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Richard acts on a wide range of financial and corporate restructurings, distressed M&A and formal insolvency proceedings. He represents banks, credit investors, companies and shareholders and acts for insolvency practitioners on formal insolvency proceedings. Richard has considerable recent cross border and international experience across Europe, the US and Latin America.



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Olga is the partner heading Linklaters asset finance practice. She has extensive experience in the financing of maritime and aviation assets, as well as a range of corporate work in the maritime and aviation sectors. In recent years, Olga advised on the distressed restructuring of Zim, the business combination between Hapag Lloyd AG and CSAV SA, the acquisitions, restructurings and refinancings of several off-shore businesses including EP Gas Limited, Seajacks International Ltd. and Iremis (formerly Gulmar Offshore), joint ventures between shipping companies and private equity investors, and corporate transactions in the aviation sector. Olga also has extensive experience in the sale and acquisition of loan portfolios across a range of asset classes

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