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John Horsfield-Bradbury, based in London, leads our representation of major European companies on a variety of securities and M&A matters. He has advised many clients, including **AB InBev**, **bp**, **The Goldman Sachs Group** and **Softbank** in a significant number of transformational global transactions across a wide range of business sectors.

John was recognized as a Client Service All-Star in M&A and Capital Markets by *BTI* (2021) and a Rising Star by *Law360* (2020).

SELECTED REPRESENTATIONS

Capital Markets

John has extensive experience in public and private offerings of equity and debt securities for a wide range of issuers. He is also actively involved in advising issuers listed in the United States on wide-variety of corporate governance matters:

- **Anheuser-Busch InBev** on a wide variety of securities issuance and liability management transactions including: its \$8.2 billion rights offering in 2008, its debut listing of ADSs on the NYSE in 2009, multiple registered and unregistered debt offerings totaling over \$100 billion, including the second largest bond offering of all time when it issued \$46 billion aggregate principal amount of guaranteed notes to pre-fund the acquisition of SABMiller plc
- **Budweiser Brewing Company APAC** on its \$5.75 billion initial public offering and listing on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange
- **bp** on its \$12 billion hybrid bond offering and over \$59 billion of U.S.-registered notes since 2008
- **Cellink** on its SEK 1.5 billion 2.875% senior unsecured convertible bonds due 2026 convertible into Class B shares of Cellink via an ABO and a directed issue of SEK 1.5 billion of new Class B shares
- **CyrusOne Inc. (CONE)**, a U.S. data center REIT, on its inaugural €500 million benchmark CSPP-eligible green-bond issuance

PRACTICES & CAPABILITIES

Capital Markets

Credit & Leveraged Finance

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)

Europe

General Practice

Mergers & Acquisitions

Private Equity

Renewable & Alternative Energy

EDUCATION

2008, Harvard Law School, J.D.

2005, University of Cambridge, M.Math.

2004, University of Cambridge, B.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

- **Equinor** on over \$10 billion of U.S.-registered notes issuances
- **The Goldman Sachs Group** on over \$50 billion of its notes offerings since 2008
- **JDE Peet's N.V.** on its inaugural \$1.75 billion Rule 144A and Regulation S investment grade bond offering
- The **Kingdom of Denmark** on the update to its €50B EMTN Programme and the inaugural \$2B issuance under this updated Programme
- **International Airlines Group** on its €2.75bn rights issue
- **Pershing Square Holdings** on its initial public offering and listing on Euronext Amsterdam
- **Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken** on its \$1.85 billion rights offering
- **SoftBank Group** in a series of capital markets transactions which involved monetizing a portion of its shares of Alibaba Group Holding and in relation to its agreement with Deutsche Telekom AG to monetize its stake in T-Mobile US, Inc
- **Telia Company** on its €427 million placement of shares in Turkcell Iletsim Hizmetleri AS
- **XXL**, the largest Nordic sports retailer, in connection with its initial public offering and listing on the Oslo Børs
- **ZIM Integrated Shipping Services Ltd.**, advising the underwriters, on its \$250 million initial public offering and listing on the NYSE and on its \$279 million secondary offering of shares

M&A

John has advised a broad array of multinational organizations on transformational global transactions including:

- **Anheuser-Busch InBev** on its acquisition of SABMiller plc, the biggest ever takeover of a London-listed company; and on the sale of a 49.9% stake in its U.S. based metal container production plants to Apollo for approximately \$3 billion
- **Barclays** on the \$15.2 billion sale of the Barclays Global Investors business to BlackRock
- **bp** on its agreement with the Supreme Petroleum Council of the Emirate of Abu Dhabi and the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company to acquire a minority interest in Abu Dhabi's ADCO onshore oil concession in exchange for 2% of bp's issued share capital
- **Credit Suisse** on the acquisition of the private wealth management business in Europe, Middle East and Africa of Morgan Stanley
- **Cúram Software** on its acquisition by IBM Corporation
- **e&** in its acquisition of a passive 9.8% stake in Vodafone Group Plc for \$4.4 billion, becoming Vodafone's largest shareholder
- **Silver Lake Partners** and **Skype** on the \$8.5 billion acquisition of Skype by Microsoft
- **Telia Company**, the pre-dominant Swedish telecommunications company on a significant number of critical matters including:

- the sale of all of its common shares in **Spotify Technology** for an aggregate cash consideration of approximately \$272 million
- the sale of its 47% interest in **Turkcell** (the leading mobile operator of Turkey) to the Turkey Wealth Fund for \$530 million
- the sale of its mobile telecommunication business in Moldova, **Moldcell** to CG Corp Global
- the sale of its majority interest in **Azercell** (a leading Azeri telecommunications operator) to a company wholly owned by the Republic of Azerbaijan, for €222 million
- the sale of its mobile telecommunication business in Georgia, **Geocell**, to Silknet JSC, a Georgian wireline telecommunications operator, for total consideration of approximately \$153 million
- the sale of its majority interest in **Kcell** (the leading Kazakhi telecommunications operator) to the telecom operator Kazakhtelecom, which is controlled by the sovereign wealth fund Samruk-Kazyna for \$446 million