



## Ogier maintains tier one rankings in IFLR Directory

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The International Financial Law Review (IFLR) 2015 edition has ranked Ogier as a top tier firm for its Investment Funds and Corporate and Finance practices in Guernsey. Ogier Jersey was ranked as a tier one firm for its Corporate and Finance practice and as a tier two firm for Investment Funds.

The IFLR highlighted the firm's stand out deals for Guernsey as acting for Sherborne Investors Management in relation to the establishment of Sherborne Investors and its listing on the London AIM market, and advising EFG International on its 180 million Swiss Franc note issue. It reported that the firm remains the largest sponsor of listings on the Channel Islands Securities Exchange (CISE) and in the derivatives space continues to be the firm of choice in Guernsey for the International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA).

On the funds side in Guernsey Ogier was also recognised for advising DP Aircraft on the launch of a new investment vehicle which raised US\$113 million and for advising Resonance Asset Management on the successful launch of Resonance British Wind Energy Income fund.

Five lawyers from Ogier's Guernsey office were noted as being leaders in their fields of expertise - partners [Caroline Chan](#), [Frances Watson](#), [William Simpson](#) and consultant Nick Gamble, together with Managing Associate, [James Cooke](#), who was reported as a "rising star".

[Marcus Leese](#), Practice Partner of Ogier Guernsey, commented "Maintaining our top tier status in IFLR confirms we are operating at the highest level. We have completed numerous important and interesting transactions this past year in the corporate finance and investment funds fields which will have undoubtedly contributed to this latest success in the legal directories."

Ogier in Jersey received some good feedback from clients with one client saying: "Ogier provided a very responsive service and clear legal advice on the Jersey law finance raised during the transaction." Another commented "They always turn around requests for fee quotes quickly and appear very keen to work with us. Where there are cost restraints on a particular matter, they are sensitive to this and quote accordingly. They are proactive once the matter starts and have never caused us any issue. In a nutshell, they get the job done."

Highlight deals in Jersey include advising Cinven and Partnership Assurance on the latter's listing on the LSE, advising RBS in relation to CVC Capital Partners on its acquisition of a 75% stake in payment company Skrill. In the restructuring space Ogier Jersey and Guernsey acted on the £1 billion restructuring of the Biffa Group through a scheme of arrangement.

On the investment funds side Ogier Jersey advised Ashburton Investments on the restructuring of a number of Jersey recognised funds and the migration of two of the funds to Luxembourg via scheme of arrangement. It was also reported that with the opening of a Luxembourg office recently, Ogier Luxembourg has been utilised in structures involving both Channel Islands and Luxembourg advice. Ogier are the only firm to offer Guernsey, Jersey and Luxembourg legal advice, as well as BVI and Cayman legal services.

Jad Nader, Mike Lombardi, Chris Byrne, Marc Yates and Matthew Swan were all noted as leading individuals for Jersey

The IFLR is an annual guide to the world's leading financial and corporate law firms. It aims to provide clients of law firms throughout the world with easy-to-use rankings and profiles of the leading firms in each country organised by practice area, accompanied by analysis of the market trends and business environment. They base the rankings and analysis on law firm submissions, client interviews and their own extensive independent research.

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