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His extensive experience includes representing regional and foreign companies as they get established in Costa Rica and Central America, spearheading complex multinational M&A transactions, designing and executing local and international corporate structures, and leading other relevant multinational corporate transactions throughout the region.

José María is also experienced advising clients on large scale real estate and hotel developments from their inception into their operational phases, including the legal design of real estate projects, the acquisition of real estate, construction, financing, and the negotiation of hotel and asset management contracts with international hotel operators.

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## **PRACTICE AREAS**

- Business law
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# **RECOGNITIONS**

• Recognized in Corporate/M&A practice by Chambers & Partners and WWL.

#### **ACCREDITATIONS**

#### Education

- Master's degree in Management, IE Business School, Spain, 2014
- Master's in Private Law, Universidad Carlos III, Spain, 2014
- Specialization in commercial law, Universidad de Costa Rica, 2011
- Law degree, Universidad de Costa Rica, 2008

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- English
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## **ASSOCIATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS**

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