

Roundtable: M&A in the Digital Infrastructure sector
Roundtable Hosts: Bird&Bird/DIF

Time: **10.30 - 11.30**

Room: **Barcelona 1**

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Dr. Peter Leube (Bird&Bird)

Dr. Hans Peter Leube, LL.M., is a partner of Bird & Bird's international corporate group and co-heads the firm's global private equity practice. Peter has focused on M&A, takeover/capital markets law and private equity transactions for almost 20 years. From 2008 to 2011, he joined the management of one of Germany's biggest cable TV providers and was responsible for the sale of various cable networks and the successful financial restructuring of the companies. As a consequence, most of Peter's clients are from the telecommunications, media and infrastructure sectors or are investors with a comparable industry focus.

Henrik Luerssen (DIF)

Henrik Luerssen is a Senior Director of DIF Infrastructure Fund. Henrik joined DIF in 2012 and is responsible for the co-ordination of the core infrastructure activities within DIF and is involved in the origination, analysis, investments and management of the core infrastructure fund's investments and PPPs. Prior to DIF he was at KPMG Corporate Finance, where he part of the infrastructure advisory / M&A for 5 years. He has originated a wide range of international infrastructure transactions in the Telecom and Transportation sectors. In his earlier career, Henrik worked for BHF-Bank AG.

Objective:

Infrastructure transactions follow their own rational, and in particular when we are focusing on digital infrastructure due to the intensified level of technical aspects which must be incorporated in the deal logic. The workshop intend to identify typical pitfalls when preparing an negotiating a DI deal and will in particular focus on the challenges when Infrastructure transactions meet the specific requirements of a private equity investor and specific funding needs.

Dr. Peter Leube and Henrik Luerssen moderate the workshop and engage discussion among participants.

Format:

- Interactive workshop with max. 15 participants
- Two 1h sessions (repetition)
- Presentations only support the workshop discussion. The major focus is the active participation and integration of the participants
- Chatham House rules apply for every Di² Summit Workshop and secure the high-level trustful environment