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Katja Heikkinen specialises in energy and infrastructure transactions and development projects. She is part of Hannes Snellman's Helsinki-based Energy Team and has extensive experience in complex large-scale renewable energy and infrastructure transactions, joint ventures, and other cooperation arrangements, especially in the fields of onshore and offshore wind and solar power. In addition, Katja provides general advice during the development and operational phase on real estate, commercial, corporate, and contract law.

Prior to joining Hannes Snellman, Katja worked as an associate lawyer in another law firm and as a legal trainee in a major energy company. She also has a polytechnic degree in financial management and several years of experience in accounting.

REFERENCES

- Counsel to ib vogt in BESS Project Disposal to Renewable Power Capital Nordics, 2024
- Counsel to Valorem in its entry to Swedish market, 2024
- Counsel to Exilion in the construction of a 70 MWp solar PV project, 2024
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in the negotiation of contractual arrangements for the expansion of the Korsnäs offshore wind farm development project, 2023
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in the Pyhäjoki-Raahe and Närpiö offshore wind power development projects, 2023
- Counsel to Myrsky Energia in the formation of a 1.8 GW wind power joint venture with CIP, 2023
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in the offshore wind project joint venture with Vattenfall, 2022
- Counsel to Gasgrid Finland Oy in connecting Hamina LNG terminal to the Finnish natural gas transmission network, 2022
- Counsel to Exilion Wind in the formation of a wind power joint venture with BayWa r.e. Nordic, 2022
- Counsel to Finsilva in the development of Vermassalo wind farm, 2022
- Counsel to Exilion in the construction and financing of Isokangas and Palokangas wind farms, 2022
- Counsel to Areim in the acquisition of an office property, 2022
- Counsel to Enersense International Oyj in acquisition of onshore windfarm developer Megatuuli Oy, 2021
- Counsel to Areim in its multi-tenant office and retail property acquisition, 2021
- Counsel to Castellum in EUR 200 million office portfolio disposal to Nyfosa, 2021

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- Counsel to Castellum in EUR 640 million acquisition of Kielo, 2021
- Counsel to Barings in logistics asset acquisition, 2021
- Counsel to YIT in Finland's largest wind power project disposal, 2021
- Counsel to YIT in wind power development project, 2020
- Counsel to Tornator in wind development project portfolio disposal, 2020
- Counsel to Exilion Tuuli in the acquisition of the wind power production and development business of St1, 2020
- Counsel to Areim in its disposal of a 14,000-sqm office property in Vantaa, 2020
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in its divestment of the development stage wind power project Tolpanvaara, 2020
- Counsel to YIT in the divestment of a pre-construction stage wind power project of Peuralinna to Suomen Hyötytuuli Oy, 2019
- Counsel to LähiTuuli in the development and divestment of a pre-construction stage wind power project of Metsäamminkangas to OX2, 2019
- Counsel to Schroder Nordic Real Estate Fund in its acquisition of 11,230m² office building in Helsinki, 2019
- Counsel to Patrizia Immobilien in its divestment of an office building in Helsinki, 2019
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in its divestment of a pre-construction stage wind power project to OX2, 2019
- Counsel to Areim Fund III in an acquisition of a portfolio of eight office properties, 2018
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in its 300 MW wind power project disposals, 2018
- Counsel to Kojamo plc in its disposal non-restricted rental apartments to a fund managed by Morgan Stanley Real Estate Investing, 2018
- Counsel to a fund managed by J.P. Morgan Asset Management in its disposal of a 66,680 sqm logistics property in Espoo to a fund managed by Genesta, 2018
- Counsel to Schroder in an acquisition of a portfolio of nine office properties located in the Greater Helsinki area, 2017
- Counsel to a fund managed by Barings Real Estate Advisers in its acquisition of an office-to-hotel conversion project from the Confederation of Finnish Construction Industries RT, 2017
- Counsel to J.P. Morgan in the disposal of office property portfolio, 2017
- Counsel to Barings Real Estate Advisers in its acquisition of Entresse shopping mall from CapMan, 2017
- Counsel to Barings in a disposal of 50% stake of Kamppi shopping centre, 2017
- Counsel to a fund managed by J.P. Morgan Asset Management in its disposal of a 11,200 sqm office property in Helsinki to a fund managed by Genesta, 2017
- Counsel to VVO Group in its disposal of major residential portfolio, 2016
- Counsel to Eurus Energy Holdings Corporation in its acquisition of two wind farms in Finland from Maas Capital Renewables and YARD ENERGY, 2016
- Counsel to a fund managed by PATRIZIA Immobilien AG in the acquisition of a 9,000 sqm office property from Fennia Life Insurance Company Ltd, 2016
- Counsel to Metsähallitus in its divestment of wind farm project to Taaleri Plc private equity fund and Loiste Energia Oy, 2016
- Counsel to Veolia in a JV with Neste Corporation and Borealis, 2016
- Counsel to Ratios AB (publ), Varma Mutual Pension Insurance Company and Redito AB in a formation of Serena Properties AB, 2015
- Counsel to Niam in its acquisition of Kaari shopping centre, 2015

RANKINGS

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- "Drive, juridical knowledge.", IFLR1000, 2023

MEMBERSHIPS AND POSITIONS OF TRUST

- Member of the Finnish Bar Association

PUBLICATIONS

- Article "Electronic Bills of Lading and Some Finnish Considerations" published in Marlus 459 (by Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law, 2015)

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

- Specialist Partner, Hannes Snellman, 2024
- Managing Associate, Hannes Snellman, 2021
- Senior Associate, Hannes Snellman, 2019
- Associate Lawyer, Hannes Snellman, 2015
- Associate Lawyer, Bergmann Attorneys at Law, 2014-2015
- Master of Laws, University of Helsinki, 2014
- Legal Trainee, Neste Shipping Oy, 2013
- University of Sheffield, 2012-2013
- Bachelor of Business Administration, Haaga-Helia, 2010

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