

Roads Infrastructure Europe

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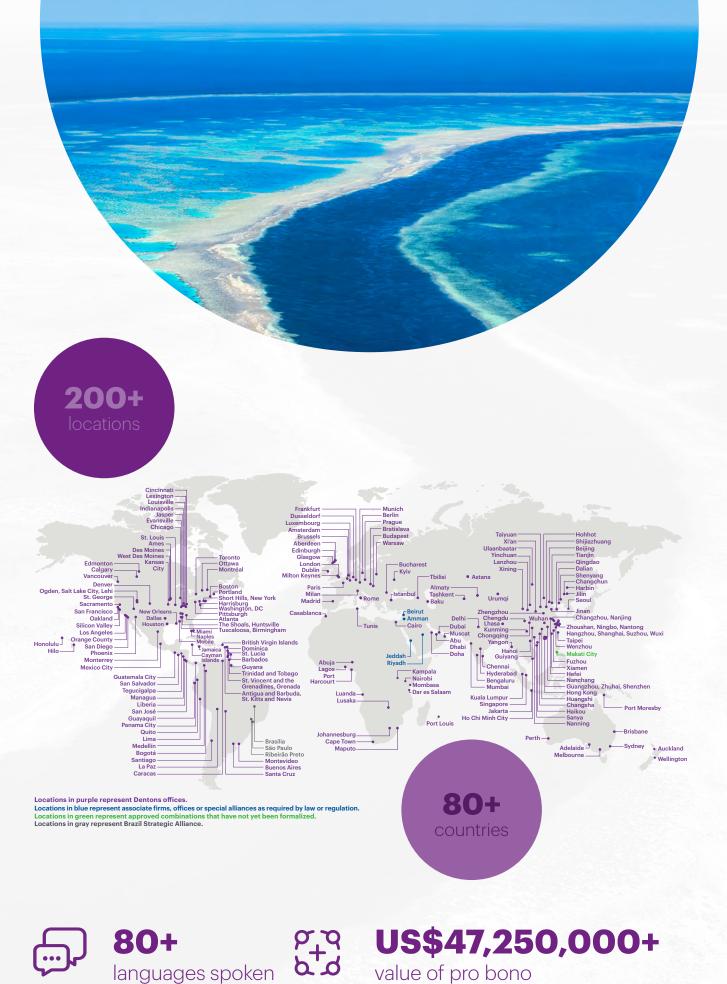
Dentons - Global law firm

Dentons is the world's largest law firm, delivering quality and value to clients around the globe. Dentons is a leader on the Acritas Global Elite Brand Index, a BTI Client Service 30 Award winner and recognized by prominent business and legal publications for its innovations in client service, including founding Nextlaw Labs and the Nextlaw Global Referral Network. Dentons' polycentric approach and world-class talent challenge the status quo to advance client interests in the communities in which we live and work.

You have truly global coverage and you need lawyers who can match your global footprint. Dentons delivers this. We use global thinking and knowledge to deliver local benefits and can help you tie your legal teams together through the work we do together.

In Europe, we can support you in:





value of pro bono and volunteer work

Why we stand out



Quality

We are polycentric: Dentons has no single headquarters and no dominant national culture. We proudly offer clients talent from diverse backgrounds and countries with deep experience in every legal tradition in the world.

We offer business solutions: Rather than offering theoretical legal analysis, we provide the specific advice required to get a deal done, resolve a dispute or solve a business challenge.

We measure our success by the service we provide: Regardless of the scale and scope of your business needs, you get the individual attention you need and deserve. Whether the matter is big or small, if it is important to you, then it is important to us.

Dentons' Roads and Highways capabilities

Dentons is particularly well-positioned to assist with transportation matters, due to our broad geographical reach, large number of specialist lawyers in the many related legal disciplines, and local expertise in the markets that drive the industry. Not only are we familiar with the legal framework and the private and public sponsors, but we also monitor legal and political developments fostering sustainable transport and public investment plans.

