

DLA Piper tops Mergermarket 2020 M&A league tables



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For the fourth consecutive year, DLA Piper earned the top legal advisor ranking in the Nordics for overall M&A deal volume, according to *Mergermarket* 2020 league tables. The firm was involved in 155 deals in the Nordics in 2020, valued at close to USD10 billion. In Finland, during the fifth year of operations, DLA Piper continued improving their position ending up being ranked as number three legal advisor by deal count in 2020 with 22 deals.

DLA Piper's Partner and Head of Corporate in Finland, <u>Ilkka Liljeroos</u> comments:

"Our strong team of highly skilled and motivated professionals have worked incredibly hard during the exceptional times of the Covid-19 pandemic. 2020 has undoubtedly been a challenging year, and I am very proud that our team has consistently delivered quality and value to our clients. We highly appreciate the recognition, which would not have been possible without our clients continuously trusting us with their transactions and our dedicated colleagues across the firm contributing to our M&A work."

Some of the deals that contributed to DLA Piper's top ranking in 2020 in Finland included advising <u>PPG Industries</u> on the public tender offer for all shares in Tikkurila, advising <u>Digia</u> on its expansion and acquisition of Climber International and advising <u>Læringsverkstedet Gruppen AS</u> on its acquisition of Pilke päiväkodit.

Globally, DLA Piper achieved the number one ranking for overall deal volume for the 11th consecutive year in 2020, and in Europe, for the eight consecutive year. In addition to Finland, DLA Piper remains the highest ranked international law firm also in Denmark (number 1) and in Sweden (number 2). With the global platform and over 1000 M&A lawyers of which more than 120 transaction lawyers in the Nordic region, DLA Piper is perfectly positioned to support clients regardless where they do business.

Full Mergermarket 2020 report can be downloaded <u>here.</u>

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