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## TRANSACTIONAL

**Transactions / Russia** 

Russia: Expanding Opportunities for Foreign Investment in Major Oil and Gas Deposits

Jennifer A. Josefson, Alexandra A. Kotlyachkova

Amendments to Russia's Strategic Investment Law take effect in mid-December and should ease some of the current restrictions on foreign investment in the oil and gas superpower. More »

# **Corporate / London**

Focus on Shale Gas in the UK: Current Developments and Regulatory Considerations

Nina Howell, Susanna Marshall, Khaled Dahlawi

The development of potential shale gas opportunities in the UK continues to receive increasing interest from energy companies looking to diversify. More »

## **Project Development / Middle East Finance**

**Project Bonds - An Option For Project Finance in the Middle East?** *Rizwan H. Kanji, Lidia Kamleh* 

Given the prevailing economic climate, project sponsors should weigh a number of factors before incorporating project bonds into a project's capital funding structure.

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# **Transactions / Latin America Practice**

The Impact of the U.S. Secretary of State's Sanctions on PDVSA Vera de Gyarfas

U.S. sanctions on Venezuela's national oil company have not produced an immediate visible impact on U.S. companies with business related to Venezuela.

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## REGULATORY

Environmental

**EPA Releases Final Hydraulic Fracturing Study Plan** 

Lynn Kerr McKay, Drew T. Bell

On November 3, EPA released its final Plan to Study the Potential Impacts of Hydraulic Fracturing on Drinking Water Resources. The study will be EPA's most extensive review of hydraulic fracturing to date. More »

# In The News

European Commission Issues Guidance on How to Comply with EU Competition Law More »

# **Upcoming Events**

King & Spalding Seminar: Practical Solutions to Common Issues in the Energy Sector

#### Date:

Wednesday, December 7, 2011

## Agenda:

5:15 pm Registration 5:30-7:30 pm Seminar 7:30 pm Drinks and Canapés

#### Where:

King & Spalding 125 Old Broad Street London EC2N 1AR

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King & Spalding Energy Forum: New Frontiers in LNG Exports

<u>Date:</u> Tuesday,

# **Government Relations / Latin America Practice**

**Evolving Energy Relations between the United States and Brazil: Actions and Expectations from the Presidential Visits** 

Kendall W. Carter

Four principal areas of Brazil's carefully-planned energy policy informed recent discussions between President Obama and President Rousseff. More »

# **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

## **International Arbitration**

**Energy Trading Disputes: Accompanying a Revolution** 

Louis-Alexis Bret

Energy traders' moves into acquisition, ownership, and operation of large-scale assets have altered the landscape of energy trading disputes. More »

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Agenda:

7:30 am Registration and Breakfast 8:00 - 9:30 am Presentations / Q&A

Where:

The Houstonian Hotel, 111 North Post Oak Lane, Houston, Texas

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