

2024 RESEARCH CALENDAR

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RESEARCH CYCLE I

Innovation, Technology and Intellectual Property

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Rankings Launch: May 2024

RESEARCH CYCLE I includes domains related to Innovation, Technology and Intellectual Property.

Please find below the corresponding practice areas for all countries that we cover for this specific campaign (dates and researched practice areas are subject to change).

The rankings for this research appear in our international guidebooks of "Innovation, Technology & Patents" and "Marketing, Brands, Trademarks & Copyright".

EUROPE

AUSTRIA

Law Firms & IP Agencies:
Patent Prosecution
Law Firms & IP Agencies:
Trademark Prosecution
Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Trademark

Litigation

BELGIUM

IP Agencies: Patent

Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Data Protection &

Cybersecurity

Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing Law Firms: Copyrights, Media

& Entertainment Law Firms: Fintech

Law Firms: Life Sciences (IP) Law Firms: Life Sciences

/D

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Not-for-Profits &

Foundations

Law Firms: Patent Litigation Law Firms: Trademark

Litigation

DENMARK

Law Firms & IP Agencies:
Patent Prosecution
Law Firms & IP Agencies:
Trademark Prosecution
Law Firms: Data Protection
Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

FINLAND

Law Firms & IP Agencies: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms & IP Agencies:

Trademark Prosecution
Law Firms: Patent Litigation

Law Firms: TMT

Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

GERMANY

IP Agencies: Patent Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Data Protection Law Firms: Healthcare &

Pharmaceuticals

Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing Law Firms: Media, Sports &

Entertainment

Law Firms: Patent Litigation Law Firms: Trademark Litigation Law Firms: Venture Capital

ICELAND

Law Firms: Intellectual Property

IRELAND

IP Agencies: IP Prosecution Law Firms: IP Litigation

ITALY

IP Agencies: Patent Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Advertising &

Marketing

Law Firms: Copyrights
Law Firms: Data Protection
Law Firms: Fashion Law
Law Firms: Healthcare &

Pharmaceuticals

Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing

Law Firms: Media &

Entertainment

Law Firms: Patent Litigation Law Firms: Sports Law Law Firms: Telecoms

Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

Innovation, Technology and Intellectual Property

LUXEMBOURG

IP Agencies: IP Prosecution Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: IT, Outsourcing &

Data Protection

NETHERLANDS

IP Agencies: Patent

Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Life Sciences Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing

NORWAY

Law Firms & IP Agencies for Patent Prosecution Law Firms & IP Agencies for Trademark Prosecution Law Firms for Patent Litigation Law Firms for Trademark Litigation

PORTUGAL

IP Agencies: Patent

Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Data Protection Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: Technology Law Firms: Telecoms

SPAIN

IP Agencies: Patent

Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Copyrights
Law Firms: Data Protection
Law Firms: Life Sciences
Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Technology

Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

SWEDEN

Law Firms & IP Agencies:
Patent Prosecution
Law Firms & IP Agencies:
Trademark Prosecution
Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

SWITZERLAND

IP Agencies: Patent

Prosecution

IP Agencies: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Copyright
Law Firms: Data Protection

Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing Law Firms: Life Sciences (IP) Law Firms: Life Sciences

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Patent Litigation Law Firms: Sports Law

Law Firms: TMT

Law Firms: Trademark Litigation Investment Banks: TMT M&A

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Law Firms & IP Agencies:

Law Firms & IP Agencies:

Patent Prosecution

Trademark Prosecution
Law Firms: Data Protection
Law Firms: IT & Telecoms
Law Firms: Life Sciences
Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

Investment Banks: Life

Sciences M&A

Investment Banks: TMT M&A

NORTH AMERICA

CANADA

Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing Law Firms: Patent Litigation Law Firms: Patent Prosecution Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

Investment Banks: TMT

MEXICO

Law Firms: Cannabis

Regulatory

Law Firms: Data Protection Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-

Counterfeiting

Law Firms: Innovation, Technology & Telecoms Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: Life Sciences

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Media & Entertainment

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

UNITED STATES

Law Firms: Copyright
Law Firms: Data Protection
Law Firms: Healthcare
Law Firms: IT & Outsourcing

Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Patent Prosecution
Law Firms: Life Sciences

Law Firms: Product Liability
(Pharmaceuticals)

(Pharmaceuticals)
Law Firms: Trademark

Litigation

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

Investigation Firms: Trademark Infringement Investment Banks: Life

Sciences

Investment Banks: TMT M&A

CENTRAL AMERICA

COSTA RICA

Law Firms: Intellectual

Property

NICARAGUA

Law Firms: Intellectual

Property

PANAMA

Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-Counterfeiting

Law Firms: Intellectual

Property

LATIN AMERICA

Communication Agencies: Marketing and Business Development for Lawyers

SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA

Law Firms: Advertising Law Law Firms: Data Protection Law Firms: Enforcement &

Anti-Counterfeiting

Innovation, Technology and Intellectual Property

Law Firms: Innovation, Technology & Telecoms Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: Life Sciences:

Regulatory

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

BRAZIL

Law Firms: Anti-Counterfeiting

Law Firms: Blockchain &

Cryptocurrency

Law Firms: Copyright

Law Firms: Data Protection

Law Firms: Fashion Law

Law Firms: Life Sciences

Law Firms: Media &

Entertainment

Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Sports Law

Law Firms: Startups &

Innovation

Law Firms: Technology

Law Firms:

Telecommunications

Law Firms: Trademark

Litigation

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

Law Firms: Venture Capital

Accelerators

Communication Agencies:

Corporate Communication

Consulting Firms: Environmental

Consulting Firms: Social

Responsibility

Headhunters: Tech Recruiters

HR Consulting Firms: Training

& Development

Legal Marketing Firms

LGPD Advisors

BOLIVIA

Law Firms: IP Litigation

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

CHILE

Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-

Counterfeiting

Law Firms: IP Litigation
Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Plant Varieties

Protection

Law Firms: Sports Law Law Firms: Technology

Law Firms:

Telecommunications Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

Startup Accelerators Recruitment Firms: IT

COLOMBIA

Law Firms: Data Protection

Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-

Counterfeiting

Law Firms: Innovation, Technology & Telecoms Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: Life Sciences

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Media &

Entertainment

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution Law Firms: Plant Varieties

Protection

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

ECUADOR

Law Firms: Data Protection

Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-

Counterfeiting

Law Firms: Innovation, Technology & Telecoms Law Firms: IP Litigation

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Plant Varieties

Protection

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

PERU

Law Firms: Advertising &

Marketing

Law Firms: Data Protection Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-

Counterfeiting

Law Firms: Fashion Law Law Firms: IP Litigation Law Firms: Life Sciences

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Patent Prosecution
Law Firms: Plant Varieties

Protection

Law Firms: Telecoms
Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

URUGUAY

Law Firms: Enforcement & Anti-

Counterfeiting

Law Firms: IP Litigation

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

ASIA

CHINA

Domestic Law Firms: Patent

Litigation

Domestic Law Firms: Patent

Prosecution

Domestic Law Firms: Trademark Prosecution

INDIA

Law Firms: Patent Prosecution

Law Firms: Trademark

Prosecution

JAPAN

Domestic Law Firms: Patent

Litigation

Domestic Law Firms: Patent

Prosecution

Domestic Law Firms: Trademark Prosecution Domestic Law Firms:

Technology

TURKEY

Law Firms & IP Agencies:

Patent Prosecution

Law Firms & IP Agencies: Trademark Prosecution

Law Firms: Patent Litigation
Law Firms: Trademark Litigation

RESEARCH CYCLE II

Transactions & Deals / Finance, Restructuring & Tax

Submissions Available: March 2024 Submissions Deadline: 28/06/2024 Rankings Launch: October 2024

Leaders League's research is divided into three annual campaign cycles which gather and analyze common practice areas as well as focus on different key issues.

RESEARCH CYCLE II includes domains related to transactional work and finance matters, such as M&A, corporate, tax, energy, banking, private equity, capital markets, wealth, and more. Please find below the corresponding practice areas for all countries that we cover for this specific campaign (dates and researched practice areas are subject to change).

