RENEWABLE ENERGY





COMPANY PROFILE

- One of the largest law firms in Denmark an agile, rapidly expanding law firm with approximately 800 dedicated people.
- In addition to advising private Danish and international clients, we have been the sole designated legal advisor ("Kammeradvokaten") to the Danish government since 1936.
- Our market position is attracting an increasing number of corporate clients including banks, the insurance sector, private equity funds and lately the offshore industry.
- We are recognized for our leadership role in the digital transformation of the Danish legal industry.



A STRONG FOCUS ON GREEN TRANSITION

- As a firm, we take on corporate social responsibility by contributing to the green transition and the ambitions in the Danish Government's Climate Act.
- We wish to reduce our own carbon footprint, and we would also like to contribute through our legal advice.
- As far as we know, we are the first Danish law firm that has presented a carbon footprint report. We are proud of this, and it is a testament to sustainability being very important to our top management and that sustainability is also one of the benchmarks of our board of directors.

Read more in this brochure and see how we can assist you





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RENEWABLE ENERGY - A MARKET IN RAPID DEVELOPMENT

There is a large global demand for sustainable solutions in the field of renewable energy. This places significant demands in a market of high complexity and constantly changing regulation. Navigation in this market requires thorough knowledge of energy policy developments and the regulatory framework as well as a strong understanding of the strategic and commercial considerations involved in entering and operating in the field of renewable energy.

According to the ambitions of the Danish Government, Denmark is to be independent of fossil fuels, such as coal, oil and gas, by 2050. Achieving this goal requires a major expansion of renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar power and biogas, and production of fuels based on renewable energy sources.



WE ARE HERE TO ASSIST WITH UNIQUE EXPERT ADVICE

We advise clients in the energy sector on tenders, contracts and disputes from a comprehensive approach, integrating technical, commercial and legal expertise. Regardless of the scope of the project, we always focus on ensuring that our advice is solution-focused, with a practical and commercially desirable outcome.



COMPETENCIES AND PROFILE



RENEWABLE ENERGY PRACTICE PROFILE

- Our renewable energy practice has great experience with assisting clients within the renewable energy sector and with projects related to the transition into green energy.
- We have a team of senior specialists and many with significant in-house experience from leading industry players.
- We understand that valuable legal advice requires a strong dedication to finding solutions and a commitment to providing short and clear-cut answers on key risks and liabilities, which implies a crucial strategic approach.
- Our focus is to assist throughout the entire project life-cycle with a competitively priced approach and offering ad-hoc support on a project-by-project basis.
- At team level, we provide assistance with contracts and disputes in a wide range of Danish and international renewable energy projects, including more than 35 international wind projects where we assist with everything ranging from early procurement strategic considerations to actual contract negotiations



OUR TEAM HAS GLOBAL PROJECT EXPERIENCE WITHIN RENEWABLE ENERGY:

Denmark, Germany, United Kingdom, Belgium, Poland, USA, Japan, Vietnam, Taiwan, Norway, Ethiopia, Mongolia.

OFFSHORE WIND

Offshore wind projects involve a large number of contracts that must interact to achieve a successful outcome. The right contracts can help reduce the complexity of the project and provide clarity in case of disputes.

We have experience with most international standard offshore related contract formats, including in particular the FIDIC Yellow and Red Book, the FIDIC Silver Book, and the FIDIC White Book.

HOW CAN WE ASSIST YOU

We assist with strategic advice, negotiations, drafting, and implementation of all types of contracts related to the wind power industry, including:



- Design, manufacture and installation of offshore wind farms, substations, foundations, transition pieces, turbines and cables
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- Service and maintenance of offshore wind turbines, including the related performance guarantees that are necessary, such as availability warranty, as well as various framework agreements, purchase orders and general sales and delivery terms
- Vessel contracts in relation to jack-up vessels, crew transfer vessels, walk-to-work vessels, service operation vessels and accommodation vessels
- Offshore maritime services, such as marine warranty surveyor, certification work, standby and supply services, cable and pipe laying, transport and diving



POWER-TO-X (PTX) – CONVERSION OF ENERGY

Power-to-X (PtX) is a key component in ensuring green, efficient, and secure energy supply. The technology is available already, and we are now facing an expected substantial upscaling of the market. In this new market, we offer legal assistance from experts who are in a unique position to understand the legal challenges associated with PtX and have extensive regulatory insight in the field of energy and supply. In collaboration with our clients, we develop solutions to the regulatory challenges and design tailored contracts that meet the challenges brought about by the energy transition, relevant specifically to each individual project.



