

Ogier advises on \$22.5 billion gold mining merger

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Ogier has advised on the \$22.5bn billion merger between Randgold Resources and Barrick Gold which has been approved by the Jersey court, creating the world's biggest gold mining company.

The merger – effected by way of a Jersey Scheme of Arrangement – brings together two of the world's biggest mining firms, and creates a new market leader in gold mining.

An Ogier team led by partners Raulin Amy (corporate) and Nick Williams (dispute resolution) led the team advising Randgold, a long-standing client of the firm, on the Jersey law aspects of the merger alongside Norton Rose Fulbright in London and New York.

The team included corporate managing associate Alexander Curry and dispute resolution senior associate James Angus.

The new group owns gold mines and deposits including the Kibali mine in the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Cortez mine in Nevada.

Raulin said: "Randgold Resources is a long-standing client of the firm and we are pleased to have advised them on this major step. We look forward to working with them in the future as they continue to implement their business plan.

"This was a great, high value cross-border M&A deal to be involved with."

"For major natural resources companies operating across international borders and timezones, international structuring including Jersey vehicles is frequently used, and our corporate law team has significant experience in advising on matters relating to ongoing corporate administration and M&A activity."

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