

Deals of the Year

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China Business Law Journal is inviting submissions for the **Deals of the Year 2025** awards. Details of the winning deals will be published in a special feature in the January 2026 edition of *China Business Law Journal* and online at Law.asia/China. It will also be circulated widely on social media.

This document is for your firm's internal communication purpose only, and we will ONLY consider contents submitted via the online submission form as valid entries. If you have any questions, please contact our Associate Editor, Jeffrey Huang, or Head of Legal Benchmarking, Crystal Hong, via email at cblj@law.asia.

Important Notes:

- The deadline for making submissions is **20 November 2025**.
- Eligible deals: Please submit any deals, disputes/cases and intellectual property matters related to China (including the mainland, Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan) that closed (or had a major development) between 1 November 2024 and 31 October 2025.
- **There are differences in the materials required for different types of deals:** In this year's submission process, you are required to select the most appropriate category from the nine major categories for each deal you intend to submit. The submission requirements for the "Deal Details" section will vary depending on the deal category.
- **Name of deal/case:** Please identify the key parties and state the nature of the transaction.
- **Deal/case highlights:** Please briefly describe the basic facts of the deal/case, and highlight any key aspects that make it stand out, especially its **significance, its complexity, the difficulties that were overcome, the innovation demonstrated by lawyers, or the precedents that were set**, etc. You may input a maximum of 5000 characters for each deal. This is the most important information to support your deal's candidacy.

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- **Law firms:** Please provide the names and roles of ALL the law firms involved, as well as the lead partners.
- **In-house counsel:** Please identify the key in-house counsel involved.
- **No confidential information:** The information you provide to us may be quoted in *China Business Law Journal*. Therefore, please do NOT provide any information that is confidential.

Your Details

Mr/Ms	Mr	Ms	
Last name		First name	
Law firm		Job title	
Mobile		Email	

For each deal you intend to submit, you are required to select the most appropriate category from the following nine classifications. The required fields under the “Deal Details” section will vary depending on the project category.

The nine categories* of deals are as follows:

- **Capital Markets**
- **M&A**
- **Dispute Resolution**
- **IP (Non-litigation)**
- **International Trade Investigations**
- **Projects**
- **Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring**
- **PE/VC**
- **General Corporate Matter**

Notes:

“Capital Markets” includes situations such as asset-backed securitisation, reverse mergers, and privatisations;

“M&A” includes major asset swaps and cross-shareholding transactions;

“IP (Non-litigation)” includes licensing deals and applications;

“Projects” include legal counseling on any aspects of investment and financing, construction, and operation of large-scale projects, including infrastructure, industrial parks, data centres, etc.

“Liquidation, bankruptcy and Restructuring” includes debt restructuring;

“General Corporate Matters” includes, but is not limited to, joint ventures, new business establishment, and labour/employment issues.

Category: Capital Markets

Part I - Deal Details

Name of deal / case			
Date of closing or major development (between 1/11/2024 and 31/10/2025)			
Specific status	Closed Not closed, please specify		
Your lead partner(s) for this deal / case			
Mobile of lead partner(s)			
Email of lead partner(s)			
Category	Capital Markets M&A Dispute Resolution IP (Non-litigation) International Trade Investigations Projects Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring PE/VC General Corporate Matter		
Subcategory	Listing Refinancing Debt/Bonds REITs Privatisation Asset-Backed Securitisation		
Trading venue	Beijing Stock Exchange/NEEQ Shanghai Stock Exchange Shenzhen Stock Exchange HKEX NASDAQ NYSE London Stock Exchange SIX Swiss Exchange The Inter-Bank Market Others (Please specify)		
Role	Issuer's counsel Underwriter's counsel		

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	Others (Please specify)		
Issuing amount		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion
Deal / case highlights	<i>(Please briefly describe the basic facts of the deal/case, and highlight any key aspects that make it stand out, especially its significance, its complexity, the difficulties that were overcome, the innovation demonstrated by lawyers, or the precedents that were set, etc. You may input a maximum of 5000 characters for each deal. <u>This is the most important information to support your deal's candidacy.</u>)</i>		

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Category: **M&A**

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Specific status	Closed Not closed, please specify		
Your lead partner(s) for this deal / case			
Mobile of lead partner(s)			
Email of lead partner(s)			
Category	Capital Markets M&A Dispute Resolution IP (Non-litigation) International Trade Investigations Projects Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring PE/VC General Corporate Matter		
Direction of funds flow	Domestic <small>Note: Domestic deals: Business activities among mainland China entities, and those among entities in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan (HMT); Inbound deals: HMT and foreign investments into mainland China, as well as foreign investments into HMT; Outbound deals: Business activities by mainland Chinese entities in other jurisdictions and HMT investments into foreign jurisdictions.</small>	Inbound	Outbound
Role	Buyer's counsel Seller's counsel Intermediaries' counsel Regulator's counsel Others (Please specify)		
Target amount		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion

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Category: **Dispute Resolution**

