

## Eimear Murphy

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Eimear Murphy is a transactional lawyer with over 15 years of experience advising clients in the upstream oil and gas financing market. She has advised borrowers, banks, traders and international financial institutions on reserve based lending, acquisition finance, prepayment financings and syndicated lending. Eimear has experience advising on cross-border transactions in Europe, Africa, Latin America and the Middle East, including several acquisition and bid processes in the upstream market.

Eimear has been recognised by *Chambers Global* (2024-2025) in UK – Energy & Natural Resources: Oil & Gas and *Chambers UK* as “Up and Coming” (2022-2024) in Energy & Natural Resources: Oil & Gas: “Eimear is very switched on and very responsive.” (*Chambers UK*, 2024). She was also listed as a “Rising Star” (2020-2021) and “Next Generation Partner” (2022-2025) in Finance – Emerging Markets by *The Legal 500 UK*, and as a key lawyer for Bank Lending: Investment Grade Debt and Syndicated Loans: “She is committed, proactive, a good communicator, and she demonstrates a deep understanding of the legal and commercial aspects of the oil and gas industry. This enables her to advise clients on more than the legal aspects of a transaction, which sets her aside as a legal adviser.” “She is an exceptional lawyer. She is highly responsive and brings a lot of value and expertise to transactions.” (*Chambers, UK* 2025).

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## Experience

### DNB Bank

- lenders’ counsel for Serica Energy’s new \$525 million reserve-based lending facility

## **Etablissements Maurel & Prom SA**

- debt financing aspects to acquire Assala Energy from Carlyle, including a \$750 million bridge financing
- extension to \$600 million term loan facility with commercial banks and \$200 million shareholder loan
- \$600 million term loan facility entered into with a group of international banks to repay its existing indebtedness and fund the development of its assets in Gabon
- up to \$650 million revolving credit facility arranged by BNP Paribas, Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, Natixis and Standard Chartered Bank

## **Neptune Energy Group Holdings Limited**

- refinancing of \$1.5 billion senior secured borrowing base facilities agreement
- upsizing of senior secured reserve based lending facility to \$2.6 billion
- debt financing aspects of the \$3.9 billion acquisition of a majority stake in ENGIE E&P International

## **ING Bank N.V. and a syndicate of lenders**

- US\$450 million senior secured borrowing base facility for ONE-Dyas to fund oil and gas assets in the United Kingdom and the Netherlands
- US\$900 million borrowing base facility for ONE-Dyas based on oil and gas assets in the UK, Netherlands and Gabon

## **NEO Energy**

- senior borrowing base facilities agreement to, among other things, acquire Zennor Petroleum Limited, Exxon's UK North Sea Assets and Total's UK North Sea Assets
- junior financing to, among other things, acquire Total's UK North Sea Assets

## **Lender**

- a \$300 million prepayment agreement in connection with forward sale of crude oil in Nigeria

## **Borrower**

- a \$300 million senior secured facility agreement with a multi-lateral bank

## **Trader**

- a \$50 million prepayment agreement in connection with the forward sale of crude oil in Albania

## **Carlyle International Energy Partners**

- finance counsel in The Carlyle Group's acquisition of Occidental's entire onshore portfolio in Colombia for a total consideration of \$825 million

## **Seplat Petroleum Development Company plc**

- \$350 million revolving credit facility to fund the acquisition of Eland Oil Plc
- \$300 million financing secured by its oil and gas assets in Nigeria
- \$1.7 billion financing (comprising a revolving facility with international banks and a reserve based facility with Nigerian banks) in relation to oil and gas assets in Nigeria

## **Nephin Energy**

- advising the lenders in connection with a €150 million reserve based lending facility for Nephin Energy in connection with the Corrib gas field, offshore Ireland

## **Zennor Petroleum**

- advising the lenders in connection with a £170 million facility agreement to fund the development of the Finlaggan gas condensate field in the UK North Sea

## **Petrogas**

- \$265 million senior secured borrowing base facility, as borrower to refinance existing facilities and finance the development of petroleum assets in Oman

## **Lenders to Siccar Point Energy**

- borrowing base facility agreement to partially fund the acquisition of OMV's North Sea oil and gas business

## **FlowStream Commodities Limited**

- \$200 million stream to Cairn Energy

## **Société Générale and BNP Paribas**

- \$100 million secured borrowing base facility to Irminio in relation to its Italian petroleum assets

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## **Credentials**

### **Education**

- BPP Law School, UK, L.P.C., 2008, *with distinction*
- London School of Economics, LL.M., 2006, *with distinction*

- University College Dublin, B.B.L.S., 2004, *with distinction*

## Bar Admissions

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

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## Recognition

### ***Chambers Global***

- UK – Energy & Natural Resources: Oil & Gas, 2024 – 2025 (Up and Coming, 2024)

### ***Chambers UK***

- Energy & Natural Resources: Oil & Gas, 2022 – 2025 (Up and Coming, 2022 – 2024)

### ***The Legal 500 United Kingdom***

- Finance – Emerging Markets, 2018 – 2025 (Rising Star, 2020 – 2021; Next Generation Partner, 2022 – 2025)
- Projects, Energy and Natural Resources – Oil & Gas, 2021 – 2022, 2024
- Finance – Bank Lending: Investment Grade Debt and Syndicated Loans, 2020, 2024

## London School of Economics

- 11 Kings Bench Walk Prize, 2005 – 2006

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## Resources

### **SLLs – Greenwash or Not?**

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## Publications & Speeches

- "SLLs – Greenwash or Not?" *Petroleum Review*, Energy Institute, November 2021.
- "U.K. Government Continues the Fight for Shale," *Natural Gas World*, 2015.