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The cross-border WFW Maritime team advising Trinity and Deutsche Bank was led by London Partner Richard Dibble, supported by Associate Charlotte Knight and working closely with Partner Furio Samela, Senior Associate Michele Autuori and Associate Beatrice D'Amato in the firm's Milan and Rome offices.

Richard commented: "This was a complicated and multi-faceted transaction and we're delighted to have been able to bring our unrivalled maritime sector expertise and experience to bear in both London and Italy to help Trinity and Deutsche Bank implement the restructuring and achieve their desired outcome".

BonelliErde advised Trinity and Deutsche Bank on the Italian bankruptcy aspects of the deal, while Ashurst Milan, Studio Sandulli and Studio Castaldo represented the other parties to the restructuring agreement.

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