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Financial Restructuring France

Changing preferences, regulatory developments, economic volatility and shifting political winds can impact the fortunes of an enterprise, an investment or an asset at any time. Goodwin's sophisticated and full-service Financial Restructuring and Insolvency practice is well-equipped to help clients with the most complex high-profile restructuring and distressed opportunities. Our dedicated team works across jurisdictions with international and domestic investors, debtors, directors, sponsors, financial institutions and insolvency practitioners.

Serving Your Industry

We offer a deep bench that is capable of handling a myriad of matters, including:

- Amicable proceedings (mandate ad hoc and conciliation proceedings)
- Insolvency proceedings (safeguard, accelerated safeguard, reorganization and judicial liquidation proceedings)
- Corporate reorganization, debt rescheduling/restructuring, debt/equity swap
- Sale of non-core subsidiaries in a secured environment
- Acquisition of business from distressed companies (pre-pack asset plan, acquisition of business as a whole)
- Assisting directors in the context of liability for mismanagement
- Cross-border restructuring, multi-jurisdictional proceedings

Leading at Every Level

- **Legal 500:** Team ranked Tier 3 in Insolvency for EMEA, 2022

Céline Domenget-Morin ranked as Leading Individual in Insolvency for EMEA, 2022

- **Décideurs (Leaders League):** Top ranked in Restructuring & insolvency — LBO transactions in difficulty, in Restructuring & insolvency — Advising banks and creditors, and in Restructuring & insolvency — Advising large-cap companies and their shareholders, 2022
- **Best Lawyers®:** Céline Domenget-Morin recognized for Insolvency and Reorganization Law in France, 2023
- **Chambers Europe:** Céline Domenget-Morin ranked in Band 3 in Restructuring/Insolvency in France, 2022

Representing Your Interests

- Counseled a **pool of French banks** in the financial restructuring of the existing indebtedness of Pierre & Vacances, a European resort group that develops and manages tourist residences, with conversion of EUR 555 million of debt into equity, implemented in the framework of an accelerated safeguard proceeding. It is the first conversion of a French state-backed loan into equity (2021–2022).
- Counseled **Stellantis**, one of the world's leading automakers and a mobility provider, in the negotiations with GEFCO in the context of the end of the exclusivity benefiting GEFCO since 2012 on the logistics services of Peugeot/Citroen/Ford and the sale of its remaining stake in GEFCO S.A. to the CMA CGM Group (2021–2022).
- Counseled a **pool of French banks** in the financial restructuring of Figeac Aero, a major subcontractor in the aeronautics industry, in the context of the equity investment by Tikehau Ace Capital (2022).
- Counseled **BNP Paribas, Natixis, and BFCM** in the financial restructuring of the Vallourec group (€3.7bn of debt), a world leader in premium tubular solutions, in the framework of safeguard proceedings (2020–2021).
- Counseled **Tikehau Ace Capital** in the acquisition of a majority stake in Groupe Rossi Aéro, a tier-1 supplier of speedshop, serial manufacturing and MRO services to the global aerospace industry and in the financial restructuring of the group (2021).
- Counseled **Ares Management Europe** and **Five Arrows** in the financial restructuring of Fitness Park, a top fitness club in France (2021).
- Counseled **Teollisuuden Voima Oyj (TVO)**, a Finnish electricity producer, in the negotiations of the OL3 EPR project 2018 Global Settlement Agreement and its amendments with the plant supplier consortium companies to secure the financing of the project (2016–2022).
- Counseled **Ace Capital Partners** in the financial restructuring of the Mecachrome group, the European leader in the design, engineering, machining and assembly of high-precision parts and assemblies for the aerospace, automotive, motor sport, defense and energy industries (2020).
- Counseled **Mr. Bricolage**, a listed French DIY retailer, in the implementation of the turnaround of its business and on its restructuring (2019).

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