

**MUKHTAR NURZHIGITOV****Partner**

Kazakhstan office

***Practice areas***

Mukhtar is primarily focused on international and local M&A and corporate transactions. He has more than 12 years of experience advising local and international clients, including banks, oil & gas companies, private investment funds and individual investors. Mukhtar has participated in many milestone projects in Kazakhstan and abroad, including IPOs, mergers & acquisition of banks and privatizations of state owned companies. Prior to joining the firm, Mukhtar was a Senior Associate with the law firm of White & Case and associate with other international and local law firms.

***Education***

- Georgetown University Law Center, LL.M. in Securities and Financial Regulation, 2010. Recipient of Edmund S. Muskie Scholarship and Bolashak Scholarship.
- Al Farabi Kazakh National University, Bachelor of International Law, 2005.

***Recent experience includes advising:***

- **An individual investor** in connection with acquisition of RBS Bank Kazakhstan (a subsidiary of Royal Bank of Scotland Plc).
- **The Ministry on Investments and Development of Kazakhstan** in preparation of the new Subsoil Use Code of Kazakhstan.
- **Kazzinc LLP, the biggest producer of zinc in Kazakhstan**, in acquisition of Zhairemskiy GOK (mining and processing plant) in Kazakhstan.
- **JSC ForteBank** in the first in Kazakhstan triple merger of JSC Alliance Bank, JSC Temirbank and JSC ForteBank.
- **A syndicate of international investment banks** in US\$ 1,5 billion bond offering by JSC National Company KazMunaiGas.
- **JSC Transmashdiesel**, a subsidiary of a major Russian railway company, in formation of a joint venture with General Electric and JSC Kazakhstan Temir Zholy for the manufacture of diesel engines.
- Led the project on advising **an international private equity fund** in acquisition of an agricultural business in the Republic of Kazakhstan.
- **Iluka Resources**, one of the biggest Australian mining holding company, in formation of a joint venture in Kazakhstan.
- Led the project on advising **JSC KazTransOil** in the first Peoples IPO in the Republic of Kazakhstan. Amount of the deal - US\$ 200 million.
- **A syndicate of international investment banks** in US\$ 700 million bond offering by JSC National Company Kazakhstan Temir Zholy.
- **A syndicate of international investment banks** in US\$ 2 billion bond offering by JSC Development Bank of Kazakhstan.
- Led the project on advising **JSC Eurasian Bank** in consolidation of business processes with Prosto Kredit LLP, a 100% subsidiary of Societe Generale Bank in Kazakhstan.
- **JSC Eurasian Bank** in connection with acquisition of BankPozitiv Kazakhstan.



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***Jurisdictions***

Kazakhstan.

***Languages***

Kazakh, Russian, English

***Associations/professional organizations:***

- Kazakhstan Bar Association;
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London.