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Hans Madsen deals primarily with commercial contracts – including negotiation, drafting and interpretation.

Hans has a right of audience before the Danish High Courts and is advisor to a number of listed companies such as major Danish energy company Ørsted, leading satellite manufacturer GomSpace and leading Danish media company JP/Politikens Hus. He has a wealth of experience in complex, non-standard contracts characterised by long contract periods and by having to provide for unforeseen factors such as market developments, physical conditions and legislative action.

Hans focuses particularly on international contracts and assists Danish companies trading internationally as well as international companies operating in Denmark. Hans has more than 20 years' experience in negotiating, drafting and interpreting major energy contracts, including joint operating agreements and exploration licences. Hans also provides advice on public law to public-sector organisations such as Danish transport provider Movia and the City of Copenhagen.

He advises on the scope of local government mandates and also advises public authorities on the interpretation of the Danish Open Administration Act in connection with requests for access to documents, i.e. the situations in which an authority is obliged to provide copies of documents and the documents it is obliged to provide copies of. Finally, he advises public authorities on the rules relating to the public works spending cap.

Hans holds an LLM from New York University and is co-editor of the energy-law section of Tidsskrift for miljø, a Danish environmental-law periodical published (in Danish only) by Djøf Forlag.

Qualifications

Admissions	Right of audience before the Danish High Courts	1986
	Danske Advokaters Faggruppe for Energi-og Klimaret (specialist committee on energy and climate law, the Association of Danish Law Firms)	
	The New York State Bar Association	
Memberships	The Danish Climate and Energy Law Society	
	Master of Law, University of Copenhagen	1983
		1986
	Admitted to the Danish Bar	1991
	LL.M., New York University	1991
Education	Admitted to the New York Bar	4004

Experience

Recent highlights

- Hans is advisor to major Danish energy company Ørsted on long-term gas purchase agreements. He assists in contractual negotiations on contract period, conditions of supply, price adjustment terms, force-majeure clauses, interpretation issues, renegotiation issues and termination options, etc. The agreements are comprehensive and complex and must provide for long contract periods, market developments, physical conditions and legislative action.
- Hans is advisor to GomSpace, a listed manufacturer of satellite solutions. He assists in negotiating and drafting contracts setting out the terms during both construction and operation. The contracts are particularly complex, as it is not possible to access the satellites in space and so it is difficult to identify any defect and determine liability. As a result, a catalogue is prepared detailing sanctions for non-performance, which requires a lot from the contract. Hans also advises on reporting requirements and GomSpace's possibilities for complying with these requirements in connection with funding particularly from pools managed by ESA.

Career highlights

Partner, DLA Piper Denmark, since 2017

Partner, LETT (DLA Piper Denmark), 2012-2017

Partner, Lind Cadovius, 1992-2012

Attorney, Lind Cadovius, 1986-1992

Assistant Attorney, Lind Cadovius, 1983-1986

Other positions

Co-editor of the energy-law section of Tidsskrift for miljø, a Danish environmental-law periodical published (in Danish only) by Djøf Forlag.

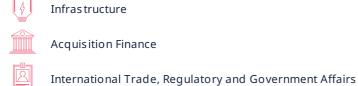
Rankings

Who's Who Legal	Hans is recommended by Who's Who Legal within "Energy - Oil & Gas".	
Legal 500	Hans is recognized by The Legal 500 within 'Banking and Finance'.	
	"Hans Madsen is always available and understands how to transfer complex information in an easy-to-understand way."	
	"Strong team for cross-border transactions."	
	"Extremely skilled, solution-oriented team. High level of availability."	

Services







Finance and Projects

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Energy and Natural Resources