

Press release

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Lefèvre Pelletier & associés appoints Nicolas Vanderchmitt as equity partner of the firm

Lefèvre Pelletier & associés continues its expansion in Asia with the election as equity partner from January 1st 2013 of Nicolas Vanderchmitt, who was previously local partner of the Hong Kong office.

Nicolas Vanderchmitt, 37 years old, is a French qualified lawyer based in Hong Kong specialized in corporate and commercial law. He mainly advises French and foreign groups on mergers and acquisitions and cross border private equity transactions. He also assists Asian companies in connection with their investments in France. Nicolas is secretary general and member of the executive committee of the French Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong.

Prior to joining Lefèvre Pelletier in 2008, Nicolas spent seven years in the Corporate / M&A Department of Franklin law firm in Paris.

Present in China since 1998, the firm has currently three offices: Hong Kong (1998), Guangzhou (2005) and Shanghai (2008). LPA's strong presence in these three cities makes it truly possible for its lawyers to assist clients all over China and guide them in a constantly changing and complex environment, either in setting up their business or in any phase of their development. The LPA team in China, lead by Paul-Emmanuel Benachi, consists of more than twenty lawyers and legal consultants with renowned expertise garnered from a long and intensive practice of business in China.





Lefèvre Pelletier & associés, Avocats (LPA), is currently one of the leading independent French business law firms.

With 120 lawyers and paralegals worldwide, including **27 partners**, LPA assists its French and foreign clients thanks to the expertise and the complementarity of its teams skills relating to business law, both in consulting and litigation.

Its service offer encompasses several essential areas of business life: mergers and acquisitions, real estate, banking and finance, litigation and arbitration, taxation, employment, insurance, wealth and asset management, public and administrative law and sustainable development.

The firm has implemented a proactive international development strategy, thanks to the opening of six overseas offices: Hong Kong (1998), Guangzhou (2005), Algiers (2007), Casablanca (2008), Shanghai (2008) and Frankfurt (2011).

Lefèvre Pelletier & associés, Avocats has also established close relations with partner firms in the world's main business centers.



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