The rankings for this research appear in our international guidebooks of "Transactions & Deals" and "Finance, Restructuring & Tax".

EUROPE

AUSTRIA

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Competition Law Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: M&A

Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

BELGIUM

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Capital Markets Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Transfer Pricing

Law Firms: Wealth Management

Consulting Firms: M&A Investment Banks: M&A Private Equity Firms Transfer Pricing Agencies

DENMARK

Law Firms: Banking and

Finance

Law Firms: M&A and Corporate Law

Consulting Firms: Small to

Mid-Cap M&A

Local Investment Banks:

Large-Cap M&A

FINLAND

Law Firms: Banking and

Finance

Law Firms: M&A and Corporate Law

GERMANY

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Regulatory

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Debt Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Equity Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Energy Law Firms: Fintech

Law Firms: Fund Structuring Law Firms: Insolvency

Law Firms: M&A (Large-Cap)
Law Firms: M&A (Mid-Cap)
Law Firms: Private Equity
Law Firms: Real Estate
Law Firms: Restructuring
Law Firms: Tax Litigation
Law Firms: Venture Capital

Law Firms: Wealth Management

Investment Banks: Large-cap

M&A

Investment Banks: Small to

Mid-Cap M&A
Private Equity Firms

ICELAND

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: M&A and Corporate Law

ITALY

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Competition

Advisorv

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Debt Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Equity Capital

Markets

Transactions & Deals / Finance, Restructuring & Tax

Law Firms: Fund Structuring Law Firms: M&A (Large Cap) Law Firms: M&A (Small to

Mid-Cap)

Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Public Law Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Wealth Management

Investment Banks: Large-Cap

M&A

Consulting Firms: Small to

Mid-Cap M&A

Private Equity Firms: Large-

Cap Transactions

Private Equity Firms: Small to

Mid-Cap Transactions

LUXEMBOURG

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Corporate/M&A Law Firms: Fund Structuring Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Tax Litigation Law Firms: Transfer Pricing

Law Firms: Wealth Management

Transfer Pricing Firms
Private Banks: Investment &

Custodian

NETHERLANDS

Law Firms: Antitrust &

Competition

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Debt Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Equity Capital

Markets

Law Firms: M&A

Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Investment Banks: M&A Private Equity Firms

NORWAY

Law Firms in Banking and

Finance

Law Firms in Corporate Tax

Law Firms in Energy

Law Firms in M&A and Corporate

Law

POLAND

Law Firms: Antitrust

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: M&A

Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

PORTUGAL

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Tax Law

SPAIN

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Advisory

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Regulatory

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Fund Structuring Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Project Finance Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Tax Law

SWEDEN

Law Firms: Banking and Finance Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: M&A and Corporate

Law

SWITZERLAND

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Capital Markets Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Corporate tax

Law Firms: Fintech

Law Firms: Fund Structuring Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Transfer Pricing

Law Firms: Wealth Management

Investment Banks: M&A Multi-family Offices: Wealth

Management

Private Banks: Wealth

Management

Private Equity Firms

Transaction Services Firms
Transfer Pricing Firms

Venture Capital Firms

UK

Law Firms: Acquisition

Finance

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Debt Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Equity Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Fund Formation Law Firms: M&A (Large-Cap) Law Firms: M&A (Mid-Cap) Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Private Equity

(LBOs Large Cap)

Law Firms: Private Equity

(LBOs Mid-Cap)

Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Venture Capital Investment Banks: M&A

(Industrials)

Investment Banks: M&A (Retail & Consumer Goods) Investment Banks: Private Equity Private Equity Firms:

Industrials

Private Equity Firms: LBOs
Private Equity Firms: Retail &

Consumer Goods

NORTH AMERICA

CANADA

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Capital Markets

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Fund Formation

Law Firms: M&A (Large-Cap) Law Firms: M&A (Small to

Mid-Cap)

Law Firms: Merger Control &

Antitrust

Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Project Finance Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Investment Banks: Energy Investment Banks: M&A Private Equity Firms

MEXICO

Law Firms: Agrarian Law

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Fintech

Law Firms: International Trade

Law Firms: Labor Law Firms: Major Tax

Litigation

Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Projects &

Infrastructure

Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Wealth

Management

International Investment

Banks: M&A

Local Investment Banks: M&A

UNITED STATES

Law Firms: Acquisition

Finance

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Debt Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Equity Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Fund Formation

