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Christine Le Bihan-Graf is a Regulatory, Public Law and Energy Law partner, and a member of the Firm's Private Capital Industry Group.

Christine advises a number of major industrial groups, investment funds, banking institutions and service operators in France and abroad, as well as the French State, local authorities and public companies, in both regulated economic sectors (energy, telecommunications, postal distribution, transport, etc.) and public services (water, waste, heating and cooling networks). She also led an Energy Transition practice, advising clients on the regulatory aspects of major energy transition projects and infrastructures, including renewable energy, energy storage and low-carbon hydrogen projects.

Christine, who previously held senior positions in the French Administration (Conseil d'Etat) and is a former Head of the French Energy Regulatory Commission (CRE), has recognized expertise in public law and regulatory law, with a particular emphasis on energy and environmental law.

Matters

Relevant Experience

- Advised Ardian Infrastructure Fund on the acquisition of AKUO Energy.
- Advised RATP in connection with various disputes brought by Alstom/Bombardier concerning the award and performance of the public procurement contract for the supply of RER trains, as well as the preparations for opening the operation of urban public transport services in the Greater Paris region to competition.
- Advised CDCF (Conseil du commerce de France), Périfem and UMIH (Union des métiers et des industries de l'hôtellerie) on an action for annulment, together with two applications for interim suspension, challenging the Decree of 9 May 2017 on energy performance improvement requirements for buildings and the "Valeurs Absolues I" Order of 20 November 2020.
- Advised EDF Trading and EDF in connection with REMIT enforcement proceedings initiated by CoRDiS against EDF and EDF Trading concerning events that occurred in 2017.
- Advised Enedis on tariff, concession and customer management service matters, as well as on the pricing and roll-out of Linky smart meters and measures to combat non-technical losses.
- Advised SNCF on the Voltaferro project, involving the installation of photovoltaic power generation facilities on land owned by SNCF Réseau.
- Advised GRTgaz on the BarMar project, an offshore gas pipeline between Barcelona, Spain, and Marseille, France.
- Advised AREVA on the transfer of facilities classified for environmental protection purposes (ICPEs) and basic nuclear installations (INBs) in connection with the sale of Areva NP.
- Advised the French State Investments Agency on EDF's acquisition of GE's Arabelle turbine business.
- Advised TotalEnergies on the acquisition from KKR of several combined-cycle gas turbine (CCGT) power plants and on the acquisition of two combined-cycle power plants owned by GazelEnergie.

- Advised Samsung on the acquisition of EDF's and TotalEnergies' interests in Dunkirk LNG.
- Advised EDF Invest, which holds an interest in Teréga Holding, in connection with the preparation of a legal due diligence report.
- Advised CNP Assurances and Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations on the opening of RTE's share capital to external investors.

Practices

European Regulation, Private Equity Transactions, Environmental, Mergers & Acquisitions

Industries

Private Capital, Real Assets, Private Equity, Financial Services, Technology, Media & Telecommunications, Asset Management

Market Solutions

Regulatory & Compliance, Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG)

Education

École nationale d'administration (ENA), Valmy class,

Admissions & Qualifications

Paris

Awards & Recognition

Chambers Global 2026 – Projects & Energy : Energy : Regulatory – Band 1
"Christine Le Bihan-Graf is a very experienced lawyer in the field of concessions and energy."
Legal 500 EMEA 2026 – Industry focus: Energy – Hall of fame
Legal 500 EMEA 2026 – Administrative and public law – Leading Parter

Languages

English, French