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# Duarte Schmidt Lino

Joined PLMJ in 2004.  
Partner and co-head of the Corporate M&A practice.

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## About Duarte

Duarte is the co-head of the Corporate M&A practice. He has over 18 years' experience in private equity, mergers and acquisitions, corporate law, investment funds and privatisation.

Duarte is known for handling major private equity, corporate governance, M&A and privatisation transactions, working both in Portugal and internationally, with a focus on the markets of Angola, Brazil and Mozambique.

Duarte has a law degree from Universidade Católica Portuguesa in Lisbon and completed a postgraduate course in banking law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon.

**Specializations:** Business reorganizations, Commercial contracts, Family businesses, Mergers, acquisitions and joint ventures, Private equity

**Sectors:** Agro-industry, Distribution and retail, Manufacturing, Social economy

**Languages:** English, French, Spanish

## Academic Background

- Law degree from Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Lisbon, 2000
- Admitted to the Portuguese Bar Association, 2002
- Postgraduate in Banking Law, the Faculty of Law of the University of Lisbon, 2001

## Professional Background

- Partner at PLMJ since 2014

## Awards & Rankings

### Chambers Europe

2020 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Corporate Law / M&A

"Clients value his experience and availability."

2020 - Duarte Schmidt Lino, Band 2 | Private Equity

"He has considerable expertise in acquisitions, including management buyout transactions and the drafting of shareholders' agreements."

2019 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Corporate Law / M&A

"He offers support to both buyers and sellers in deals in the agriculture, leisure and manufacturing sectors, and his expertise extends to private equity and venture capital operations."

2019 - Duarte Schmidt Lino, Band 2 | Private Equity

"He is commercially savvy and leads the team and is well versed in both private equity and venture capital operations."

2018 - Duarte Schmidt Lino, Band 2 | Private Equity

"He has a solid profile in the Portuguese market and regularly advises on cross-border transactions, including in matters involving Brazil, Angola and Mozambique."

2017 - Duarte Schmidt Lino, Band 2 | Private Equity

"He has the capacity to negotiate based on his great creativity with solutions. In addition, he is always available and meets deadlines."

### Chambers Global

2020 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Corporate Law / M&A

"He regularly acts on transactions in the real estate, manufacturing and energy sectors. Clients value his experience and availability."

2019 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Corporate Law / M&A

"He is a fantastic lawyer and his expertise extends to private equity and venture capital operations."

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- 2020 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Corporate / M&A (Private Equity)
- 2020 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Investment Funds
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- 2018 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Corporate / M&A (Investment Funds)

## Best Lawyers

- 2020 - Duarte Schmidt Lino |
- 2019 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Recognised lawyer
- 2018 - Duarte Schmidt Lino |
- 2017 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Other Recommended Lawyer
- 2016 - Duarte Schmidt Lino | Other Recommended Lawyer