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AUGUST DEBOUZY STRENGTHENS ITS BANKING AND FINANCIAL REGULATORY EXPERTISE WITH THE ARRIVAL OF LOUIS DEGEORGES AS COUNSEL

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August Debouzy is pleased to announce the arrival of Louis Degeorges as Counsel. His extensive expertise in banking regulation, financial services and fintech will support all of the firm's practices and teams through a fully integrated approach, consistent with the firm's full-service model.

A member of the Paris Bar, Louis Degeorges has been advising banks, financial institutions, asset management companies, insurance companies and fintechs for more than ten years on complex regulatory matters.

His practice notably covers:

- regulatory issues relating to strategic transactions in the financial sector (M&A and private equity),
- the rules governing the provision of banking and financial services and regulated activities,
- dealings with supervisory authorities (AMF, ACPR and ECB), particularly in connection with inspections, investigations and disciplinary proceedings,
- compliance matters, especially antimoney laundering and counter-terrorist financing (AML/CTF),
- as well as the transformation of the sector driven by the digitalization of financial services (fintech, digital assets including the digital euro, blockchain and PSD2/PSD3).

He has been involved in several high-profile transactions in the banking and financial sectors, as well as in sensitive regulatory matters, notably in connection with the disposal of HSBC's retail banking operations in France and disciplinary proceedings before the ACPR. He also advises leading banking groups on the impact of regulatory developments on their businesses and operating models.

At the crossroads of transactional, regulatory and innovation matters, his profile responds to growing client demand for integrated approaches to these issues. He also advises key players in the Moroccan financial sector, contributing to the firm's international development in these areas.

"We are positioning ourselves in a space where client expectations are evolving rapidly: financial regulation has become increasingly technical, strategic and cross-disciplinary. Louis' profile enables us to address these challenges through an approach that combines legal expertise, understanding of transactions and insight into market dynamics," said **Mahasti Razavi**, Managing Partner.

"Joining August Debouzy was an obvious choice for me: it is one of the few independent firms in the market combining ambition, agility and a multidisciplinary approach, with a genuine commitment to building a cross-practice banking and financial regulatory capability for the benefit of all its teams. At a time when the financial sector is undergoing profound transformation and companies face an increasingly complex risk landscape, this is the ideal environment to provide long-term, practical support to financial institutions, fintechs and investors navigating between the pursuit of innovation and compliance obligations," added **Louis Degeorges**.

Biography





Louis Degeorges graduated from the Magistère de Juriste d’Affaires Européen (University of Nancy II, 2012), ESSEC Business School (2013), and holds an LL.M. in International Financial Law from King’s College London (2014). He also obtained the CRFPA qualification from Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne University in 2014 and has been a member of the Paris Bar since 2016.

He previously practiced within leading international law firms (Linklaters and Freshfields) as well as major financial institutions (BNP Paribas CIB and Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations).

Recognized by Best Lawyers 2026 (“Ones to Watch – Banking and Finance”), he advises French and international clients on a broad range of regulatory matters, including licensing, changes of control and business transfers.
