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Anne-Marie Godfrey has extensive experience of advising investment managers throughout Asia on the establishment and regulation of hedge funds, private equity funds and retail funds. She counsels extensively on European regulatory issues (including Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD)) and obtains Securities and Futures Commission authorization for Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities funds for distribution to the retail public in Hong Kong.

Anne-Marie has also advised on the listing of investment funds on the Irish stock exchange and the London Alternative Investment Market, and she advises extensively on prime brokerage agreements, International Swaps and Derivatives Association master agreements, netting agreements and credit support documentation, as well as on other derivative instruments. She has considerable experience regarding the acquisition of fund management companies and in seed agreements. She advise sovereign and institutional investors on private equity and hedge fund investments.

Anne-Marie is recognized as a leading lawyer for funds and investment management in Chambers Asia, IFLR1000 (Asia-Pacific) and the Legal 500 Asia Pacific. In Chambers Asia 2019, she is listed as a notable practitioner for her hedge fund work, and clients praise her understanding of the hedge fund world, commenting that “she knows what’s important to managers. She works very efficiently and expeditiously and she’s very good at explaining the legal issues in layman terms.” In the same publication she is noted as “very accessible and very responsive.”

The editors of Asia Pacific Legal 500 2019 note that Anne-Marie’s team deliver an “excellent end-to-end user service to Asian and international sponsors and institutional investors in relation to all aspects of the funds life-cycle.” Anne-Marie has also been recognized as a leading individual in 2019.