

Issues in Cross-Border M&A and Joint Venture Transactions

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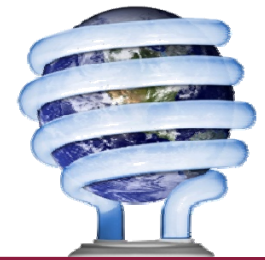
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Please give a brief overview of the M&A market in the energy sector in your jurisdiction in the past year.

- Has it been active?
- Where are the deals/opportunities?

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What are the main means of obtaining control of a company/assets in your jurisdiction?

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What, if any, are the most significant regulatory hurdles in doing an acquisition or joint venture in your jurisdiction?

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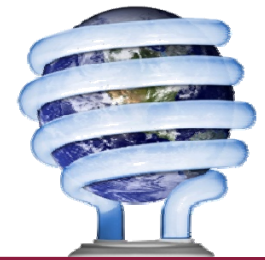
What are the most important areas to cover in due diligence of an entity in your jurisdiction that are most often overlooked by outside acquirors?

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What are the most common deal protection mechanisms in your jurisdiction?

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Please explain the likely timetable for an acquisition or joint venture in your jurisdiction.

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