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Karim El-Borhami is a Private Equity M&A associate and a member of the Firm's Private Capital industry group.

Karim advises private equity sponsors, growth capital firms, companies and management teams across the full spectrum of corporate and private equity work. This includes mergers & acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, co-investments, consortium transactions, joint ventures and minority and growth investments.

Karim advises clients on domestic and cross-border transactions across a range of sectors in Europe and the Middle East, with a particular focus on the sports, financial services, technology and hospitality industries.

### **Matters**

#### **Representative matters include advising:**

- Oaktree Capital Management on its £200m majority investment in Close Brothers Asset Management, a wealth manager.

- Lee Equity on its majority investment in Shackleton, a wealth management consolidator.
- Ares on the financing of, and co-investment in, Eagle Football in connection with Eagle Football's acquisition of a controlling stake in Olympique Lyonnais Groupe SA and creation of a multi-club football platform with interests in Crystal Palace, Botafogo and RWD Molenbeek.
- Synova on:
  - its majority investment in Orbis Protect, a leading provider in the UK of dynamic security services.
  - its c. £180m majority investment in Synectics Solutions.
  - its exit from the InsurEvo group, a leading travel insurance MGA.
  - its exit from the JMG group, a leading insurance broker.
- Accor on:
  - the creation, structuring and implementation of the global Ennismore lifestyle hospitality joint venture with ESRA Hotels.
  - the c. €185m sale of a minority stake in Ennismore to a consortium of Qatari investors.
- Toscafund on its participation as lead investor in a \$45m Series B fundraising round for INSTANDA, an insurtech business focused on policy administration and distribution.

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#### Practices

Corporate/Transactional, Mergers & Acquisitions, Private Equity Transactions

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#### Industries

Asset Management, Hospitality, Gaming & Leisure, Financial Services, Private Equity, Private Capital, Sports, Technology, Media & Telecommunications

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#### Education

University of London, G.D.C.A.

First Class Honors

BPP University, LPC

With Distinction

Queen Mary University of London, LL.B.

Honors

Queen Mary University of London, B.A.

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**Admissions & Qualifications**

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United Kingdom

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**Awards & Recognition**

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