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Company www (sorted alphabetically)	Deal 1					Deal 2					Deal 3					Deal 4					Deal 5				
1 Allen & Overy Bratislava, s.r.o. www.allenover.com	Advising Telefónica O2 on various aspects of building its Slovak business of a third licensed mobile operator					Advising the shareholders of biofuels and alimentary group PALMA-TUMYS a.s. on the sale of their majority shareholding to Slavia Capital Group					Advising Všeobecná úverová banka on the acquisition of a majority stake in local leasing company B.O.F.					Samsung on state aid related matters arising in connection with the extension of its manufacturing operations in Slovakia and on procedural steps and contractual documentation.					SLOVINTEGRA on a company that's developing a 80 MWe combined cycle plant in the industrial park Levice using technology by Rolls Royce Power Engineering and Siemens Industrial Turbomachinery.				
2 B & S Legal s.r.o. www.bslegal.sk	Advising the borrower with respect to syndicated long term investment loan of €22 million related to administrative building refinancing					Advising major Korean producer of electronic parts with respect to its €15 million greenfield project					Advising major French water pipeline producer with respect to acquisition of its Slovak distributor (asset deal)					Advising French producer of car components with respect to its €12 million brownfield investment					Advising Slovak developer on development of €70 million commercial retail and residential project in Bratislava				
3 Čechová & Partners www.cechova.sk	Advising foreign investment group in acquisition of Slovak Business of one of the worldwide leaders in the industrial and specialty fibers market					Advising a major Spanish private equity fund at its successful share deal acquisition of one of the first top "class A" office buildings in the center of Bratislava for over €45,000,000.					Assisting a foreign investor in acquiring real estates (through acquisition of a company) for industrial park development					Assisting RPC Group in the acquisition of the plastics business of DM Plast, Vefký Meder					Advising a foreign investor in acquisition of several beer producing Slovak companies				
4 Hugarí, Kubovič & Partners s.r.o. www.hkplegal.sk	Counselling the investment bank (Wood&Company a.s.) by the purchase process of majority shareholdings in a Slovak healthcare supplies manufacturer					Representing a major international constructor in the case of defects elimination on the construction of the Slovak commercial center					Providing the legal counsel a Social Implementation Agency under Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of SR in restructuring funds of EU					Providing complex legal services to one of the biggest hospital in SR					Providing complex legal services to various international companies (Pliva, Wienerberger Slovenské tehelne, Marsh, Skanska CZ a.s.)				
5 Jaroslav Ružička Law Office www.ccsconsulting.sk	Advising KBC Bank NV on one of the largest real estate financings in Slovakia of development of a shopping centre in Bratislava (including a hotel, leisure facilities and residential and office space).					Advising Bank Austria Creditanstalt AG on financing of acquisition of estates in various places in Slovakia by a Slovak/Austrian joint venture company.					Advising Národná diaľničná spoločnosť, a.s. on selecting a proper form of public procurement procedure for the electronic toll collection project and a proper contractual type for the public procurement of the project.					Advising BZ Group - leading Slovak development - on the biggest residential complex (750 flats) in Bratislava. Work included property acquisition, construction contracts, project financing and structuring.					Eurohypo AG on the project financing of acquisition of logistic centre and shopping centre in Slovakia				
6 Linklaters, s.r.o. www.linklaters.com	Slovenské elektrárne/ENEL on completion of units 3&4 at Mochovce Nuclear Power Plant					Ballymore Properties Limited on the development and syndicated financing of the Eurovea Project - a mixed use retail, office, hotel and residential property development in the centre of Bratislava					Kia Motors Corporation on the expansion of its existing auto manufacturing plant in Slovakia and related investment incentives and EU approvals.					AbuDhabi Investment Authority on the acquisition, financing and management of a portfolio of logistics and commercial investment properties in Slovakia.					SkyEurope Airlines on numerous B 737 NG aircraft leasing transactions and aircraft financing by way of leasing or financed acquisitions				
7 PETERKA & PARTNERS www.peterkapartners.com	Legal assistance to Descours&Cabaud, an international group active in industrial supply with ist operations in Slovakia.					Legal assistance to Vectron, world leader in the design, manufacture and marketing of frequency control, sensor and hybrid product solutions in connection with its Slovak operations.					Comprehensive legal services for Swiss Re in the process of setting up and operating its services subsidiary in Bratislava, namely in the field of corporate, labour and real estate law.					Comprehensive legal services to the construction company CFE Slovakia on its operations in the Slovak Republic.					Comprehensive legal services to the company Steep Plast on its greenfield project in the Slovak Republic				
8 Squire Sanders www.ssd.com	Assisting a global US manufacturing company with the divestiture of its bearing business conducted through Slovak subsidiary through a sale of assets transaction and fluid business conducted through Slovak subsidiary.					Representation of majority shareholder in sale of 100% of shares together with minority shareholders in Slovak chemical company to foreign buyer.					Advising Tesco PLC, a UK-based retailer, as exclusive counsel in Slovakia in connection with its acquisition of stores in Slovakia and further development of a chain of hypermarkets.					Advising one of the major Slovak bank on a real estate project financing transaction.					Advising a Greek investor on residential development.				
9 ULC Čarnogurský s.r.o. www.ulclegal.com	SAMSUNG Electronics Slovakia s.r.o. - Complete legal advice related to key investment projects, commercial law, labour law and state aid.					Slovenský plynárenský priemysel, a.s. - Representing the client in the lawsuit concerning the promissory note.					Rímskokatolícka cirkev Bratislavsko-trnavská arcidiecéza - Complete legal assistance related to the restitution of the immovable property nationalized by the Communist regime.					Ministry of Economy - Representing the Ministry in a lawsuit concerning the Mining and Processing Factory in Krivoi Rog in Ukraine including complex legal due diligence.					ECO-INVEST, a.s. - Legal advice related to key investment projects of the company, including mergers and acquisitions.				
10 Weinhold Legal, v.o.s. org.zložka Bratislava www.weinholdlegal.com	Services to Italian energy company including due diligence and assistance in preparation of documents and negotiations with the Ministry of Economy and Slovak National Property Fund and postclosing matter.					Services to the dominant Slovak telecom provider on sales in the area of radiocommunication; the disposal of such activities by the Slovak Telecom group; and the revision of transaction documentation.					Financing of a series of Slovak and Czech acquisitions by a major Scottish real estate investor.					Syndicates lending provided to all group members (including Slovak subsidiary). Term, revolving and over draft loan facilities, Four loan agreements and related security documents, transaction advisory.					Disposal of Slovak and Czech companies Esso operating chains of petrol stations (almost 100), plus sale of lubricants and aviation business (Bratislava and Prague airport)				
11 White & Case, s.r.o. www.whitecase.com	Advising EBRD on the sale of its shares to Slovaco.					UniCredito Italiano - its merger with HVB Slovak Republic and Unibanka (part of the biggest merger in EU banking sector).					KBC/ČSOB - €150 million real estate financing of construction of "River Park" project in Bratislava.					Slovak Republic - the issuance of €1 billion fixed 4,4% notes due in 2017.					GE Real Estate - acquisition of several MAX shopping centers in Central Slovakia				