Law Firms: M&A (Large Cap)
Law Firms: M&A (Small to Mid-

Cap)

Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Project Finance

(Lender-Side)

Law Firms: Project Finance

(Sponsor-Side)

Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Venture Capital

Activist Investor Funds

Consulting Firms: Restructuring Investment Banks: Energy M&A Investment Banks: Industrials

M&A

Investment Banks: Private Equity Investment Banks:

Restructuring

Investment Banks: Retail & Consumer Goods M&A
Private Equity Firms: LBOs
Proxy Solicitation Firms
Venture Capital Firms

CENTRAL AMERICA

COSTA RICA

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

GUATEMALA

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Corporate Tax

PANAMA

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Fintech Law Firms: Labor &

Employment

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Merger Control

Law Firms: Startups &

Innovation

Law Firms: Wealth Management

BRAZIL

International Law Firms:

Capital Markets

Law Firms: Agribusiness Law Firms: Aviation

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Banking & Finance

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Bankruptcy Law Firms: Capital Markets

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Corporate

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

(Large-Cap)

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

(Mid Cap)

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

(Small Cap)

Law Firms: Debt Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Environmental

Law

Law Firms: Equity Capital

Markets

Law Firms: Fund Structuring Law Firms: Government

Relations

Law Firms: International Trade Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Mining Law

Law Firms: Mining Law
Law Firms: Oil & Gas
Law Firms: Power Law
Law Firms: Private Equity

Law Firms: Projects & Infrastructure

Law Firms: Public Law Law Firms: Real Estate Law Firms: Shipping

Law Firms: Tax Advisory
Law Firms: Tax Litigation

Law Firms: Wealth Management

Law Firms: Business Law

(North) Law Firms:

Corporate/Commercial

(Center-West)
Law Firms:

Corporate/Commercial

(Northeast)
Law Firms:

Corporate/Commercial (South)

Transactions & Deals / Finance, Restructuring & Tax

Law Firms:

Corporate/Commercial

(Southeast)

Law Firms: Tax (Center-West)

Law Firms: Tax (Northeast)

Law Firms: Tax (South)

Law Firms: Tax (Southeast)

Consulting Firms: Transaction

Services

Consulting Firms: Outsourcing /

BPO

Consulting Firms: IPO Readiness

Consulting Firms: Tax Advisory

Consulting Firms: Audit

Consulting Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Consulting Firms: Financial

Translation

Headhunters: Finance &

Accounting

Headhunters: Human Resources

Headhunters: Legal

Independent Advisors: M&A Mid-

lower cap

Independent Advisors: M&A Mid-

upper cap

Investment Banks: DCM Investment Banks: ECM Investment Banks: M&A

Private Equity Funds

Real Estate Investment Funds:

Managers

Venture Capital Funds: Seed &

Early Stage

Venture Capital Funds: Series A

Venture Capital Funds: Series B

and On

Wealth Management: Family

Offices

Wealth Management: Private

Banks

BOLIVIA

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax Law Firms: Labor Law

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

CHILE

Law Firms: Antitrust & Merger

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Fintech

Law Firms: Labor & Employment

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

Law Firms: Project Finance Law Firms: Real Estate

Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Startups & Innovation

Law Firms: Wealth Management Auditing & Accounting Firms

International Investment Banks:

M&A

Local Investment Banks: M&A

Private Equity Funds Venture Capital Funds

COLOMBIA

Law Firms: Antitrust & Merger

Control

Law Firms: Aviation Law

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Labor & Employment

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Startups & Innovation Law Firms: Wealth Management

Auditing & Accounting Firms International Investment Banks:

M&A

Local Investment Banks: M&A

ECUADOR

Law Firms: Banking & Finance Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Labor & Employment

Law Firms: Mining Law Law Firms: Real Estate

PERU

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

(Regulatory)

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Fintech

Law Firms: Labor & Employment

Law Firms: Project Finance Law Firms: Real Estate

Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Tax Litigation Law Firms: Startups & Venture

