

## WFW EXPANDS HANOI OFFICE AS MATT LORIMER REJOINS FIRM AS PARTNER

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Watson Farley & Williams (“WFW”) is delighted to announce that banking and finance specialist Matt Lorimer has re-joined the firm in Hanoi as a Partner after two years as a Senior Associate with Allen & Overy in Singapore. Matt was previously a Senior Associate in WFW’s Hong Kong Office for two years, during which time he was actively involved in Vietnam matters. Prior to that Matt was Counsel at Herbert Smith Freehills in Moscow and London, where he spent eleven years following qualification.

Matt specialises in a broad range of finance transactions, including project finance, acquisition finance, ECA-backed finance, and commodity finance. He has a focus on energy-related transactions, especially in emerging markets, and has advised on some of the largest and most complex finance transactions in South East Asia.

WFW Hanoi Head [Linh Doan](#) commented: “I am delighted to welcome Matt back to the firm and to our Hanoi office, where we will now have two partners for the first time. He brings with him a wealth of finance and energy expertise and impressive relationships with international banks in Singapore and Hong Kong, making him the ideal addition to our Vietnam practice. Vietnam is a very significant market, particularly in the energy sector, and Matt’s arrival highlights WFW’s commitment to its booming market”.

Matt added: “It’s great to be re-joining WFW, especially in the firm’s newest office in Hanoi, and all my old colleagues. I’m particularly excited by the opportunity to work alongside Linh, indisputably one of Vietnam’s most highly regarded lawyers, and to help further expand the firm’s practice and reputation in this fast developing country”.

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