

## Press Release

### **VITALY MOZHAROWSKI NAMED A KEY RUSSIAN COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE MARKET MAKER BY CRE-100 2019**

**Vitaly Mozharowski**, Real Estate and Construction Partner at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner Russia (formerly Goltsblat BLP in Russia), came in second among the top legal advisers in CRE-100 2019, ranking the most influential people on the commercial real estate market.

CRE-100 2019, produced by the editorial team of the Commercial Real Estate magazine, a top national property market publication, is a truly coveted annual industry league table in Russia. It takes stock of a firm's general performance, professional wins by its lawyers and their personal contribution to shaping the market over the past year, then picks out the 100 most eminent persons on the commercial real estate market.

**Vitaly Mozharowski** has led the firm's Real Estate and Construction Practice, one of the biggest legal teams on the market, for over two decades. During this time, the Practice has won broad recognition within the professional community, as can be seen from the team's numerous awards, brilliant reputation and top positions in the leading international and national rankings. The team is now one of the busiest on the Russian legal market.

Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP was created by the global merger between Bryan Cave and Berwin Leighton Paisner, including its Russian practice Goltsblat BLP, which was one of the biggest transatlantic mergers in the history of the legal business. These days, as part of a major global law firm, the BCLP Real Estate and Construction Practice is the fourth biggest in the world by the number of partners working on pure real estate matters (according to The Lawyer's Global 200 Real Estate Report).

Spearheaded by **Vitaly** and leveraging his competent involvement, the Practice continues advising its strategic clients on high-profile construction projects, including **Nord Stream 2 AG** on Russian law aspects of laying the Russian section of the **Nord Stream 2** gas pipeline on the Baltic Sea bed; **South Stream Transport B.V.** on construction of the Russian section of the Turk Stream pipeline from Russia to Turkey; and **Sheremetyevo International Airport** on its large-scale reconstruction project.

In 2018-2019, the Practice also advised **UFG Real Estate Russia/Orientir Group** on selling part of Logopark Sever-2 to Raven Russia; **Barlands Holdings Limited** on selling the former Hotel Tsentralnaya in the centre of Moscow; **Globus** on expanding its operations on the Russian market; **eBay, Procter & Gamble, Tommy Hilfiger & Calvin Klein, Kimberly-Clark and others** on leasing their national headquarters in Moscow; **Invest AG** on selling its A-Class business centre to the Moscow Region Government; **X5 Retail group** on acquiring a supermarket chain spanning a number of Russian regions.

#### **Awards won over the last 12 months:**

- Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (Russia) LLP was named Law Firm of the Year in Real Estate by Best Lawyers 2019.

- Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (Russia) LLP was recognised as Law Firm of the Year in Real Estate by The Legal 500 UK Awards 2019.
- Our Real Estate and Construction Practice has been at the top of the Russian legal market for nine years running, ranked in Band 1 by Chambers Europe and Tier 1 by The Legal 500 2011-2019.
- For several years, the Practice has been listed in Band 1 for Real Estate and Construction by Russia's top national legal rating Pravo.ru-300.
- Best Lawyers 2019 and International Financial Law Review 1000 2019 recognise the team's lawyers as leading professionals in Real Estate and Project Development in Energy and Natural Resources.

2018-2019 also saw **Vitaly Mozharowski** named Construction Lawyer of the Year by Best Lawyers 2019 and top-ranked in Band 1 by Chambers Europe 2019. He was also recognised as a Leading Individual by The Legal 500 2019. In 2018, Vitaly won an International Advisory Experts Award for Construction in Russia.

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