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Asialaw Profiles is the guide to Asia-Pacific's leading domestic and regional law firms.

Published in print and online in October each year, it provides law firm recommendations and editorial analysis of 18 practice areas in 24 jurisdictions in the region – from Australia to Vietnam.

GRATA International was reviewed by Asialaw profiles 2016 as one of the leading experts and a premier law firm in Kazakhstan. The firm was recognized for its outstanding corporate and finance practices. Additionally, Asialaw Profiles highly recommended GRATA International in Capital Markets, Construction & Real Estate, M&A, Energy & Natural Resources, IT, Telecommunication & Media practices. Also the firm was recommended in Competition & Antitrust, Dispute resolution, Financial Services Regulatory, Intellectual Property, Labour & Employment, Project Finance, Restructuring & Insolvency and Tax practices.

“Grata operates in a very professional and efficient manner. The lawyers are experienced in representing the interests of foreign investors and have a good appreciation of the expectations of such clients and how to meet those expectations. They are able to apply creative solutions to complex problems to achieve their clients’ objectives,” says a UK-based lawyer.

Asialaw profiles also highly recommended Partners of GRATA International – **Shaimerden Chikanayev** (Head of Banking & Finance department), **Yerzhan Yessimkhanov**, (Head of Telecommunication & Transport, Construction & Infrastructure Department), **Bakhyt Tukulov** (Head of "Dispute resolution" department).

Shaimerden Chikanayev works on capital markets transactions, particularly on IPOs. He is also involved in M&A and banking transactions. The team has been involved in complex aviation finance and leasing transactions.

Yerzhan Yessimkhanov focuses on telecoms, real estate, construction and infrastructure. He is advising a consortium of major players in the Russia and Kazakhstan energy market in relation to the reconstruction of the largest electric energy producer in Kazakhstan. This includes drafting of construction contracts, advice on tax and customs, among other things. Grata has assisted Benetton Real Estate International with regard to the acquisition and further management of commercial premises in Kazakhstan.

Bakhyt Tukulov is seen by a client as “bright, creative and knowledgeable on dispute resolution issues.” The team is representing KazStroyService, Kazakhstan’s largest infrastructure construction company, in several proceedings against its subcontractor.

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