

Ana Radnev takes over the management of Banking & Finance practice at CMS Romania



International law firm CMS is pleased to announce the appointment of Ana Radnev as its Head of Banking & Finance at CMS Romania, succeeding Simona Marin.

Ana is a Romanian and English qualified Partner and has over 20 years expertise in international and local financing transactions. She is recognised by the international legal directories as one of the top banking and finance lawyers in Central and Eastern Europe (CEE). Given the context of an ever-growing interest in investments, CMS repatriated Ana to the Bucharest office in May 2019.

Ana has been part of the CMS team since its establishment in Romania, joining the Bucharest office in 1999. Subsequently, she relocated to London, a period in which she became an expert in English law, focusing on Banking & Finance law and advancing to the position of partner. Her practice continued at an international level and, for more than 20 years, she has coordinated countless financing transactions in the whole Central-South-European Zone. During this time, she continued to work on transactions in Romania, keeping her connections to clients and co-workers in other firms in the region.

Ana Radnev comments: “I am honoured to coordinate the Banking & Finance team of CMS Romania and work closely with my old and new colleagues in the Bucharest team. We are one of the largest and most dynamic Banking & Finance teams in Romania, covering the entire range of financial and equity market products. Together we will continue to promote the development and consolidation of the banking law practice in Romania and contribute to the implementation of CMS’s strategy in the region. At the same time, we are an integral part of CMS’ global Banking & Finance practice, a proof in this respect being the diversity of the portfolio of clients and complex, large-scale transactions – many having multi-jurisdiction implications - which we coordinate from the Bucharest office.”

“Ana Radnev’s return to Bucharest is an important step in augmenting the position of CMS in Bucharest as a regional leader in Banking & Finance. Ana’s appointment, together with the lawyers recently hired in the Banking & Finance group strengthens the regional hub position of our Bucharest office and brings about critical mass to further support our clients in cross-border transactions. Ana brings a unique expertise in assisting clients in infrastructure, technology and life science/health, strengthening the capacity of our Bucharest office to support clients in strategic transactions, such as the representation of sponsors in led leveraged financing, recaps, non-recourse projects and infrastructure finance. We are delighted to have Ana in the Bucharest office”, declared **Gabriel Sidere**, *Managing Partner CMS Romania*.

Recognised by the most prestigious international legal directories as a centre of excellence for the

financial-banking sector, the Banking & Finance and Capital Markets Department at CMS is one of the leading teams in Romania. Made up of 18 lawyers, the CMS Romania team covers the entire range of finance transactions, financial services and capital markets, as well as advising on the legal and regulatory issues specific to this sector. With impressive international experience, team members assist local and international banks, financial institutions, and local and international companies, in complex local and cross-border projects, in areas such as project finance, real estate finance, syndicated and bilateral finance, acquisition finance and structured finance, transfer of portfolios of performing receivables and non-performing loans (NPLs), capital markets (ESM and DCM) and Fintech.