Capital

Law Firms: Wealth

Management

Accounting Outsourcing Auditing & Accounting Firms

Consulting Firms: Transfer

Pricing

Consulting Firms: Wealth

Management

Investment Banks: M&A Private Equity Funds Venture Capital Funds

URUGUAY

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: Labor &

Employment

Law Firms: Corporate / M&A

Auditing & Accounting Firms

ASIA

CHINA

International Law Firms:

Banking & Finance

International Law Firms: Tax

International Law Firms: M&A International Law Firms: Merger

Control

International Law Firms: Private

International Law Firms:

Restructuring & Insolvency

INDIA

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Law Firms: Corporate Tax

Law Firms: M&A

Law Firms: Merger Control Law Firms: Private Equity Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Investment Banks: M&A

JAPAN

International Law Firms: Tax

International Law Firms: M&A International Law Firms: Merger

Control

International Law Firms:

Restructuring & Insolvency

RESEARCH CYCLE III

Dispute Resolution, Investigation & Competition and Labor Law

Submissions Available: September 2024

Submissions Deadline: 15/11/2024

Rankings Launch: February-March 2025

Leaders League's research is divided into three annual campaign cycles which gather and analyze common practice areas as well as focus on different key issues.

RESEARCH CYCLE III includes domains related to Dispute Resolution, Competition, Labor, Insurance, Investigations, or other related practice areas. Please find below the corresponding practice areas for all countries that we cover for this specific campaign (dates and researched practice areas are subject to change).

The rankings for this research appear in our international guidebooks of "Litigation, Arbitration & Labor" and "Investigations, Compliance & Insurance".

EUROPE

Litigation Funding

AUSTRIA

Law Firms: Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Competition

Litigation

Law Firms: Domestic Arbitration Law Firms: Insurance Law

Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Law

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

BELGIUM

Arbitrators

Law Firms: Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Competition

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Law Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Investigations &

White-Collar Crime Law Firms: Labor Law

DENMARK

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

Law Firms: Labor Law

Law Firms: EU & Competition

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Law

FINLAND

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution Law Firms: EU & Competition

Litigation

Law Firms: Labor Law

GERMANY

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation Law Firms: Competition Litigation Law Firms: Domestic Arbitration

Law Firms: Compliance &

Investigations

Law Firms: Insurance Law Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Law

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators

Arbitration Centers

ICELAND

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution Law Firms: EEA & Competition

Litigation

IRELAND

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

ITALY

Law Firms: Arbitration

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Litigation

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation

Law Firms: Competition Litigation

Law Firms: Compliance

Law Firms: Insurance Advisory Law Firms: Insurance Litigation

Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Advisory Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators: International Arbitrators: Domestic Payroll Services & HR

Consultancy

Expert Firms: Competition

Litigation

LUXEMBOURG

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Law Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Investigations &

White-Collar Crime
Law Firms: Labor Law

Dispute Resolution, Investigation & Competition and Labor Law

MONACO

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial Litigation Legal Advisors: Civil & Commercial Litigation

NETHERLANDS

Law Firms: Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Law Firms: International

Arbitration

NORWAY

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution Law Firms: Employment Law

Law Firms: EEA &
Competition Litigation
Law Firms: Insurance Law

POLAND

Law Firms: Labor Law

PORTUGAL

Law Firms: Civil and Commercial Litigation Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Law

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators

SPAIN

Law Firms: Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Compliance Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Advisory Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators

Expert Firms: Litigation
Support and Forensics &
Complex Investigations
Legal Recruitment Firms

Litigation Funds

SWEDEN

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution Law Firms: Employment Law Law Firms: EU & Competition

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Law

SWITZERLAND

Law Firms: Banking & Finance

Litigation

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation Law Firms: Competition Litigation Law Firms: Insurance Litigation Law Firms: Insurance Regulatory

Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Investigations &

Compliance

Law Firms: Labor Advisory Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators

UK

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation Law Firms: Insurance Litigation

(Insurers)

Law Firms: Insurance Litigation

(Policyholders)

Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Investigations & White-Collar Crime (Corporates) Law Firms: Investigations & White-Collar Crime (Individuals) Law Firms: Labor (Employers) Law Firms: Labor: (Managers)

Litigation Funders Arbitration Funders

CENTRAL AMERICA

COSTA RICA

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

Arbitrators

PANAMA

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

Arbitrators

LATIN AMERICA

Litigation Funding

SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA

Law Firms: Arbitration Law Firms: Bankruptcy

Litigation

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial Litigation

Law Firms: Competition Law &

Antitrust

Law Firms: Compliance &

Fraud

Law Firms: Insurance

Litigation

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators

Expert Firms: Forensic & Complex Investigations

BOLIVIA

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

BRAZIL

Law Firms: Antitrust

Investigations

Law Firms: Arbitration
Law Firms: Cartel Damage

Claims

Law Firms: Civil &
Commercial Litigation
Law Firms: Compliance
Law Firms: Consumer Law
Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

(Center-West)
Law Firms: Dispute
Resolution: (Northeast)
Law Firms: Dispute
Resolution: (South)
Law Firms: Dispute
Resolution: (Southeast)
Law Firms: Insurance &

Reinsurance

Law Firms: Labor Advisory Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: Large-Scale Consumer Litigation

Law Firms: Large-Scale Credit

Recovery

Law Firms: Large-Scale Labor

Litigation

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Dispute Resolution, Investigation & Competition and Labor Law

Litigation Support: Accounting Litigation Support: Economics Litigation Support: Engineering

Litigation Support: Environmental

Litigation Support: Forensics & Complex Investigations
Arbitration Centers

Arbitrators

Consulting Firms: Compliance Consulting Firms: Crisis

Communication

Consulting Firms: Global

Mobility

Consulting Firms: HR
Consulting Firms: Labor

Advisory

Consulting Firms: Real Estate

Valuation

Consulting Firms: Risk

Management

Headhunters: Engineering

Legal Opinions

Legal Translation Services

Litigation Funders

Mediators

CHILE

Law Firms: Administrative

Litigation

Law Firms: Antitrust Law Firms: Arbitration

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Competition Law Law Firms: Compliance

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

(Construction)

Law Firms: Environmental

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

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Arbitrators

Consulting Firms: Crisis

Communication

Expert Firms: Competition Litigation Support: Antitrust

Litigation

Litigation Support: Construction

& Engineering

Litigation Support: Economics Strategists: Dispute Resolution

Mediators

COLOMBIA

Law Firms: Arbitration

Law Firms: Competition & Antitrust

Law Firms: Compliance

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Litigation Law Firms: Shareholder Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitration Centers

Arbitrators

Expert Firms: Forensics & Complex Investigations

Litigation Support: Construction &

Engineering

Litigation Support: Economics

ECUADOR

Law Firms: Administrative

Litigation

Law Firms: Arbitration

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Competition & Antitrust

Law Firms: Compliance
Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitration Centers

Arbitrators Mediators

PERU

Law Firms: Administrative

Litigation

Law Firms: Arbitration

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Litigation Law Firms: Competition & Antitrust

Law Firms: Compliance

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution

(Construction)

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitration Centers

Arbitrators

Consulting Firms: Compliance

Consulting Firms: Crisis

Communication Legal Opinions

Litigation Support: Forensics &

Complex Investigations

Litigation Support: International

Firms

Litigation Support (Local Firms):

Construction & Engineering

Litigation Support (International Firms):

Construction & Engineering Litigation Support (Local

Firms): Financing & Economics

Litigation Support (International Firms): Financing & Economics

URUGUAY

Law Firms: Arbitration Law Firms: Bankruptcy

Litigation

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial Litigation Law Firms: Compliance

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitrators

Consulting Firms: Crisis

Communication

Expert Witnesses: Legal

Opinions

Legal Opinions: Labor

NORTH AMERICA

CANADA

Law Firms: Commercial

Litigation

Law Firms: Competition

Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance

Advisory

Law Firms: Insurance

Litigation

Law Firms: International

Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

MEXICO

Law Firms: Competition Antitrust & Investigations Law Firms: Administrative

Litigation

Law Firms: Arbitration Law Firms: Bankruptcy

Litigation

Law Firms: Civil & Commercial Litigation Law Firms: Compliance Law Firms: Insurance

