



## Giovanni Meschia

### Partner

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### OVERVIEW

Giovanni Meschia is a partner in the firm's Milan office where he is a member of the Investment Management practice group. His practice focuses on transactional private equity and fund formation across a wide variety of industry sectors.

Giovanni assists domestic and international fund managers in structuring and setting up private equity, private debt, real estate and venture capital alternative investment schemes, including corporate and contractual structures, funds of funds, and parallel funds, and related carried interest vehicles and arrangements. He also advises them on the legal and regulatory framework of their day-to-day activities.

In addition, Giovanni assists sponsors and institutional investors in their investments in alternative investment schemes in both primary and secondary markets, as well as in performing co-investment transactions alongside the funds they are invested in.

Giovanni also has extensive experience in domestic and cross-border private equity transactions, assisting funds in the structuring, negotiation, and execution of their investment and divestment transactions.

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Giovanni practiced with prominent Italian and International law firms in Milan.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recommended in Legal 500, 2017 (for investment funds)

### EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Padua, 2006 (*magna cum laude*)

## ADMISSIONS

- Milan Bar

## LANGUAGES

- English
- Italian

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 5 September 2019, New Rules on Cross-Border Distribution of Investment Funds in the EU (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 13 December 2017, Materials from the 2017 London Investment Management Conference (*Presentations*)
- 8 August 2017, Update: Italian Parliament approves the new National Merger Filing Thresholds (*Alerts/Updates*)

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Direct Lending by Alternative Investment Funds: The Italian Regulatory and Tax Framework,” *Issue: Derivatives & Financial Instruments*, 2017 (Volume 19), No. 3, 15 June 2017

## NEWS & EVENTS

- 9 May 2017, K&L Gates Further Boosts Investment Management Practice with Milan Partner Hire (*Press Release*)

## AREAS OF FOCUS

- Asset Management and Investment Funds
- Global Distribution
- Institutional Investors
- Investment Funds
- Private Equity Funds
- Private Equity Transactions
- Real Estate Funds

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Assisted an Italian asset management company in the structuring of an UTP fund.
- Assisted an Italian investment fund in connection with an investment in a private debt fund managed by an asset management company.
- Assisted an Italian investment fund in connection with an investment in a private equity fund managed by an Italian private equity company.
- Assisted an Italian investment fund in connection with an investment in the private equity fund managed by a private equity firm.
- Assisted an Italian investment fund in connection with the replacement of the management company in their portfolio of a debt fund.
- Assisted Italian Investors in structuring and launching a new Italian private equity fund.
- Assisted an Insurance company in connection with certain investments in non-domestic funds. Assistance in connection with investments in the following European investment funds: an Irish umbrella unit trust managed by a holding company, a Luxemburg AIF managed by a Société à responsabilité limitée, a French umbrella professional private equity fund in the process of being launched by a venture capital.
- Assisted an investment fund based in Lazio Region in connection with an investment in a fund investing in projects (of the Lazio region) for industrial and digital technologies.
- Assisted the client, a French investment fund, in structuring and launching a new private equity fund.
- Assisted a company active in the sector of retail sale in non-specialised stores with food, beverage, in connection with a purchase of shares of an investment society from a national service authority.
- Assisted an independent Venture Capital firm in connection with the launch of an alternative investment fund. Assistance in connection with the structuring, set-up and fund raising of a new venture capital fund, serving as a parallel fund, systematically co-investing with the latter in target start-ups based in the Lazio Region.
- Assisted the largest independent asset management group in Italy in connection with the structuring and launch of their first alternative investment fund.
- Assisted a captive investment and asset management company for real estate in the acquisition of real property, specifically a logistic park.
- Assisted a leading, privately-held alternative investment firm, in the structuring of a new Italian real estate fund managed by an Italian investment management company and sponsored by a leading, privately-held alternative investment firm, focusing on real estate investments with particular reference to the logistics sector.
- Assisted an equity investments in early stage biopharma companies in applying for authorization with the Bank of Italy as a new Italian alternative investment fund manager.

- Assisted an independent advisory firm specialised in mergers and acquisitions and a leading provider and manager of alternative investment products in the launch of an Italian fund investing in Italian real estate backed non-performing and unlikely-to-pay loans.
- Assisted a venture capital fund in connection with an investment in a fund managed by an investment company focused on early stage venture capital companies.
- Assisted a European investment fund in connection with an investment by the first investment platform in Italy dedicated to the financing of technology transfer processes in an Italian venture capital fund sponsored by an Italian university, with focus on the technology transfer.
- Assisted an European Investment fund in connection with an investment in new venture capital fund with focus on the aerospace sector.