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Biography

Arun Velusami is a partner in the firm's Infrastructure, Energy, Resources and Projects team. Arun has advised governments, developers and lenders in a variety of energy projects with a particular focus on power projects in Africa.

These include renewable energy projects (solar, wind, biomass, geothermal), thermal projects (fuel oil, gas and coal) and hydro-power projects. He also has experience of cross border power trading arrangements and captive power generation projects.

Representative experience

Kpone IPP, Ghana – advising a private equity fund in relation to the power purchase and fuel supply arrangements for a 340MW power project in Ghana.

Athi River Power Plant, Kenya – advising lenders to this 80 MW IPP, including conducting due diligence in relation to the project and construction agreements.

MASEN, Morocco – advising on Phases 1, 2 and 3 of the Moroccan Government's Solar Plant, in Ouarzazate, Morocco.

Coal fired power plant, Mozambique - advising sponsors in relation to the structuring, power purchase agreement and coal supply aspects of a 150MW coal (CFB) power station.



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Languages

English

Practices

Infrastructure, Energy, Resources, and Projects

Areas of focus

Construction, Engineering, and Projects

Education and admissions

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Azura-Edo IPP, Nigeria – advising an equity investor in relation to 450MW Azura power project.

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Eko Disco Privatisation, Nigeria – advising West Power and Gas in relation to its successful bid for Eko Disco.

Makeni Bioethanol and Power project, Sierra Leone –advising a consortium of DFIs on the financing and construction aspects of an ethanol plant and combined heat and power project.

Mbeya Power Project, Tanzania – advising a developer in relation to the development, construction and financing of a coal fired power project.

CEC power trading, Zambia and DRC – advising CEC in relation to the sale of power from Zambia to mines in the DRC, involving SNEL's transmission and distribution network.

Mine power purchase, Zambia and DRC – advising a mine in relation to its power purchase and wheeling arrangements.

Awards and rankings

- Projects and Energy (Africa-wide), *Chambers Global*, 2018-2020
- Foreign Expert for Nigeria, *Chambers Global*, 2018
- Projects (Foreign Expertise) UK, *Chambers Global*, 2018, 2020

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - Her Excellency Ellen Johnson Sirleaf makes impassioned speech at Hogan Lovells seventh Africa Forum
- Events
 - Africa Forum 2020

LPC, The University of Law, 1997

LL.B., London School of Economics, 1996

Bar admissions and qualifications

Solicitor, England and Wales

- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - A Comparative Guide: Impact of COVID-19 on the Infrastructure and Energy Sector
- Published Works
 - Special Report on investment in Africa *African Law & Business*
- Events
 - Africa Forum London 2019
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Growing our German Africa Practice