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Jean-Pierre (JP) Douglas-Henry has over 30 years' experience of advising clients in more than 45 countries on regulatory matters, compliance and disputes. As Managing Director for Sustainability and Resilience, he sits on the Executive Committee of the international firm and has responsibility for environmental, social and governance (ESG) matters, innovation and resilience. JP has broad experience of advising on sustainability and ESG issues. He strongly believes that lawyers need to innovate and think "outside of the box" in order to solve problems and leverage opportunities, and that good governance is the foundation of resilience in a fast-moving and ever-changing commercial, political and social context.

JP has decades of experience advising clients on governance, regulatory and compliance issues, representing them in high stakes disputes, and advising on risk management and strategic issues. He has particular knowledge of the financial services and energy and natural resources industries, and has acted for a range of banks, energy and natural resources companies, governments and state-owned enterprises. He has particular experience in complex cross-border matters and class actions or collective redress representation.

JP co-chaired DLA Piper's Litigation and Regulatory group for five years, overseeing one of the world's largest compliance, regulatory and disputes practices. His current role, as the Managing Director responsible for Sustainability and Resilience, reflects the evolution of his practice to include a focus on sustainability and ESG, and oversight of the firm's award-winning Radical Change programme which provides innovative legal and non-legal products and solutions for clients.

Over the years, JP has acted for a number of governments, often in a post-conflict zone context or following civil society engagement, to bring about change and assist with reform, recovery and reconstruction programmes. JP co-led the team that provided pro bono support to the UK and Egyptian Governments as Presidents of COP26 in Glasgow in 2021 and COP27 in Sharm el Sheikh in 2022

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