

## **Brachers bolsters corporate and commercial team with partner hire**

*Experienced lawyer Alex Cosgrove joins Brachers team*

Brachers is delighted that Alex Cosgrove has joined the corporate and commercial team as a partner, further strengthening this busy and successful area of the firm.

Alex advises corporates and lenders on a wide range of commercial transactions including project development and financing, corporate lending, joint venture and shareholding arrangements, construction and operation arrangements, and a wide range of commercial agreements.

Alex was previously Managing Counsel at a boutique firm in London, and prior to that worked at Latham & Watkins and Norton Rose Fulbright (where he qualified in 2005). During this time Alex has been based variously in London, Tokyo and Hong Kong developing significant international experience and expertise.

Alex's appointment comes as the firm continues to perform strongly, recording a record turnover in 2018 – up nearly 10% to £13.5 million – with corporate and commercial work a particular driver of that growth. An increase in transactional work and the appointment of experienced commercial partner Erol Huseyin in 2017 contributed to the success of the team.

Commenting on joining Brachers, Alex said: "I am very proud to be joining Brachers. The firm has an excellent track record in corporate and commercial work by a strong team with a much deserved reputation for the quality of its work across a wide range of clients. This is an exciting opportunity to join a dynamic and ambitious firm adding to their already proven international credentials."

Erol Huseyin, Commercial Partner at Brachers, said: "We are thrilled to bring Alex on board. He has extensive and impressive experience in the UK and internationally, and will be a great addition to our growing team. We have shown that businesses do not need to go to London for corporate and commercial legal advice and support. We are proud to be working with companies across the UK, Europe and beyond helping them with their deals, strategic projects and financing transactions. With Alex joining the firm, we are well-placed to build further on this unique offering."