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Education

D.E.A., University of Paris II - Pantheon Assas, 2002

D.E.S.S., University of Nancy, 2001

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Publications

"French Authorities Release 2025 Annual Report and Update Guidelines on FDI Rules," *Skadden Publication*, October 3, 2025

"Le SQE : un nouvel outil pour dépasser le clivage dette/equity," *Option Finance*, March 25, 2024

"La lente émergence des SPACs français," *CFNews*, March 24, 2021

Guillaume Goubaux's practice focuses on corporate matters, including domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, and capital markets transactions. He represents French and international companies, financial institutions and investors. Mr. Goubaux's experience covers a broad range of sectors, including infrastructure, energy, real estate and financial institutions.

His experience includes representing:

- Spirit AeroSystems in the divestiture of certain assets and sites involved in the production of Airbus aerostructures to Airbus SE and subsequent merger with The Boeing Company, with the merger valuing Spirit AeroSystems at US\$4.7 billion
- Air France-KLM in connection with:
 - Apollo's investment of €1.5 billion into an *ad hoc* affiliate of Air France-KLM that operates the miles issuance activity of the Flying Blue loyalty program
 - Apollo's €500 million investment in 2023 into an operating affiliate of Air France that owns a pool of components dedicated to the airline's engineering and maintenance activities
 - its strategic global air cargo partnership with CMA CGM
 - Apollo's €500 million investment in 2022 into an affiliate of Air France that owns a pool of spare engines dedicated to the airline's engineering and maintenance activities
 - corporate and governance matters relating to its 2022 €2.256 billion capital increase with preferential subscription rights and the €4 billion recapitalization measures approved by the European Commission in April 2021
- LVMH in its strategic partnership with Accor regarding Orient Express
- Criteo S.A. in connection with its acquisition of shares and assets of the IPONWEB group
- Renault SA in its proposed but terminated €32.6 billion merger with Fiat Chrysler Automobiles
- Zayo Group Holdings, Inc. in its US\$1.4 billion sale of zColo, including certain U.S. and European data center assets, to DataBank, Ltd.
- Coty Inc. in its strategic partnership with KKR, including the carve-out sale of 60% of its professional beauty and retail hair businesses to KKR. This transaction was named Private Equity Deal of the Year for the Americas by *IFLR* at its Americas Awards
- SCOR SE in several transactions, including related to its successful defense against a €8.3 billion unsolicited takeover proposal from Covéa
- Cardinal Health, Inc. in the US\$1 billion sale of its Cordis business to Hellman & Friedman, LLC

Mr. Goubaux joined Skadden's Paris office as counsel after having previously worked for 15 years at another international law firm.