

Press release

## Dentons further strengthens Energy and Natural Resources practice in Russia with arrival of Jon Hines

Moscow, 17 November 2021 – Jon Hines has joined Dentons' Moscow office as a senior counsel in the Energy and Natural Resources practice. He has been based in Moscow for 21 years, and has been involved in Russia/CIS region project work for more than 30 years.

He is recognized as a leading lawyer in energy and natural resources (Band 1) by Chambers Global, Chambers Europe, The Legal 500, IFLR 1000, The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers, Euromoney's Energy Expert Guide and Pravo.ru. He was named Lawyer of the Year in Oil and Gas Law by Best Lawyers 2021.

Jon has a long track record representing US, European, Asian, Middle Eastern, and Russian and other regional private and state-owned companies in major transactions, including project development and project financings, joint ventures, and M&A in Russia and the CIS region. He focuses primarily on large-scale oil and gas projects, including liquefied natural gas (LNG) and other midstream and downstream deals, as well as mining and metals and other industrial ventures. He also assists major Russian and other CIS companies in their projects worldwide. Previously he was a partner heading the energy transactions group at Morgan Lewis's Moscow office, and before that he practised with another international law firm.

Hines also advises clients on the application of US and EU sanctions on projects and other commercial dealings relating to Russia, and he has experience in arbitration proceedings related to Russia/CIS transactions in Moscow, Stockholm, London, Paris, and Geneva. He is currently serving his third five-year term on the Panel of Arbitrators of the International Commercial Arbitration Court (ICAC) at the Russian Federation Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He is one of only two non-Russians serving on ICAC's governing Presidium.

**Arkadiusz Krasnodębski**, Head of Dentons' Energy group in Europe, commented: "I am thrilled to see Jon joining Dentons. With our global reach and constantly growing energy capabilities, Jon will feel at home. The depth of his energy experience will be a great source of know-how for our practitioners and provide great support for our clients."

**Alexei Zakharko**, Russia Managing Partner, AB Dentons, commented: "We are delighted to welcome Jon. With his strong expertise and impressive experience in the energy sector, he will make an excellent addition to the practice. I am confident that Jon's arrival will not only enhance our existing client relationships but will open up new opportunities for further expansion."

Jon Hines commented on his appointment: "I'm excited to be joining Dentons' team in Russia, and look forward to collaborating with colleagues across CIS, Europe, and worldwide. I've chosen Dentons for its super-strong Moscow office, its unparalleled global reach, and the admirable personal and professional quality of the lawyers I've already met. I'm ready to jump in and contribute all I can to our Energy and Natural Resources practice for our clients' benefit."

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