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### Corporate and M&A

Securities Markets

Banking and Finance

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Marta López-Brea Prous is a principal associate in the commercial law practice at Garrigues, where she has worked since 1997. She has extensive experience in securitisations, as well as in other types of structured transactions (structured bonds, financial derivatives, project finance, project bonds, corporate finance) and other banking transactions. In line with this experience, it has participated in many of the most innovative securitisation and structured finance transactions carried out in Spain in recent years, which has been recognised by various national and international publications.

### Experience

Marta López-Brea Prous is a principal associate in Garrigues' Corporate/Commercial Law practice since 2012.

She has extensive experience in asset securitisations (CMBS, ABS, securitisation of NPLs and other assets), a practice in which she has been working since 1997, and has participated in numerous domestic and international transactions since then, including the setting up of more than 75 securitisation funds since the implementation of Spanish securitisation regulations in 2015. It also has extensive experience in other types of structured transactions (direct lending, project finance, structured bonds and financial derivatives).

In line with this experience, it has been participating in many of the most innovative securitisation and structured finance transactions carried out in Spain in recent years, which has been recognised by various national and international publications, including:

- The first securitisations under the new Securitisation Regulation, including the first STS transactions in Spain and SRTs in Spain and Europe, including, among others, the Sabadell Consumo I transaction, which received the award for the best securitisation in Europe by IFR.
- The first transactions of non-performing assets (NPLs) carried out in Spain, both with foreign and Spanish vehicles.

- The creation of an innovative pan-European direct lending platform, as well as other structured finance operations and direct lending platforms for different clients.
- The first operations of securitisation funds by compartments in Spain.

## Academic background

Law degree, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, majoring in business law (CEU San Pablo).

## Memberships

Marta López-Brea is a member of the Madrid Bar Association.

## Distinctions

Marta López-Brea is included, year after year, in the main international directories:

- Chambers & Partners, in the Capital Markets practice in Spain, in both its Chambers Global and Chambers Europe editions, which classify Marta López-Brea as a "star associate", forming part of the team of securities market experts highlighted by the directory and placing Garrigues as a leading firm in Spain.
- IFLR 1000, which has awarded her the title of "Rising Star" in Structured Finance and Securitisation, a directory that places Garrigues' practice at the top of its ranking.
- Legal 500, which has awarded her the title of "other key lawyers" of Capital Markets in Spain, including the following testimonial: *'Of the team I highlight mainly Gonzalo García Fuertes and Marta López-Brea.'* This directory places Garrigues Capital Markets (Debt)' practice at the top of its ranking.
- Best Lawyers (Capital Markets in Spain).

Marta López-Brea is also a member of Garrigues' securitisation team, which was named, in 2020, 'European finance team of the year' at 'The Lawyer European Awards', which annually recognise the work of the best firms on the continent in different categories thanks to the Sabadell Consumo I securitisation transaction (best European structured finance transaction - EMA Structured Finance Issue - by IFR). Christian Fahey highlighted the innovation and creativity of the Garrigues team in proposing imaginative solutions and resolving complex legal issues.

## Publications

Co-author of various articles published in the International Law Review.