

On the move

Italian firm NCTM has hired two new partners for its mergers and acquisitions and consultancy practice in Rome: Piero Corigliano joins from Ughi e Nunziante, and Annalisa Rossi from DLA Piper.

Elsewhere in Rome, Legance Studio Legale Associato has bolstered its project finance department with the appointment of Rosella Antonucci as counsel and three additional lawyers, Maria Teresa Solaro, Giovanni Scirocco and Antonio Gerlini.

German firm Noerr has appointed four partners across the firm: Martin Diesbach, Christian-Thomas Stemplfe, Wolfgang Schelling and Eckart Schleifenbaum.

Also in Germany, US-based international law firm McDermott Will & Emery has appointed Castren Böhm as a partner in its Munich office.

And Anglo-US firm DLA Piper has announced a major round of partnership appointments worldwide, including a large batch in Europe: Hendrik Bennebroek Gravenhorst and Helene Bogaard in Amsterdam, Damien Stas de Richelle in Brussels, Livia Constantinescu in Bucharest, Andras Nemescosoi in Budapest, Gunne Bahr in Cologne, Cesar Herrero in Madrid, Martin Pugsley in Milan, Feruz Fidaev and Yaroslav Moshennikov in Moscow, Marine Gicquel in Paris, Matteo Falcione and Marco Zechini in Rome, Otar Kipshidze in Tbilisi, and Patryk Laskorzynski and Marcin Matyka in Warsaw.

Spain-based global law firm Uría Menéndez has opened an office in Beijing, making it the first Iberian law firm to tackle the Chinese capital. Fellow Spanish practice Perez-Llorca has announced Guillermina Esta's appointment to the partnership; she is in the litigation and arbitration department at the firm's Madrid office.

SJVL, originally based in western France, has changed its name to Oratio Avocats and opened its first Paris office. Also in France, law firm FTPA has appointed Robert Crocos to its partnership. And French global giant Gide Loyrette Nouel has added four new partners, Matthieu Roy, Christopher Szostak and Christine Van Gallebart in Paris and Benoît Le Bret in Brussels.

Financing and restructuring niche practice Nabarro & Hinge has announced the arrival of two partners and the opening of an office in Luxembourg. Benjamin Dahan joins the partnership in Paris and Alexandrine Armstrong-Cerfontaine has begun work in the firm's new Luxembourg outpost.

New York-based global law firm Shearman & Sterling has added to its European partnership with the appointment of Martin Neuhaus in Dusseldorf, Mark McNeill in Paris, and Richard Kelly in London.

Five promotions at Finish firm Castrén & Snellman: Janne Lauha, Carola Lindholm and Anu Tuomola at the firm's Helsinki office, and Sergei Lee becomes the firm's first local partner in Russia.

Vienna-based law firm Schönherr has opened a communications, media and technology desk at its Bucharest office and recruited specialist broadcasting and digital media lawyer Adriana Radu as its head.

Washington-based global firm Steptoe & Johnson has appointed two lawyers to the firm's European partnership: Darren Abrahams in Brussels and David Lorello in London.

After a three-year term as managing partner of Austrian firm Cerha Hempel Spiegelfeld Hlawati, Albert Birkner's position has rotated. Edith Hlawati and Irene Welser have now jointly taken over management of the firm.

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