



Investment Fund services in Japan

Ogier's dedicated Japan-focused Investment Funds team spans six jurisdictions: Tokyo, Hong Kong, Ireland, London, Luxembourg and the Cayman Islands. We have teams providing legal, trustee, governance and corporate administration services tailored to the Japan market and provide Japanese and English language support to Japanese clients wishing to leverage Ogier's global network.

We work with clients from across sectors and have particular expertise assisting Japanese institutional investors allocating to alternatives, including hedge funds, private equity, venture capital, private debt and infrastructure. Our experts can advise across the full fund life cycle, including formation, fund finance and fund disputes.

Our corporate and fiduciary services division, Ogier Global, works closely with Ogier's partner-led legal teams to incorporate and administer a range of vehicles including unit trust structures, corporate and partnership structures.

We act for leading global financial institutions, investment managers and corporate entities and are also instructed by many leading law firms and intermediaries.

Ogier in Tokyo and Hong Kong



Ogier's global network spans Asian, European, US and Middle Eastern timezones where we advise on the following laws: British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guernsey, Ireland, Jersey and Luxembourg.



Our Tokyo office is bilingual in Japanese and English, and our team has more than 25 years of experience in offshore legal and fiduciary services required by Japanese clients.



Ogier has a large team of lawyers specialising in international finance and corporate law, with a particular emphasis on investment funds, private equity, mergers and acquisitions, capital markets, finance and dispute resolution.

Ogier opened its Tokyo office in 2008 and the team has in-depth knowledge of the Japan market. We provide effective support services across the entire transaction range.

Services include:

- Legal services
- Unit trust and charitable trust formation
- Trustee services for unit trusts and charitable trusts
- Fund administration
- Entity formation and administration, including exempted limited partnerships, segregated portfolio companies and SPVs
- Independent director services
- AML officers
- Cayman PPoC services



Ogier's Investment Funds services in Asia

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Ogier's Hong Kong-based lawyers specialise in Cayman and BVI law and provide services from fund formation, structuring and regulation to fund termination, as well as ongoing advice to investment funds and managers.

Complemented by our corporate and fiduciary division, Ogier Global, we offer complete solutions spanning structuring and governance, administration and regulatory compliance.

Ogier's investment funds specialists are able to deliver real value to our clients' businesses based on commercial understanding and our experience working with sponsors, asset managers, financial institutions, regulators and adjacent industries such as accountants.

The Cayman Islands Unit Trust has long been the investment fund of choice for the Japan market when it comes to using foreign domiciled funds - though we see partnership structures in the context of private equity and venture capital funds, as well as demand for closed ended type unit trusts.

Ogier Global houses one of the go-to independent trustees in this market with a team that has decades of experience servicing Cayman Islands unit trust structures.

The popularity of Luxembourg structures has also increased, which is why our Japan-focused team also includes Luxembourg lawyers, advising on UCITS as well as Luxembourg-domiciled private equity structures. Ireland is another domicile used by Japanese fund managers to raise funds in Europe. We can also assist with Irish fund structures from our Dublin office.

Ogier is an authorised registered agent of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, Euronext Dublin and the Channel Islands Stock Exchange.

Outside of Hong Kong, we have more than 90 lawyers practicing Cayman Islands and BVI law, enabling us to respond to clients at any time of the day.

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