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At Mayer Brown, it's in our nature to defy expectations—we reimagine, reinvent, and move beyond conventional approaches.

Mayer Brown is a global law firm uniquely positioned to advise the world's leading companies and financial institutions on their most complex deals and disputes.

We have over 1,800 lawyers worldwide. Our client include most of the Fortune 100, FTSE 100, DAX, CAC 40 and Hang Seng Index companies and most of the largest banks.

Our firm is one of the preeminent securities, finance and M&A firms in the world. We are noted for our commitment to client advocacy and our ability to solve the most demanding legal and business challenges worldwide.

We provide market-leading advice on a broad range of areas including capital markets, corporate, regulatory, tax issues,

as well as litigation & disputes, antitrust, intellectual property, cybersecurity and more.

“Mayer Brown’s international abilities are top-notch, given their presence and expertise in many countries and coordination between the offices.” *Chambers Global Client Feedback*

OUR DERIVATIVES & STRUCTURED PRODUCTS PRACTICES AT A GLANCE

MAYER BROWN IS AN INTEGRATED INTERNATIONAL FIRM. We have a prominent derivatives and structured products practice in the US and a strong presence in Europe and Asia. Unlike most law firms handling derivatives matters, we do not focus on just a single niche. We cover rates, F/X, equity derivatives, credit derivatives, commodities, and crypto—the full range of asset classes. Additionally, we provide transactional, regulatory, enforcement, and tax advice.

Our transactional practice covers all asset classes, and addresses tailored trades, issuer derivatives, monetization trades, insurance related trades, credit risk transfer transactions, margin loans structured as derivatives, and a range of other matters.

We are one of just a handful of law firms providing UK, European, US, and Asian regulatory advice working closely with clients, while especially advising on Dodd-Frank, MiFID and EMIR, EU Benchmark Regulation, and implementation of uncleared and initial margin reforms.

We remain the voice of the industry on issues involving economic sanctions and credit derivatives. We advise financial institutions on complex ISDA-related matters across the globe.

WE ARE THE ONLY INTERNATIONAL STRUCTURED PRODUCTS PLATFORM. We are a leader in structured products offerings in the United States, advising on over \$20 billion of structured notes by financial institutions in 2023. In Europe, we advise leading issuers of structured products from our London and Frankfurt offices. We work closely with our clients on developing proprietary indices, a significant area of innovation in the US market. We draft disclosures and risk factors to help investors understand indices.

Our team has counseled clients with respect to many new products, including “green” structured notes, “charitable” structured notes, and AI-based structured notes. We are also at the forefront of digital asset and cryptocurrency developments.

A DEMONSTRABLE RECORD OF SUCCESS

The *Chambers USA* nationwide rankings are some of the most highly regarded by those in our industry.



Chambers USA ranks our firm in 87 practice areas and ranks our lawyers in 147 categories with 32 of our lawyers achieving a Band One ranking or higher. **It's clear, Mayer Brown is a leading firm.**

A SIMILAR STORY IS TOLD BY THE OTHER LEADING RANKING DIRECTORIES



Firm ranked in 61 practice areas and 61 lawyers ranked.



Firm ranked in 12 practice areas and 79 lawyers ranked.

OTHER RECOGNITION INCLUDES



National Law Journal
“Trailblazers”



“Most Innovative Law Firms”

More than 20 lead partners recognized as global “Trailblazers” by the *National Law Journal*.

Ranked as one of the top 10 in the *Financial Times*’ “North America Innovative Lawyers.” Ranked among top 20 Most Digital Firms.

WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT OUR DERIVATIVES & STRUCTURED PRODUCTS PRACTICE...

“The firm has an extraordinary breadth of coverage and their market insight into market practice is exceptional.”
Chambers USA Client Feedback

“The firm advises on regulatory, transactional, investigatory and enforcement matters that may arise. It also assists clients on all tax aspects related to derivatives.” *The Legal 500 US*

“Mayer Brown LLP frequently provides regulatory advice to trade associations, asset managers and banks on issues concerning Dodd-Frank regulations, including the Volcker Rule.” *Chambers USA*

Mayer Brown offers **comprehensive legal advice and structured solutions** on all aspects of our clients' cross-border transactional, regulatory, and enforcement-related derivatives and structured products matters.

