infrastructure	 Data centre	 Energy disputes
 Offshore wind	 Waste-to-energy	 Corporate M&A	 Project development
 Solar PV	 Biogas	 (Project) Finance, PE & VC	 Disputes
 Hydrogen	 Heating network	 PPAs / power concepts	 Oil & Gas

# Our Energy References



The team provides us with excellent inter-disciplinary advice. This collaboration also works smoothly across several locations.

Legal 500 Energy Sector 2024



The team is very client-orientated and is well positioned across the various areas of expertise that are relevant for energy supply contracts. Partners and associates act on an equal footing and cooperation across offices is excellent.

Legal 500 Energy Sector 2023



The colleagues at Taylor Wessing have in-depth knowledge of the industry and therefore know how to offer customised solutions in the shortest possible time. The collaboration with our in-house colleagues runs smoothly and is always very professional.

Legal 500 Energy Sector 2023



Outstanding expertise and practical advice at eye level.

Legal 500 Real Estate 2024



The Projects team at TW around Janina Pochhammer (...) has excellent expertise and experience. For many years, this team has been known throughout Germany for its track record in the field of maritime and industrial plant construction as well as onshore and offshore renewables. The cooperation is always uncomplicated, not least thanks to the hands-on mentality of the team.

Legal 500 Construction (including construction litigation) 2024



Leading advisers for the energy turnaround.

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# Our Expertise

Our team consists of a group of specialised lawyers from various practice areas. The combination of our legal capabilities with a comprehensive understanding of the underlying commercial and technical requirements gives us a unique position in the renewable energy sector. Below, we feature selected key legal services.

## Renewables Transactions

We have extensive experience advising corporate clients and financial sponsors on mergers, acquisitions, and disposals of all sizes, as well as reorganisations. Our industry focus and expertise from numerous international transactions form the foundation of our highly-regarded service.

In the renewable energy sector, particularly onshore wind and solar PV, we regularly provide legal due diligence on: real estate, permits, project development agreements, EPC and O&M contracts, asset management agreements, Module/WTG supply contracts, grid connection and infrastructure agreements, transformer stations, corporate law, shareholder financing/equity, debt financing, direct marketing agreements, PPAs and all other project-related agreements.

## Plant Construction

In plant construction, we support RE projects throughout the entire life cycle: from the RFP phase to the drafting and negotiation of the corresponding project contracts (engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) as well as service and maintenance contracts including international standard contracts such as FIDIC through to the construction and operational phase of the project, including legal project and contract management and dispute resolution.

## Project Finance

In addition to advising on projects of all kinds (infrastructure, renewable energy, cleantech, etc.), we also provide financing support and, on the banking side, the preparation of market-compliant loan documentation. A particular focus is on the renewable energy sector. We provide ongoing support for national and international projects in the areas of wind power (on- and off-shore), solar/PV, biomass/biogas and geothermal energy.

## Energy and Public Law

Our excellent energy law team provides customised advice on all key aspects of energy law, including renewable energy and regulatory issues, as well as energy-specific advisory services in the area of corporate law/M&A. From an environmental and planning law perspective, we support our clients in the creation of planning law, reviewing environmental and nature conservation requirements and obtaining the necessary authorisations. Our particular strengths include advising on urban land-use planning procedures, communicating with authorities and environmental organisations and cooperating with environmental experts.

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Energy sector: Transactions ★★★★★  
 Project development and plant construction ★★★★★

Planning and environmental law ★★★★★  
 Real estate law ★★★★★  
 Loans and acquisition finance ★★★★★

## Our Expertise

### Venture Capital

We are experts in Venture Capital and advising the Renewable Energy and Cleantech sectors. For two decades, we have guided clients investing in Renewables and Cleantech and those developing sustainable technologies and services. Our services include financing, Renewables and Cleantech transactions and regulatory matters. We leverage experts from all our offices and practice areas to provide top-tier legal advice and full-service support. We are renowned for advising on investments from early-stage funding to exit strategy.

### Energy Disputes

With over 100 dispute practitioners worldwide, we provide strategic advice to resolve disputes. We manage pre-litigation, litigation, arbitration, and regulatory matters.

Our international arbitration team, based in key hubs in Europe and Asia, supports clients across all sectors in commercial and investor-state disputes, with a focus on energy and renewable energy projects. Our dual experience as counsel and arbitrators enables us to present cases effectively to arbitral tribunals.





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