



## Banking and Finance

Whether you are a lender, a borrower or a sponsor, you can expect **sophisticated yet pragmatic advice on corporate funding and related issues**. Our Banking and Finance team has the know-how, size and capacity to bring value for our clients in Belgium and abroad.

Our team includes experts on retail banking products and services, consumer credit, mortgages, financial law and payment mechanisms. We advise clients on regulatory banking matters and are able to utilise our effective relationships with regulators to anticipate client needs.

Banks and companies also rely on our team for assistance with insolvencies and workouts, as well as debt restructurings and corporate restructurings.

### OUR CLIENTS

Clients include:

- Belgian and foreign financial institutions
- specialised niche financial players, distributors and agents
- large and mid-sized corporates
- family-owned businesses and start-ups
- funds and fund managers

### OUR APPROACH

Our team combines in-depth practical experience in banking, financial services and insolvency with a focus on your economic reality. We make sure we truly understand your objectives, anticipate the issues, and tailor our services to meet your business goals.

Our skilled and highly motivated team offers advice about lending operations, corporate reorganisations and insolvency matters, and the setting up of banking products and services.

### OUR TEAM

Our Banking and Finance team includes **several leading practitioners and renowned specialists**.

We advise clients across a range of disciplines within banking and finance law, including debt and equity capital markets, corporate finance, trade finance, financial services and investment products, funds and asset management and insolvency law. Through the firm's London representative office, the Brussels-based practice plays a key role in the London financial sector, particularly working with international banks and other international sponsors and lenders.

## OUR SERVICES

### Corporate Lending and Specialised Funding Schemes

We assist both lenders and borrowers with financing operations and related security packages.

In asset-backed and project finance transactions, asset-based lending operations, and in industry-specific types of lending, our team can be relied upon for trusted advice.

### Financial Institutions and Regulatory

You can rely on a team of experts who advise on the full range of banking and financial services law matters:

- banking and investment products
- structured products
- securities marketing
- MiFID
- consumer credit and mortgages
- payment services and clearing mechanisms

### Insolvency and Workouts

We assist all stakeholders in insolvency proceedings, corporate and debt restructurings and workouts. Our team works with debtors and creditors alike with a view to protecting their interests in the context of pre-insolvency restructurings and/or actual insolvency proceedings.

### Litigation

Our team has strong expertise and experience in handling high-profile litigation cases (including class actions) in relation to the matters referred to above, where necessary in close cooperation with Liedekerke's Litigation and Arbitration team.



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## PARTNERS

- Tom Van Dyck
- Freya Mareels
- Roel Fransis

## WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT US

*"The team is hands-on, pragmatic and thorough. A pleasure to work with". Freya Mareels has a deep understanding of the banking and finance market, and is knowledgeable both technically and in terms of market practices. She also communicates clearly and quickly goes to the essence of the matter".*

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*Clients admire the "flexibility and availability" of the lawyers, in addition to their constructive advice. Another client hails Liedekerke as a "very good, local firm with an excellent reputation" in the banking market. Freya Mareels is noted by the market as a rising star whose name is "really worthwhile mentioning." She assists banks with leveraged finance, real estate finance and general corporate lending matters. Tom Van Dyck focuses on financial regulatory matters, including fund formation and regulation. A client enthuses: "He finds new solutions, is very practical and very helpful and establishes very good contact with the regulator. He knows what he's talking about and is also a very reliable person."*

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