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## DLA Piper bolsters its Real Estate practice in Finland by combining forces with Project Law



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DLA Piper announced today that the team of Project Law Attorneys Ltd, the leading Finnish real estate boutique law firm will join DLA Piper on 1 January 2023.

The partners of Project Law, **Antti Laaksonen**, **Panu Penttilä**, and **Sakari Lähteenmäki** will join the partnership of DLA Piper and the widely recognized team which has advised developers and construction companies on the largest Finnish real estate development projects in the recent years will become part of DLA Piper's real estate practice. As a result, DLA Piper's real estate team will be one of the largest in the Finnish market.

"There is an increased client demand for our services in the real estate and energy infrastructure markets and we are delighted to welcome these highly regarded professionals to the firm. In the past few years, DLA Piper has developed one of the leading practices in transactional real estate work in Finland, which will be further strengthened by the Project Law team. This will benefit our clients and enhance our capabilities particularly in real estate development and planning, construction, environmental law, and related dispute resolution. I am very much looking forward to start working with our new colleagues in the coming year", says Mikko Larvala, Head of DLA Piper's Real Estate practice in Finland.

**Antti Laaksonen**, the Managing Partner of Project Law is convinced that "the transaction will not only strengthen DLA Piper's real estate service offering but will also provide Project Law's existing clients for access to unparalleled services of a global law firm both in Finland and globally. For the Project Law team, joining DLA Piper, one of the fastest-growing real estate practices in Finland, opens opportunities for continued professional growth in a truly international environment."

"Our clients, people, and strategic growth will remain our priorities and the arrangement supports our strategy by strengthening our capabilities in Real Estate, a cornerstone of our business both in Finland and globally. While pragmatic and commercial solutions, high standard of legal advice, and excellence of service are all in the blueprint of both DLA Piper and Project Law, the most important factor that makes our new colleagues a perfect match with us are our shared values", comments Ilkka Liljeroos, Country Managing Partner, DLA Piper in Finland.

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