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Chris Field advises clients on a broad range of domestic and international private equity and corporate matters, including acquisitions, disposals, equity investments, initial public offerings (IPOs) and other equity capital markets transactions, as well as take privates and public M&A transactions. He has developed particular expertise in multi-jurisdictional corporate carve-outs. Mr. Field also advises clients in relation to **Brexit** planning.

Mr. Field is a guest lecturer on private equity at the London Business School, has worked extensively on the training and mentoring of young lawyers and has been involved with Impetus - The Private Equity Foundation and its charities on various venture philanthropy matters, including being the recipient of their Transforming Lives pro bono award.

Prior to joining Dechert, Mr. Field served for 11 years as a partner in the corporate group at Kirkland & Ellis.

Publications

Contributing Editor – *International Comparative Legal Guide (ICLG) to Private Equity* (2019)

EXPERIENCE

- **GIC** in the proposed US\$27 billion sale of Refinitiv by a consortium (consisting of Blackstone, an affiliate of GIC, Canada Pension Plan Investment Board and Thomson Reuters) to London Stock Exchange Group plc.
- **AGC Equity Partners** on its sale of 25 Canada Square (the Citi Tower, Canary Wharf).
- **Mid Europa Partners** on the acquisition of Mlinar, a leading bakery retail and wholesale business in Croatia.
- **Further Global**, on the £100 million take-private of GBGI The Global Benefits Group.
- **Coveris Holdings S.A.** (a portfolio company of Sun Capital Partners), on a €700 million sale of its Global Rigid packaging business to Lindsay Goldberg LLC.
- **Sun European Partners and other shareholders** on the US\$1.5 billion sale of Albéa S.A. to PAI Partners.
- **Sun European Partners** on its acquisition of NextPharma from DLJ Merchant Banking Partners, and its sale of NextPharma to CapVest.
- **Anchorage Capital Management** and other consortium members on the €3.3 billion sale of OfficeFirst to Blackstone.
- **Accel-KKR** on its acquisition of Smart Communications.
- **MidOcean Partners** on its US\$1.56 billion sale of Penton to Informa plc.
- **Pollen Street Capital** on its sale of Erno Laszlo to CITIC Group.
- **Baxalta Inc.** on its US\$32 billion merger with Shire PLC.
- **Sun European Partners** on its acquisition of Finlays Horticulture from John Swire & Sons.
- **Victory Park Capital** on the IPO of VPC Specialty Lending Investments PLC on the London Stock Exchange.
- **Sycamore Partners** on its sale of Kurt Geiger to Cinven.
- **Tetragon Financial Group Limited** on its acquisition of Equitix from Cabot Square Capital.
- **Real Consulting** on the takeover of Incadea plc by DealerTrack Holdings, Inc.
- **Veronis Suhler Stevenson** and **Trilantic Partners** on their sale of Clarion Events to Providence Equity Partners.
- **Sun European Partners** on its €400 million disposal of DBApparel to Hanesbrands Inc.
- **Sun European Partners** on its acquisition of Robertshaw (formerly Invensys Appliance division) from Schneider Electric SE.
- **Sun Capital** on the formation of Coveris, the world's sixth largest plastic packaging company.
- **Sun European Partners** on its acquisition of the assets and business of Dreams plc by way of pre-pack administration.
- **3G Capital** on the London listing of Burger King via its part sale of the London listed cash shell, Justice Holdings Limited.
- **Albéa**, a global cosmetics packaging company, on its US\$459 million acquisition of Rexam plc's personal care, cosmetics division.
- **Abry Partners** on its £715 million sale of Sentrum to Digital Realty Trust, Inc.
- **Sun Capital Partners** on its acquisition of Dutch clothing brand, Scotch & Soda.
- **Vestar Capital** on the £382 million IPO of AZ Electronic Materials on the London Stock Exchange.
- **Sun European Partners** on its acquisition of the Alcan Beauty Packaging business from Rio Tinto plc.

- **Golden Gate Capital** on the disposal of its investment in London listed software company , Micro Focus International plc by way of various block trades.
- **Cartesian Capital Group** on its investment in AIM-traded SPAC, Cross Shore Acquisition Corporation as part of that company's acquisition of Research Pharmaceutical Services Inc.
- **Bain Capital** on its US\$3.5 billion take-private of retailer Edgars Consolidated Stores Limited.
- **Providence Equity Partners** on the £1.46 billion acquisition of the 'Phones 4U' retailer, Caudwell Holdings Limited.
- **Evolve India Holdings Plc** on its US\$65 million institutional placing and admission to the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange.
- **Golden Gate Capital** and **Extensity Sarl** on the £232 million take-private of a UK software company.

Includes matters handled at Dechert or prior to joining the firm.

EDUCATION

- University of KwaZulu-Natal, B.A. (Hons), 1992
- University of KwaZulu-Natal, LL.B., 1994
- The University of Nottingham, LL.M., International Commercial Law, 1996, Distinction

ADMISSIONS

- England and Wales
- South Africa

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- **Markets Group - Private Equity Europe Forum 2019** — London, (September 5, 2019)
- **International Private Equity** — Wharton Private Equity & Venture Capital 2018 Conference - New York, NY (March 16, 2018)