WE ARE HERE TO ASSIST YOU

We are a unique team of legal experts with many years of experience in the utility sector, environment and planning, EU and State aid, infrastructure, contracts and works projects, as well as complex transactions and contracts in the field of renewable energy. We are therefore able to assist with advice on all legal aspects in the field of Power to X and in the field of energy in general.

New political agreement in 2022 on the PtX strategy for Denmark

On 15 March 2022, a broad political majority adopted a new political agreement on Power to X, establishing a strategy for Denmark's promotion of the production of hydrogen and green fuels.

There is already a large market-driven potential, so now it is a question of making ends meet, including in the regulatory area.

BIOGAS

- The future substitute for natural gas. In an aggravated geopolitical context where immediate energy independence is required, the transition to biogas is more crucial to energy supply than ever before.
- We have assisted the Danish Government for years with advice on the regulatory challenges related to the transition to biogas.





WE PROVIDE ASSISTANCE ON A WIDE RANGE OF ASPECTS, FOR EXAMPLE:

- Project and acquisition financing
- Purchase and sale of biogas projects
- Project development
- Subsidy schemes
- Company law
- Real estate
- Utilities

- Environment and planning
- Green certificates
- Drafting of and commenting on the contractual set-up, including agreements on purchase and sale of biogas, EPC agreements, O&M agreements, supply agreements, etc.



CARBON CAPTURE & STORAGE (CCS)

CCS is short for Carbon Capture and Storage, which means capture and storage of CO2. CCS is a well-known technological process previously used for increasing output from oil and gas production but now used for reducing CO2 emissions by underground storage of CO2.

Due to the global focus on green transition, it will be a competitive edge for all market operators to be at the forefront of any regulatory challenges and contract law issues in connection with CCS.

WE ARE HERE TO ASSIST YOU - WE OFFER A TO Z SOLUTIONS, INCLUDING LEGAL ADVICE ON, FOR EXAMPLE:

- The setting up of business structures for investments, ownership agreements, etc.
- Assistance with the maturity of projects, such as CO2 capture plants
- Ensuring rights in connection with land acquisition
- Advice on environmental regulation
- Construction contracts in connection with the construction of CCS-related industrial installations
- Commercial agreements with CO2 buyers
- Transport and shipping agreements and agreements on permanent storage etc.

- Competition law analyses and cross-cutting cooperation agreements
- CCS advice in relation to reducing CO2 and achieving climate objectives, among other things in connection with EU's taxonomy regulation
- IPR advice (intellectual property rights) in connection with new CCS technologies, such as observance of the rights of others, ensuring own rights and the conclusion of licence agreements
- Marketing advice with a focus on avoiding greenwashing



SOLAR POWER

SOLAR POWER IS A CRUCIAL PART OF ACHIEVING A GREEN, EFFICIENT AND SECURE ENERGY SUPPLY.

We have extensive experience in assisting solar power developers with legal advice in the fields of project and acquisition financing, purchase and sale of solar farms, project development, company law, real estate, utilities, environment and planning, subsidy schemes, and drafting of and commenting on the contractual set-up, including power purchase agreements (PPAs), EPC agreements, O&M agreements, supply agreements, grid connection agreements, etc.



WE ARE HERE TO ASSIST YOU

We have a dedicated team of legal experts in the fields of financing, company law, real estate, utilities, environment, etc., who are used to working together and ready to respond to urgent requests and to provide expert advice when needed.

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Poul Schmith is a full-service law firm. We offer our clients specialised legal advice in highly regulated sectors critical to society across general government and the private business sector. In our work, we contribute to a business sector in development and a society in balance by developing innovative, long-term and legally viable solutions.

We are the preferred law firm of the Danish Government as a result of our long-standing role of legal advisor to the Danish Government. We are proud of that, and we treasure it. As the legal advisor to the Danish Government, we bear a great responsibility on behalf of the community. We take sustainability seriously by contributing to our clients acting responsibly and sustainably in their choices and long-term solutions; by focusing on sustainable decisions on green transition; by the human aspect in our programmes for health, diversity and talent development, etc.; and by having a responsible and modern management.