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Mobile of lead partner(s)			
Email of lead partner(s)			
Category	Capital Markets IP (Non-litigation) Projects PE/VC	M&A International Trade Investigations Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring General Corporate Matter	Dispute Resolution
Direction of funds flow	Domestic <i>Note: Domestic deals: Business activities among mainland China entities, and those among entities in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan (HMT);</i>	Inbound	Outbound <i>Inbound deals: HMT and foreign investments into mainland China, as well as foreign investments into HMT; Outbound deals: Business activities by mainland Chinese entities in other jurisdictions and HMT investments into foreign jurisdictions.</i>
Role			
Amount in dispute		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion
Amount awarded (if any)		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion
Types of rights involved (for IP disputes)	Trademark Patent	Copyright Trade secret	

Court verdict uploading (for scoring purpose only)	
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Category: **IP (Non-litigation)**

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Your lead partner(s) for this deal / case					
Mobile of lead partner(s)					
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Category	Capital Markets IP (Non-litigation) Projects PE/VC	M&A International Trade Investigations Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring General Corporate Matter	Dispute Resolution International Trade Investigations Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring General Corporate Matter		
Direction of funds flow	Domestic <i>Note: Domestic deals: Business activities among mainland China entities, and those among entities in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan (HMT); Inbound deals: HMT and foreign investments into mainland China, as well as foreign investments into HMT; Outbound deals: Business activities by mainland Chinese entities in other jurisdictions and HMT investments into foreign jurisdictions.</i>	Inbound	Outbound		
Target amount		Unit	RMB10,000 USD1 million	RMB100 million USD1 billion	
Types of rights involved	Trademark Patent	Copyright Trade secret			
Subcategory	Licensing Others (Please specify)	Application			

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Category: **International Trade Investigations**

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Specific status	Closed Not closed, please specify		
Your lead partner(s) for this deal / case			
Mobile of lead partner(s)			
Email of lead partner(s)			
Category	Capital Markets IP (Non-litigation) Projects PE/VC	M&A International Trade Investigations Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring General Corporate Matter	Dispute Resolution
Nature of investigation(s)	Anti-dumping Anti-subsidy Anti-tax evasion Section 337 investigations Others (Please specify)		
Name of the international regulator(s)			
Jurisdiction(s) of the investigation			
Target amount	Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion	
Result of the investigation			

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Category: **Projects**

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Direction of funds flow	Domestic Inbound Outbound <i>Note: Domestic deals: Business activities among mainland China entities, and those among entities in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan (HMT); Inbound deals: HMT and foreign investments into mainland China, as well as foreign investments into HMT; Outbound deals: Business activities by mainland Chinese entities in other jurisdictions and HMT investments into foreign jurisdictions.</i>			
Target amount		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million	USD1 million USD1 billion
Subcategory		Investment/Financing Construction Others (Please specify)		

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Category: **Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring**

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Mobile of lead partner(s)				
Email of lead partner(s)				
Category	Capital Markets	M&A	Dispute Resolution	
	IP (Non-litigation)	International Trade Investigations		
	Projects	Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring		
	PE/VC	General Corporate Matter		
Direction of funds flow	Domestic	Inbound	Outbound	
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Size of the debt		Unit	RMB10,000	RMB100 million
			USD1 million	USD1 billion
Role	Administrator		Creditor's counsel	
	Debtor's counsel		Investor's counsel	
	Others (Please specify)			
Subcategory	Liquidation		Bankruptcy reorganisation	
	Debt restructuring			
	Others (Please specify)			

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Category: PE/VC

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Category	Capital Markets M&A Dispute Resolution IP (Non-litigation) International Trade Investigations Projects Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring PE/VC General Corporate Matter		
Direction of funds flow	Domestic Inbound Outbound <i>Note: Domestic deals: Business activities among mainland China entities, and those among entities in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan (HMT); Inbound deals: HMT and foreign investments into mainland China, as well as foreign investments into HMT; Outbound deals: Business activities by mainland Chinese entities in other jurisdictions and HMT investments into foreign jurisdictions.</i>		
Target amount		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion
Subcategory	Fund establishment or redomicile Advising institutions on various investment activities (including financing) Advising companies in series funding Others (Please specify)		

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Category: **General Corporate Matter**

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Specific status	Closed Not closed, please specify			
Your lead partner(s) for this deal / case				
Mobile of lead partner(s)				
Email of lead partner(s)				
Category	Capital Markets M&A Dispute Resolution IP (Non-litigation) International Trade Investigations Projects Liquidation, Bankruptcy and Restructuring PE/VC General Corporate Matter			
Direction of funds flow	Domestic Inbound Outbound <i>Note: Domestic deals: Business activities among mainland China entities, and those among entities in Hong Kong, Macau, and Taiwan (HMT); Inbound deals: HMT and foreign investments into mainland China, as well as foreign investments into HMT; Outbound deals: Business activities by mainland Chinese entities in other jurisdictions and HMT investments into foreign jurisdictions.</i>			
Target amount		Unit	RMB10,000 RMB100 million USD1 million USD1 billion	
Subcategory	Joint ventures New business establishment Labour/employment Others (Please specify)			

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