

Maria Levin

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Maria is an M&A lawyer by background and a partner and co-head of Plesner's Energy & Infrastructure team. She advises on transactions and investments across the energy and infrastructure sectors, combining extensive deal experience with deep sector knowledge and regulatory insight.

PRACTICE AREAS

Energy and Infrastructure
Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)
M&A

Maria advises infrastructure funds, utilities and sponsors on acquisitions, divestments, joint ventures and platform investments. Her practice also covers project development and regulatory matters, particularly in biogas, wind, solar, PtX, oil and gas, and district heating. She is known for her commercial judgement, clear communication and pragmatic approach to complex matters.

Maria is individually ranked in Energy by Chambers Europe and is recognised as a Next Generation Partner in Energy by The Legal 500. Chambers highlights her work across a range of energy assets, while The Legal 500 notes her experience in M&A and joint ventures.

Maria joined Plesner in 2024 following a career at Kromann Reumert, where she worked from 2007 to 2023 and became a partner in 2020. She has extensive experience leading multidisciplinary teams on transactions and projects that require close coordination between M&A, energy regulation and other specialist areas.

Maria holds a Master of Laws from the University of Copenhagen and chairs the Association of Danish Law Firms' Special Committee on Climate. She has lectured on the board leadership programme at Copenhagen Business School and served

as an external lecturer at the University of Copenhagen.

Selected cases

- **Biogas platform** - advising the owners of DBC on their sale of the DBC biogas platform to St1 Biokraft
- **Nordic TSOs** - Advising Nordic TSOs on the establishment of the Nordic Regional Coordination Centre under EU Regulation 2019/943
- **Global infrastructure fund** - new model for delivery of projects, including DCMA, OMA and complex bonus models
- **Danish Oil Pipe (Ørsted)** - structuring, drafting and negotiation of operator agreement with TotalEnergies, Ørsted Salg & Service and Crossbridge respectively concerning the Danish oil pipe owned by Danish Oil Pipe
- **Sønderborg Varme** - several mergers, including merger with Augustenborg Fjernvarme, Broager Fjernvarme and Gråsten Fjernvarme

- **Nature Energy (now Shell)** - lead legal advisor for the sellers in connection with the sale of Nature Energy to Shell
- **Microsoft** - data center project
- **Better Energy** - assistance in connection with ATP's minority investment into Better Energy
- **BioCirc** - lead legal advisor for the different sellers in connection with BioCirc's first four acquisitions made
- **Innargi** - mandates for different district heating companies concerning geothermal project developed by Innargi
- **Pyrolysis JV** - developing and drafting JV for development, construction and operation of a pyrolysis plant
- **Lemvig Biogasanlæg and Lemvig Varmeværk** - advising on the sale of the Lemvig biogas plant to BioticNRG, managed by Palisade Real Assets, as part of a wider restructuring of the local energy and district heating system, including transaction structuring, asset transfers, municipal processes and financing matters
- **Large utility company** - development of nearshore wind project, including also for example multiple crossing agreements
- **Ørsted** - advising on its sale of Middelgrunden nearshore wind turbines to HOFOR
- **DBC Invest A/S** - assistance in connection with the acquisition of OL Biogas, investment in BB Biogas, Vrejlev Biogas (incl. regulatory work with respect to subsidy grants), acquisition of Nordic Green Energineering and purchase of additional shares in Grauballegaard Biogas
- **Nature Energy** - at the time (2020) the world's largest biomethane sale agreement between Nature Energy and Shell

SELECTED CASES

Ratings

2026

Maria Levin is listed as Leading Lawyer (Notable Practitioner) as regards Project development, M&A and Energy.

2026 **Chambers Europe**

Maria Holst Levin is ranked as a leading individual as regards regards Energy.

"Maria Holst Levin is a star"

"Maria Holst Levin is very to the point and considered"

2026 **Legal 500**

Maria Holst Levin is recommended and listed as a Next Generation Partner as regards Energy.

2025 **Chambers Europe**

Maria Holst Levin is ranked as Up and Coming as regards Energy.

"Maria Holst Levin is very well reputed"

"She has extensive knowledge in M&A and energy law, and approaches her work pragmatically and with solid commercial understanding"

2021 - 2025 **Legal 500**

Maria Holst Levin is recommended and listed as a Next Generation Partner as regards Energy.

"Maria Holst Levin delivers deals which both parties appreciate. She's good and finds acceptable solutions to allow all parties to move forward" (2023)

"Maria Holst Levin is extremely talented and a very good leader. Always ahead of her clients and very service minded. She is capable of handling and negotiating highly complicated agreements and issues. Last, she is very structured and any client can feel very safe having her on their side" (2022)

2024 **Chambers Europe**

Maria Holst Levin is ranked as Up and Coming as regards Energy.

"She has a really in-depth understanding of the industry and our business. She is very pragmatic"

"Maria Holst Levin is very attentive and smart"

2023 - 2024 **Client Choice Awards**

Maria Holst Levin has received a Client Choice Award for Denmark in the category Energy & Natural Resources.

"The quality of Maria's work is outstanding, and she can connect the legal work to our company's strategy" (2023)

"Maria Holst Levin is simply outstanding. She is very easy to talk to, extremely talented and has excellent communications skills. She can make even the most complicated issue seem easy" (2023)

"Maria not only comprehensively and clearly lays out the legal framework surrounding the issue at hand but suggests and implements practical solutions to achieving the commercial objective" (2023)

"Maria abilities to orchestrate and provide legal and commercial support has been outstanding" (2023)

"Maria has extensive knowledge in sustainable forms of energy and is good at conveying this knowledge to her client in a way that is very understandable" (2023)

"Maria is extremely diligent and always on top of things and yet able to be pragmatic when required" (2023)

2023 **Women in Law Awards**

Maria Holst Levin has been chosen as "Energy Law Lawyer of the Year" in the Women in Law Awards.

2023 **WWL**

Maria Holst Levin is recommended as an expert as regards Energy.