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## Energy, Natural Resources and Utilities

Our expertise in Energy, Natural Resources & Utilities ranges from assisting major foreign corporations actively engaged in various fields of business (including oil & gas fields) in their acquisitions in Romania of Romanian refineries and factories to providing them with advice on day-to-day activities across complementary practice areas.

The Romanian natural gas and energy sectors have undergone significant changes in recent years, involving the privatization of the main operators and the implementation of EU guidelines designed to harmonize the Romanian legal and regulatory environment with those of the EU with a view to complete market liberalization.

This ongoing process of major transformation, leading to the deregulation of the market, has resulted in a complex range of background issues raised by the required privatization of the main operators, in terms of concessions, clarification on property rights over network related assets, pipeline interconnection contracts, structured financing, trading strategies, ongoing regulation and operational strategies.

Specific areas of advice:

➤ Oil and Gas

Our lawyers have participated in a variety of major projects in oil and gas areas, having advised on a wide range of oil and gas related matters and on various types of contracts used in exploration, drilling, transportation, distribution, refining and selling of oil and gas.

➤ Electricity

Our lawyers advised in projects related to electricity procurement, generation, transmission, supply and distribution.

➤ Renewable energy

Our practice related to renewable energy is multifaceted, our Firm providing integrated services to clients, advising on all aspects of this market. Our team combines expertise in real estate and construction; planning and public law; financing and environment as well as contentious practices. We have executed some complex transactions at a fast pace and impeccably and overall, we know what are the strong and the weak points for the green energy projects and this is reflected in our drafting and negotiation techniques.

➤ Water, Sewerage and Waste

In the utilities sector, we have delivered with accuracy and efficiency major projects in related to water, sewerage and waste, including concession or BOT projects.



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➤ Mining

In mining we advised in regulatory and operation matters, including merger & acquisitions projects, financing and arbitration.