In Europe, our unique integrated team combined with our cross-practice legal expertise (in particular, public law, banking and finance, real estate and procurement) lets us advise on complex projects. We are skilled in working on complex concessions, PPP and privatization schemes in Europe, and have developed a strong roads and highways practice. Since we represent contracting authorities, sponsors and lenders, you will receive counsel that understands the needs and wishes of each party. On the side of the French Ministry of Transport, we are currently advising them on the award of three major highway concession contracts, totaling nearly €2 billion. We also successfully closed the Istanbul Bosphorus Third Bridge/Northern Marmara Motorway PPP. In addition, Dentons is advising on the €975 million D4 Highway in Czech Republic using a PPP model. We know precisely where the market and lenders sit on this type of project, and you can benefit from our knowledge in that regard.

You want specialists with road expertise, access to an experienced multijurisdictional team, and experts on the ground in the places you do business. Working with Dentons, you get all the skills our lawyers have developed representing road developers, lessors, financiers, insurers and regulatory bodies. Therefore, wherever you fit within the transportation industry, Dentons can help.

Our success is yours

Chambers

Chambers Europe, 2023

- Band 1, Projects & Energy, Central & Eastern Europe
- Band 1, Projects & Energy, Czech Republic
- Band 1, Public Law, France
- Band 1, Public Procurement, Poland
- Band 2. Public Law: Public Procurement/PPP. Germany
- Band 2, Projects & Energy, Hungary
- Band 2, Projects & Infrastructure, Poland

Legalcommunity Energy Awards 2023

Law Firm of the Year Infrastructures

- "Dentons goes above and beyond the expectations of a developer company client. They also focus on details, business risks and the technical background."
- Chambers Europe 2023, Projects & Energy, CEE

"They have a strong ability to handle complex and sophisticated matters."

- Chambers Europe 2023, Projects & Infrastructure, Poland

Chambers UK, 2023

- Band 1, Construction, Thames Valley
- Band 2, Infrastructure: PFI/PPP, UK-wide

The Lawyer Awards

Energy & Infrastructure Team of the Year 2022

"The Dentons team are very commercially aware and, given their wealth of experience, there aren't many situations they have not encountered previously."

– Chambers UK 2023, Construction, Thames Valley

"Dentons is understanding of our business and commercial needs when reviewing and providing either an opinion or contract documents."

- Chambers UK 2023, Infrastructure: PFI/PPP, UK-wide





The Legal 500 Europe, 2023

- Tier 1, Construction, Poland
- Tier 1, Projects and energy, Czech Republic and Hungary
- Tier 1, Real estate and construction, Czech Republic, Italy, Luxembourg, Hungary and Slovakia
- Tier 1, Administrative and public law, France
- Tier 1, Real estate and construction (and projects), Georgia and Kazakhstan
- Tier 1, Public procurement, Poland and Germany
- Tier 2, Real estate and construction, Romania, Turkey and Ukraine
- Tier 2, Project finance and PFI, Netherlands

The Legal 500 UK, 2023

- Tier 2, Infrastructure, London
- Tier 2, Projects, Scotland
- Tier 2, Construction, South East

'The Dentons team are always understanding of our particular business deliverables and market, working in collaboration with company directors and our key management teams'.

 The Legal 500 UK 2023, Infrastructure, London

Representative Europe experience

Collectivité Européenne d'Alsace (French

regional entity): Advising CEA on the design and implementation of a tolling project regarding heavy goods vehicles. We have assisted the CEA in drafting the legal framework and are now advising the CEA in the bidding process to select the operators which will implement the tolling system.

French Ministry of Transport: Advising on various recent awards of concession projects, including:

- Toulouse-Castres highway project in southwest France under PPP model, with an estimated CAPEX of €450 million. The works are expected to start in 2023.
- Machilly-Thonon-les-bains toll highway project in Savoy, with an estimated CAPEX of €200 million. The concession contract is expected to be signed in 2022.
- Rouen toll road project, a 41.5 kilometre motorway to bypass Rouen from the east from 2024, with an estimated investment of €1 billion.
- The 100-km highway concession road (A154) between Dreux, Chartres and Orléans.
 With an estimated investment of €800 million, the project was launched in 2022.
- RCEA road, which is a part of the European Route E62, with an investment of €550 million. Contract signed in 2020.

Government transportation agency in the Aquitaine Region: Advising on a highway concession project between Arcachon and Bordeaux in the Southwest of France.

Dreal Rhône-Alpes (French Regional authority): Advising on the contemplated bypass road of the city of Lyon with congestion tax in order to relieve traffic congestion, an investment of €300 million.

French Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development and Energy: Advising on a PPP contract called "Ecotaxe" (HGV eco-tax), an ecological taxation system which could have affected all goods vehicles weighing more than 3.5 tons driving in France, be they French or foreign. Dentons has advised the French Government in the context of the termination for convenience of the PPP contract, leading to an extremely complex settlement with the operator and the lenders. We are still advising on various litigations related to the termination.

Federal Ministry for Transport and Digital Infrastructure and DEGES: Advising on the procurement of the €600 million A7 motorway project, the longest German Autobahn running through a strategic corridor in Europe –the second PPP project of this kind in Germany.

Lenders: Advising on the A1/A6 and A15 motorway projects in the Netherlands, with respective total costs of \in 1.4 billion and \in 1.5 billion.



Astaldi SpA: Advising on the re-purchase and/or renegotiation of contracts concerning AST A and AST B, concessionary companies for car parking construction and management of car parking facilities in Torino, Verona and Bologna metropolitan areas.

ANAS: Advising on a Project Bond issued by its subsidiary CAV – Concessioni Autostradali Venete to provide non-recourse/cash flow based refinancing of construction costs related to the €840 million Passante di Mestre toll road. This represents the first Italian Project Bond and the first EIB Project Bond Credit Enhancement scheme.

Strabag/Hochtief: Advising one of the four shortlisted consortia on the tender launched by the Czech Ministry of Transport for the construction and operation of the €975 million D4 Highway in Czech Republic paving the way for PPP projects in the sector.

Several entities: Advising EIB, the concession company and the consortium comprised of Bouygues, Strabag and Colas as well as their lenders on various phases of the M6 motorway project in Hungary. Currently, we are representing the consortium's lenders in connection with the ongoing financing-related aspects of the project.

SIAC Holdings (Ireland) Ltd: Advising on the design and construction under a FIDIC contract of the A4 motorway section Tarnów-Rzeszów in Poland, including the construction agreement, the loan agreement to finance working capital, and multiple disputes with respect to construction works agreements.

ICA Ictas Ucuncu Kopru : Advising on the US\$1.9 billion refinancing of the Istanbul Bosphorus 3rd Bridge/Northern Marmara Motorway BOT PPP. This is the largest greenfield project finance in Turkish history.

China Railway Group Limited (CREC): Advising on the tender for a BOT project to build a 176-km Kurtkoy-Akyazi Highway BOT PPP in Istanbul with a project company comprised of CREC and two Turkish companies, MNG and MAPA.

Major Georgian construction firm: Assisting in procurement of and sub-contracting on a World Bank financed highway construction project based on FIDIC Pink Contract in Georgia.*

Colas: Advising on two appeal proceedings connected with the public tender on construction works on national roads administered by the General Directorate for National Roads and Motorways.

Leading construction and civil engineering company: Representing the client in several cases connected with the participation in the public procurement procedures for design and construction of roads in Poland. The scope of works included strategic tender advisory, representation before the National Appeal Chamber, communication with the awarding entities and drafting documents. **Interparking Poland:** Providing comprehensive legal advice concerning participation in the procedure conducted by the Capital City of Warsaw for conclusion of a concession agreement for design, construction and operation of the publicly available underground car parks in Warsaw together with the ancillary infrastructure. This long announced prestigious project comprises the development of two underground car parks in the Capital City.

One the leading Polish construction companies:

Acting in a dispute with the General Director for National Roads and Motorways concerning the claims for contractual penalties allegedly arising from termination of the contract concluded for construction of the section Tarnów – Rzeszów of the A-4 motorway.

Chambre du commerce et de l'Industrie Seine Estuaire: Advising the lenders on the refinancing of two concessions contracts relating to engineering works (toll bridges). The concessions were concluded between the French State and the client.

Nottingham County Council, via Aberdeen Standard: Advising in their forward funding of part of the development at King Stables Road, Edinburgh – a major gap site within Edinburgh's Old Town and Unesco World Heritage site.

Acciona and Jones Bros: Advising in relation to their proposal to provide construction services for the £500m A465 Head of the Valleys Road project, which is being procured using the Welsh MIM PFI model.

Confidential client: Advising on a construction dispute regarding the Aberdeen Western Peripheral Route, Scotland's largest road scheme.





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