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Legal Practice Course, BPP University, 2015

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Zoe Cooper Sutton advises private equity sponsors, financial institutions and corporate borrowers in relation to a wide range of domestic and cross-border financing transactions across all tiers of the capital structure, with a focus on leveraged and acquisition finance, infrastructure finance, general corporate finance and restructurings.

Ms. Cooper Sutton's recent experience includes advising:

- **KONE Corporation** in connection with the financing for its pending combination with TK Elevator GmbH, a portfolio company of a consortium led by Advent International and Cinven, at a €29.4 billion enterprise value. This is the largest-ever acquisition by a strategic buyer from private equity in Europe to date and one of the region's largest takeovers in years
- **the special committee of independent directors of Adevinta ASA** in connection with the US\$13.2 billion bid to acquire Adevinta by a consortium led by funds advised by Permira and Blackstone, as well as General Atlantic and TCV
- **Adevinta ASA** in the financing of its US\$9.2 billion acquisition of eBay Classifieds Group from eBay Inc.
- **Blackstone** in connection with the financing for:
 - the establishment of a reinsurance syndicate at Lloyd's that will be a multiyear participant on AIG's outwards reinsurance program
 - the launch with The Fidelis Partnership (TFP) of Syndicate 2126 at Lloyd's, via London Bridge 2
 - the launch, with American International Group, Inc. (AIG) and Amwins, of Syndicate 2479 at Lloyd's, a novel structure involving a specialty distributor, insurer and Lloyd's syndicate backed with third-party capital
- **Blue Owl Digital Infrastructure Advisors** (formerly IPI Partners, LLC):
 - in connection with the financing of its acquisition of Safe Host SA, a leader in the Swiss data centre market
 - in several financings for the construction and fit-out of data centres across Italy, Switzerland and the Nordic region
- **Castik Capital** in connection with the financing of its acquisitions of:
 - Element Logic, as well as its subsequent leveraged recapitalisation
 - TBAuctions, as well as subsequent bolt-on acquisitions of Klaravik, Surplex, Medical Auctions, Auksjonen and PS Auction by TBAuctions
- **CVC Capital Partners** and its portfolio company, Cooper Consumer Health, in the acquisition of Viatris' over-the-counter business
- **EG Group** in its US\$2.8 billion sale of the majority of its Ireland and U.K. businesses to ASDA Group Limited
- **Empark**, a portfolio company of **Macquarie Asset Management**, in connection with its super senior revolving credit facility
- **Ferrero Group** in the financing of its acquisition of Fox's Biscuits Limited

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- **Global Auto Holdings Limited** in its US\$654 million take-private acquisition of Lookers plc
 - **H.I.G. Capital** in connection with the financings of its:
 - take-private acquisition of DX (Group) plc
 - acquisition of the heating and plumbing division of Travis Perkins PLC
 - acquisition of SHPEP Limited, trading under the Plumbworld brand
 - acquisition of the France Workwear business of Rentokil Initial
 - **Intact Financial Corporation** and its subsidiary, Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Limited, in the US\$648 million acquisition of the brokered commercial lines operations of Direct Line Insurance Group plc
 - **Janus Henderson Group PLC** regarding its revolving credit facility
 - **JDE Peet's N.V.** in the €6.5 billion refinancing of its existing indebtedness
 - **Key Safety Systems, Inc.** in the cross-border financing of its US\$1.6 billion acquisition of substantially all of the assets and operations of Takata Corporation as part of Takata's Chapter 11 case, secured by assets located in over 30 jurisdictions
 - **Optio Group Limited**, a portfolio company of Preservation Capital Partners, in the financing of its acquisitions of Circles Group. S.A. and Den Hartigh Beheer & Exploitatie B.V.
 - **Outokumpu** in connection with its €700 million sustainability-linked revolving credit facility
 - **SDC Capital Partners LLC** in connection with several data centre financings in Germany
 - **Silver Lake Partners** in numerous financings, including in connection with its acquisitions of:
 - Grupo BC, a leader in banking and property outsourcing services
 - Silae SAS, a cloud-based payroll and HR software specialist, as well as its subsequent leveraged recapitalisation
 - Groupe Meilleurtaux, a leading French online and mobile financial services provider
 - **Waypoint GP Limited** in its €730 million take-private acquisition of Stallergenes Greer plc