Litigation

Dispute Resolution, Investigation & Competition and Labor Law

Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitration Centers

Arbitrators

Consulting Firms: Crisis

Communication

Expert Firms: Competition

Expert Firms: Litigation Support &

Expert Witnesses Litigation Support

Mediators

USA

Law Firms: Antitrust Litigation
Law Firms: Antitrust Litigation
Law Firms: Benefits, Executive
Compensation and Pension Plans
Law Firms: Commercial Litigation
Law Firms: Insurance Advisory
Law Firms: Insurance Litigation

(Insurers)

Law Firms: Insurance Litigation

(Policyholders)

Law Firms: Insurance Litigation

(Product Liability)

Law Firms: International Arbitration Law Firms: International Arbitration Law Firms: International Arbitration

(Investment)

Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: Restructuring &

Insolvency

Law Firms: Securities Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

Arbitration Funders

Expert Firms: Forensics &

Investigations Litigation Funders

ASIA

CHINA

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation Law Firms: Labor Litigation

Law Firms: International Arbitration

HONG KONG

Law Firms: International Arbitration

INDIA

Law Firms: Commercial Litigation

Law Firms: Insurance Law

Law Firms: International Arbitration

Law Firms: Labor Litigation Law Firms: White-Collar Crime

JAPAN

Law Firms: Labor Litigation

SINGAPORE

Law Firms: International Arbitration

TURKEY

Law Firms: Dispute Resolution



Our research process spans a four-month period for each research cycle. This includes collecting data in a three-month process, and an additional month to process the data and establish the rankings.

Leaders League rankings rely on four main data sources and various criteria to create or update a ranking.

1. Firms that apply for a ranking

Submission Forms: The firm can complete a submission form where detailed information is requested on the firm's performance in the last 12 months in the specific area being evaluated. The form requires the following information: 1. The top 10 cases in the last year; 2. The composition of the team (partners, associates); 3. Differentiation from competitors; 4. Clients and new business; 5. Significant changes in teams or staff; 6. A list of client referees with contact details.

The form is of utmost importance to our research: it provides firms with the opportunity to inform us why they should be ranked, justifying this by recapping their performance in that specific area over the last 12 months.

Interviews: We provide the opportunity for the firms to be interviewed by the editor in charge of the ranking. The meeting allows a further conversation about the firm's performance, strategy and the state of the market. It is a confidential interview that allows the firm to expand further on topics that might not be revealed in the submission form.

2. Client Feedback

We currently have a consolidated database that contains many of the leading legal and financial advisors, general counsels and CFOs in each country. They are contacted by Leaders League to give their feedback on the area we are researching. In addition to this database, we also contact all clients listed in the referee forms by firms that submit (removing any contacts duplicated from our database).

An important point to note is that **we do not contact clients on behalf of a specific firm** but, instead, on behalf of our own organization and research. This is because: 1. We do not want to "meddle" in your relationship with your client, and 2. We believe that the feedback we receive when contacting in this way is much more spontaneous, leaving the client much more at ease to comment on the firms he/she has worked with, elaborate on their experience and share praise or criticism.

3. Peer Feedback

In both the submission forms and the interviews, we ask that firms recommend and comment on peers in the market. We also collect their opinions on lawyers they have worked with in other jurisdictions.

It is important to note that by no means do we take as "truth" what peers say about each other, understanding that there is an intrinsic bias to this type of feedback.

4. Qualified third-party review

This is a source unique to Leaders League due to its positioning. As Leaders League ranks different service providers – law firms, audit firms, investment banks, expert witness firms and many others – we are in touch with all of them during the research. This enables us to collect the opinion of a wide range of professionals depending on the area of expertise we are assessing, who are neither clients nor competitors of the ranked firm.

For example, when researching the best law firms in M&A, we take feedback from investment banks into account; when we are researching the best expert witness firms for arbitration, we obtain input from arbitrators, lawyers representing clients, and other key parties. Our reach gives us a wide view of the market to strengthen the validity of our rankings.

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