

The Legal 500 – 2011 Edition

In its 2011 Edition, the Legal 500 is ranking our firm among the top law firms in the Luxembourg legal market. The position of KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES as one of the leading firms is once again confirmed in all major practice areas.

Within **Dispute Resolution**, our firm is ranked in the first tier; the editorial says:

KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES is commended for its 'industry knowledge', 'excellent quality' and 'to the point' advice and for its 'very proactive' approach. The firm has a particularly strong reputation in contentious insolvency matters. Marc Kleyr is a 'seasoned advisor with deep knowledge of the relevant law', and was previously the court appointed liquidator of the infamous BCCI. He has since been engaged in many of the highest profile cases resulting from the global financial crisis. François Collot is 'particularly reliable' and 'professional'."

For **Banking and Finance**, the editorial says:

"KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES is recommended for restructuring and insolvency work. It has had key roles on the Lehman Brothers' US chapter 11 proceedings and in relation to the financial distress of Iceland's Kaupthing Bank. The firm is 'responsive' and has 'profound knowledge of the banking sector'. Marc Kleyr is applauded for insolvency and restructuring work, while Rina Breininger has a 'strong commitment to understand and defend the position and specific needs of her clients'. Patrick Chantrain is recommended for structured finance."

For **Corporate and M&A**, the editorial says:

"KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES continues to demonstrate its leading credentials in the restructuring field. It recently worked alongside White & Case LLP on the restructuring of Wind Hellas Telecommunication's €1.8bn debt, amongst a number of other prominent deals. The firm's service is 'top rate' and 'excellent'. Patrick Chantrain ('excellent business acumen', 'knowledgeable', 'responsive'), Rina Breininger ('extremely competent', 'very responsive', 'conscientious', 'knowledgeable') and Marc Kleyr are recommended."

For **Employment**, the editorial says that our firm:

"made further headway in the employment environment by recruiting the renowned Christian Jungers ('very experienced', 'communicates in a clear and understandable manner') from Allen & Overy Luxembourg. The firm had already built a solid reputation for its advice on employment issues related to major corporate restructurings. In this regard François Collot has 'very good knowledge of the industry' and is 'dedicated to his client', 'very reactive' and 'proactive'."

For **Real Estate**, the editorial says that:

"KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES covers advisory, transactional and contentious work in the real estate sector. Notably, the firm has a particularly strong record in the litigation arena on behalf of construction companies. In recent years, the firm's growing corporate and finance practice has led to further acquisition and development instructions, including roles on high-profile projects in Belval and Kirchberg. Patrick Chantrain is recommended."

For **Insurance**, the editorial says:

"KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES has a fine reputation, most notably in the contentious environment. Clients highlight the skills of Rosario Grasso, who is an 'easy and friendly contact' who provides 'quick answers to questions and problems'. The firm represents many of the world's largest insurers."

For **IP and IT**, the editorial says:

"KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES handles a considerable amount of work in the IT and media sectors. It represents a number of digital media online retailers as well as major broadcasters. From time to time, the firm also acts for clients on IP issues."

For **Investment Funds**, the editorial says:

"KLEYR | GRASSO | ASSOCIES has a strong focus on private equity funds. In January 2010, the firm advised GSO Capital Partners on the launch of two new Luxembourg investment structures. The firm is also particularly active in relation to the restructuring of debt for private equity funds. Rina Breininger and Patrick Chantrain are the key names."