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Partner

Professional Experience

Ms. Lijing Du joined JunHe in 2012 and has since been practicing at the firm's Beijing Head Office. She is a well-seasoned transactional lawyer with over a decade of experience advising on intricate projects across the energy, power, oil and gas, chemicals, transport, infrastructure, as well as public utilities and public-private partnership (PPP) projects. Her practice spans a broad range of inbound and outbound investments, including greenfield development, mergers and acquisitions, project finance, and municipal utility concessions.

In cross-border matters, Ms. Du has acted for leading developers, contractors, banks, and insurance companies on high-value infrastructure and energy projects under China's Belt and Road Initiative. She has provided legal support across the full lifecycle of these projects, covering investment, financing, construction, and operation, in regions such as Southeast Asia, South Asia, Middle Asia, Middle East, Europe, Africa, and Latin America.

On the domestic front, Ms. Du advises both foreign investors and Chinese enterprises on a wide spectrum of transactional, regulatory, and corporate issues. Her project work covers conventional and renewable power generation, including oil and gas, wind, solar, hydro, nuclear, biomass, cogeneration, and seawater desalination, as well as infrastructure projects such as district heating, water supply, wastewater treatment, and integrated utilities. She also advises on regulatory compliance, including licensing and permitting, environmental and safety regulation, public procurement, antitrust, and national security review. In addition, she handles complex corporate matters involving foreign direct investment, such as entity establishment, equity transactions, recapitalizations, restructuring, and dissolutions.

Ms. Du is particularly recognized for her leadership in managing large-scale project teams and her expertise in drafting and negotiating bilingual transactional documents. She has led numerous landmark transactions featuring innovative structures, multi-jurisdictional aspects, and industry-wide impact. A number of deals she participated in have been recognized as "Deals of the Year" by Asian Legal Business (ALB) and China Business Law Journal.

Ms. Du is ranked as:

- 2024 & 2025: Rising Star in "Project Development: Infrastructure and Project Finance" by IFLR1000
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- 2023 & 2024: a Recommended Lawyer in "Projects and Energy" by The Legal 500
- 2025: Top 15 Lawyers in "Energy and Natural Resources" by Legal One

Recent Representative Deals include:

- Represented the syndicate comprising Bank of China Limited, China Development Bank, China Construction Bank and other onshore and offshore banks in a 1.78 billion US\$ financing project for a 2x660MW Payra Thermal Power Plant located at Bangladesh, which was awarded the Excellent Legal Services Examples of the "One Belt One Road" Initiatives by China Legal Daily and the Year of 2019 by China Business Law Journal
- Represented North Huajin in its 11.5 billion USD joint venture investment with Saudi Aramco in a mega refinery and petrochemical project in Liaoning Province, China, which was awarded Deal of the Year by China Business Law Journal
- Represented China Power International Development Limited in its acquisition of 2,160 MW clean energy from China Power International New Energy, which was awarded Deal of the Year by China Business Law Journal
- Represented EDF China in its investment in Phase IV Offshore Windfarm with an installed capacity of 302.4 MW and Phase V Offshore Windfarm with an installed capacity of 200 MW in Jiangsu province, China by means of equity joint venture with subsidiaries of China Energy Investment Corporation (国家能源集团), which was the first Sino-foreign joint venture offshore wind farm project in China and was awarded the Deal of the Year by ALB
- Represented CNOOC and Shell Petrochemicals Company Limited in a USD3,300,000,000 non-recourse structured syndicate project finance, which was awarded the Best Financing Solution Award in the Adam Smith Awards Asia of 2016

Education

LL. M., University of Virginia Law School

LL.B., Peking University Law School

Professional Associations

Member of the All-China Bar Association and the New York Bar Association

Language Skills

Fluent in Chinese and English.

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Practice Areas:

Infrastructure and Project Financing
Corporate and M&A