Our global practice has been recognized by the leading industry guides and ranking directories for its breadth, the caliber of our clients, and its innovative and business-minded approach.

Ranked by *Chambers Global* for Global: Multi-Jurisdictional: Capital Markets: Structured Finance, Securitisation & Derivatives.

Ranked by *Chambers Global* in the US, UK, Germany, Europe-wide, Asia-Pacific in its various derivatives, structured products, and structured finance categories.

Ranked by *Chambers USA* for Derivatives and Capital Markets: Structured Products (Nationwide)

Ranked by *Chambers UK* for London (Firms): Capital Markets: Derivatives.

Ranked by *Chambers Europe* for Capital Markets: Structured Finance Europe-wide and in Germany.

Ranked by the *IFLR1000* in the US, UK, Germany, France, Hong Kong, and other jurisdictions for its derivatives, structured products, and structured finance categories.

Ranked Tier 1 for Structured Finance: Derivatives & Structured Products by *The Legal 500 US*

Ranked by *The Legal 500 Deutschland* for Capital Markets: Structured Finance & Securitisation.

Ranked by *The Legal 500 UK* for Derivatives and Structured Products.

GlobalCapital

Recognized each year at the *GlobalCapital* Global Derivatives Awards. Named **Global Law Firm of the Year** in 2019. Named **Americas Law Firm of the Year** in 2024, 2023, 2022, 2019, and 2018. Named **US Law Firm of the Year** (Overall) in 2023 and 2022, US Law Firm of the Year (Transactions) in 2021 and 2020. Named **European Law Firm of the Year** in 2024 and European Law Firm of the Year (Transactional) in 2021, 2020, and 2018.



Awarded **Law Firm of the Year** by Structured Retail Products in 2023 & 2022.

“A full-service, global outfit which brings considerable transatlantic expertise to a broad spectrum of matters, particularly those relating to capital markets and financing.” *Chambers Global*

“Counting banks, broker-dealers, investment platforms and trade associations among its key roster of clients, Mayer Brown covers the full range of transactional and regulatory mandates in the derivatives and structured products arenas, and is complemented by a robust investigations and enforcement practice.” *The Legal 500 US*

FINANCIAL PRODUCTS TAX. We have a leading financial products tax practice and counsel on issues relating to derivatives & structured products taxation. We advise clients on a broad spectrum of financial products, which include structured products, hybrid securities, capital reshuffling, debt and equity offerings and other investment vehicles.

Products our tax and capital markets teams have helped innovate include structured and unstructured convertible securities; exchangeable, convertible and variable debt and preferred securities; resettable, puttable, auction-rate and DRD-preferred stock; on- and off-balance sheet special purpose issuance vehicles, conduit financing vehicles, and master trust funding vehicles; equity and credit derivatives products; Tier 1 and Tier 2 equity and debt securities; and structured notes, hedge fund-linked notes and other indexed securities.

“Together with its partners in continental Europe and Hong Kong, Mayer Brown is a truly global derivatives practice. As a result, it has a seat on most banks' panels of law firms.” *GlobalCapital Global Derivatives Awards*

BROKER-DEALER REGULATORY. Our Broker-Dealer Regulation & Compliance practice advises leading financial market participants in multiple jurisdictions on cutting-edge issues related to broker-dealer and securities regulation (e.g., SEC, State, FINRA/SROs, UK FCA), new products or services, capital markets, compliance and enforcement.

We work with market participants on some of the most complex compliance and regulatory issues covering all aspects of a broker-dealer's business and operations

FINANCIAL SERVICES REGULATORY. We work together with our distinguished financial services regulatory colleagues, providing our financial institution dealer-side clients with comprehensive advice on their matters.

Our counseling activities extend across to spectrum of financial services and business and product lines and involve, among other things: governance and oversight; structural and organizational requirements; domestic and international financial reporting and regulatory capital standards; corporate governance, regulatory applications and conflicts of interest; new product development; lending limits and quantitative activity standards; regulatory examinations and inspections; and insolvency/dissolution matters.