

## Latin Lawyer Deal of the Year



Welcome to Latin Lawyer's Deal of the Year nominations for deals from 2025.

Each year, Latin Lawyer offers awards to general counsel and law firms advising on the most significant deals of the year across Latin America.

The Deal of the Year winners will be announced at our awards ceremony, which will take place in São Paulo in May 2026 and is held in aid of pro bono clearing houses from across the region.

Shortlists will be announced in the Latin Lawyer daily online news briefing. If you are not already signed up to receive it, you may do so [here](#).

This year we are awarding deals in 11 categories:

- Mergers and acquisitions: public companies
- Mergers and acquisitions: private companies
- Project finance: energy and natural resources
- Project finance: infrastructure
- Corporate finance: capital markets
- Corporate finance: banking and finance
- Corporate finance: ESG
- Disputes
- Restructuring
- Private equity
- Regulatory

There is more information on the types of deals we consider under each category on the next page.

Deals must have closed between 1 January 2025 and 31 December 2025 and be predominantly based in Latin America (although there can be other jurisdictions involved).

Latin American firms/companies can submit one deal per category for each Latin American jurisdiction in which they have an office.

International firms/companies can submit one deal per category. International firms' Latin American law offices and Brazilian offices can each make separate submissions, one per category.

Considerations when deciding the winner will include value, timeframe, complexity, legal creativity shown, political and regulatory sensitivity, number of jurisdictions to which the deal relates, and so on. When making your submission, we strongly encourage you to highlight the aspects of your nominated deals that make them worthy of being winners. For the corporate finance: ESG category, you must outline what makes the deal qualify as a sustainable investment.

**The deadline for entries is close of business on Wednesday 28 January 2026. Please note this is a strict deadline and extensions cannot be given.**

Please nominate one deal per category, per page of the survey that follows. You can choose the order of categories in which to nominate deals. Remember, each firm can nominate only one deal in each category. If more than one deal is nominated in each category, we will only consider the first deal nominated.

Thank you. We look forward to receiving your nominations. Please email [briefing@latinlawyer.com](mailto:briefing@latinlawyer.com) or [fredrik.karlsson@latinlawyer.com](mailto:fredrik.karlsson@latinlawyer.com) with any questions about nominating deals.

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For the **mergers and acquisitions: public companies** category, we consider M&A deals involving a target company or companies whose shares are traded on a stock exchange.

For the **mergers and acquisitions: private companies** category, we consider M&A deals involving companies under private ownership, whose shares are not publicly traded.

For the **project finance: energy and natural resources** category, we consider financings for projects in the energy and natural resources sectors where the debt and equity used to finance the projects are paid back from the cash flow generated.

For the **project finance: infrastructure** category, we consider financings for major infrastructure projects, including social infrastructure such as hospitals and prisons, and transport and logistics, where the debt and equity used to finance the projects are paid back from the cash flow generated.

For the **Capital markets** category, we consider deals involving the buying and selling of debt and equity financial securities such as bonds, notes, stocks and shares, etc in public and private securities placements.

For the **Banking & finance** category, we consider bank lending transactions, including syndicated finance, asset-backed finance, acquisition finance, securitisations and derivatives.

For the **ESG finance category**, we recognise finance and investment transactions that are intended to have a verifiable and measurable positive impact on the receiving entity's environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance. Intended beneficiaries of the investment will be clearly identified, and there will be transparency around what the proceeds will address. Eligible transactions will likely follow one or several voluntary governing standards established by industry groups and be certified by a third-party reviewer.

For the **private equity** category, we consider deals where private equity funds participated as one of the major investors or financiers, or fund raising.

For the **regulatory** category, we consider any matter in which approval from or interaction with the appropriate regulator was critical to a deal; in which a regulator was the counterparty in the case; or in which interaction with the regulator in any other way was fundamental to its conclusion. Types of regulator include: securities, antitrust, telecoms, natural resources and energy, utilities, environment, infrastructure (including roads, airports, ports etc).

For the **disputes** category, the case must have reached its conclusion before 31 December 2025. For litigation, this means the end of the appeal process must have been reached. For arbitration, the arbitral hearing must have concluded for the matter to be considered, although related litigation can be ongoing.

For the **restructuring** category, we consider contentious and non-contentious cases involving entities in financial difficulties restructuring their debt obligations.

## Deal details

Deal name			
Category	Mergers and acquisitions: public companies		
<i>Please select one.</i>	Mergers and acquisitions: private companies		
	Project finance: energy and natural resources		
	Project finance: infrastructure		
	Capital markets		
	Banking and finance		
	ESG finance		
	Disputes		
	Restructuring		

	Private equity		
	Regulatory		
Date the transaction/case closed. <i>Please use the format dd/mm/yyyy</i>			
Any comments about the closing date.			
Deal value  <i>Please enter whole numbers only, without currency, decimals, decimal points or commas.</i>  <i>Please enter the deal value as <b>US dollars ONLY</b>.</i>  <i>If the deal value was originally calculated in a different currency, please give the valuation in said currency in the provided "Further comments" box below.</i>			
Further comments on value.  <i>If the deal value was originally calculated in a different currency, please enter it with the currency here.</i>			
Please name all law firms and in-house counsel involved in the transaction, including the party each firm represented where possible.  <i>Please note, as complete a counsel list as possible is integral to a deal's consideration. Any obvious gaps in the counsel list will delay our ability to shortlist a transaction.</i>	Lawyer name	Firm name	Parties advised
Brief summary of the deal and reasons for submission  <i>This is your opportunity to explain the deal or matter's significance and present any unique features to highlight why you think it should win Deal of the Year. We strongly encourage you to draw to our attention to why you believe your submission is worthy of the award. Considerations when deciding the winner will include value, timeframe, complexity, legal creativity shown, political and regulatory sensitivity, number of jurisdictions to which the deal relates, and so on.</i>			
Latin Lawyer link  <i>If possible, please provide a link to a Latin Lawyer article covering the deal.</i>			

### End of Survey

You have reached the end of the survey. Thank you for taking part in our research.