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Annie advises investors and both private and listed companies on domestic and cross-border transactions, with a focus on mergers and acquisitions and capital market transactions.

With a focus on mergers and acquisitions and securities law, Annie advises and assists private and listed companies, their shareholders and management team, as well as investors on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, mergers of equals, and strategic alliances.

Annie has extensive experience with advising on M&A transactions involving listed companies (takeover bids, delisting, share exchanges and mergers) and on capital market transactions (IPOs, private placements, and complex equity-linked securities issuances). She has also assisted SPACs, their sponsors, and underwriters in connection with SPAC IPOs, as well as SPACs and targets in the context of business combinations.

Convinced that the leading companies of tomorrow will be the ones having anticipated and included the social and environmental challenges in their business model and organization, Annie also assists listed companies, board members, and shareholders in taking into account these challenges and their legal implications with the view to building a better governance and a sustainable economy.

Recent Experience

Winston advised Osmosun's initial public offering on Euronext Growth.

Winston acted as deal counsel to issuer Groupe Airwell

Digital Virgo Business Combination with Goal Acquisitions Corp.

I2PO, First SPAC of its Kind in Europe, Closes IPO

2MX Organic's IPO

Roadzen's Investment in Moonshot Insurance

Recognitions

- *Best Lawyers in France*® : Capital Markets Law and Mergers and Acquisitions Law
 - *The Legal 500 EMEA 2024*: Capital Markets: Equity – “Next Generation Partners”
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Activities

- Board member of the French Women Lawyers Association (AFFJ)
 - Member of the collective Surfrider Blue for Surfrider Foundation Europe
 - Board member of the French Securities Lawyers Association (ADB)
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“Deep knowledge and genuine care for clients. They don't just offer standard solutions but think creatively and outside the box. Their relentless pursuit of results, combined with a strong ethical grounding, ensures clients' legal concerns are handled expertly. Annie Maudouit-Ridde shows incredible skills in navigating complex legal landscapes, always ensuring clients' needs are met with precision and timely responses. Their consistent communication and willingness to go the extra mile is especially valuable.”

The Legal 500 EMEA - 2024

“Annie will seek innovative solutions with the aim of facilitating the completion of her clients' operations. She has a perfect command of the regulations and knows how to make herself heard by the French securities regulator.”

“By far the best capital markets lawyer in France. She is level-headed, strong, robust, yet commercial and practical.”

“Benefiting not only from a very good knowledge of the French market, but also of the US markets.”

Credentials

EDUCATION

Annie received her LL.M. in German Law, with honors, from the Ludwig-Maximilians Universität (LMU) in Munich in 2007 and her postgraduate law degree (Master 2 / DJCE) in Business Law, with honors, from the University of Panthéon Assas (Paris II) in 2008.

ADMISSIONS

- Paris, France

LANGUAGES

- French
- English
- German

Related Insights & News

Publications

- SPACs in France and in the European Union, *Thomson Reuters' Practical Law*, June 2022
- M&A in France, *The Legal 500 Country Comparative Guides*, April 2022
- SPAC: New Trends in France and Europe, *M&A Review*, October 2021
- SPAC : New Trends, *Fusions & Acquisitions Magazine*, September 2021
- French SPAC: The Keys To Building European Champions, *M&A Review Europe*, July 2021
- Transition Evergreen: Flashback to the birth of an investment fund like no other, *Fusions-Acquisitions*, July 2021, with L. Le Maux
- French SPAC: The keys to a successful transaction, *Fusions-Acquisitions*, January 2021, with S. Sabatier
- ICOs: Decentralized autonomous organization (DAO), *Joly Bourse* n° 117n4, May-June 2018
- Share buyback programs: Les programmes de rachat d'actions cotées, *Formules, Actes Pratiques* n° 141, May-June 2015, with F. Martin Laprade

- Equity-linked securities: Les valeurs mobilières donnant accès au capital (VMDAC), Actes Pratiques n° 133, January-February 2014, with F. Martin Laprade
- Share warrants: Annulation de BSAAR rachetés à leur prix d'achat initial contre paiement en actions auto-détenues par l'émetteur, Option Finance n° 1249-1250, 16 December 2013, with F. Martin Laprade

Speaking Engagements

- Lecture on public tender offers « Le droit des offres publiques » at the University of Montpellier I (Certificat DJCE), 2019-2024
- Panelist, Gender-balanced governance in private and state-owned companies in the financial industry, organized by Expertise France with representatives from the French and Mexican governments and financial institutions, October 2023
- Panelist, eureKING, First HealthCare SPAC in France, organized by *France Biotech*, June 2022
- Panelist, SPACs Go Global: Legal Insights and Market Trends, *SPACInsider*, November 2021
- Panelist, Paris: new marketplace for SPACs?, *Option Droit & Affaires*, November 2021
- Tout comprendre aux SPACs, podcast La Martingale, June 2021, with J. Herbet
- Panelist, M&A trends and SPACs, *Les Echos*, May 2021
- Training course EFE on securities law, « Maîtriser les bases du droit boursier », 2018
- Lecture on employment shareholding « Actionnariat salarié » at the University of Montpellier I, 2014-2017
- Lecture on shareholding notifications « Franchissements de seuils » at the University of Paris-Sud 11, 2014

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The Legal 500: Mergers & Acquisitions - France 2024

APRIL 10, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn Paris Recognized in *The Legal 500 EMEA 2024*

MARCH 27, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Paris Teams Win Palmarès du Droit 2024 International Law Firm of the Year Award

MARCH 26, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Annie Maudouit-Ridde Elected to ADB Board of Directors

MARCH 19, 2024

RECOGNITIONS

Winston Ranked in *Leaders League 2024* for Brazil – International Firms, Capital Markets

NOVEMBER 3, 2023

RECOGNITIONS

Winston & Strawn Attorneys Recognized in *The Best Lawyers™ in France* 2024
JUNE 22, 2023

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The Legal 500: Mergers & Acquisitions - France
APRIL 12, 2023

BLOG

European Associates Come Together for Talent Development Seminar
JANUARY 13, 2023

SPONSORSHIP

Winston & Strawn Sponsors The SPAC Conference Europe 2022
DEC. 7-8, 2022

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Winston & Strawn’s Women’s Leadership Initiative Hosts European Region Seminar
JULY 21, 2022

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SPACs in France and in the European Union
JUNE 27, 2022

Capabilities

Capital Markets	Transactions	Corporate Governance	Mergers & Acquisitions
Public Companies	Financial Services	Food & Beverage	
Technology, Media & Telecommunications	Energy Transition	Media & Entertainment	