

# Private Equity Group

Helping Private Equity Funds address their challenges



The Private Equity Fund industry in Ireland has experienced significant growth in recent years. This development can be attributed to our favourable legal and tax framework, highly skilled and experienced service providers, and government-led initiatives. All this has led to Ireland being ideally placed to benefit from increased investor interest in private equity assets.

## **Our clients**

Our clients include local and international investment managers and investment funds; private equity funds and multi-manager investment funds of funds. Each entity has adopted a variety of structures, designed specifically to suit individual strategies.

## **Our services**

Our services support private equity funds from the initial launch phase, right through to ongoing compliance and reporting. We offer a multi-disciplinary range of services which includes audit, advisory, tax, valuations and regulatory advice to address the many issues facing the Private Equity sector, particularly those from accounting, taxation and regulatory perspectives.

## **Audit & accounting advice**

Our private equity funds audit clients include many different structures, e.g.: Companies, Trusts or Partnerships; and are based in a number of jurisdictions. We have extensive experience in auditing clients that apply IFRS, US GAAP or other accounting frameworks. Our private equity audit team includes 13 audit partners who are ably supported by a strong group of professionals. We are very familiar with the challenges that face the sector, particularly meeting your financial reporting obligations. We bring the skills and experience from across KPMG to ensure that you receive the most appropriate valuation methodologies, potential consolidation, accounting for performance fees and financial risk disclosures.

### Tax strategies and structuring

Our tax team are leaders in advising on appropriate tax management and tax planning structures that match your fund's investment strategy. We can also perform detailed tax due diligence on the tax exposures of potential targets.

### Valuations

We work closely with our Global Corporate Finance Network and have a wealth of experience in valuing private equity investments. We can provide independent valuations, as well as valuations to support the audit. We can provide advice on portfolio valuations to help fulfil your fiduciary responsibilities.

### Regulatory and compliance

Our regulatory specialists are well positioned to provide advice on the impact of relevant regulatory rules on Private Equity funds including the impact of AIFMD, Solvency II and the Pensions Fund Directive for example.

### Transaction services

Our senior Transaction Services team includes a Buy Side, Sell Side and strategy professionals. We have a proven methodology for supporting organisations coming to the public markets and for providing due diligence support on acquisitions of investments.

Our Buy Side professionals provide merger, acquisition and divestiture support. Throughout the lifecycle of a transaction, we focus on the early identification of the key risks and rewards that will matter most to stakeholder value. To do this, we go beyond traditional due diligence to address factors such as deal financing, compensation arrangements, capital markets regulatory assistance and deal structure.

Our strategy professionals will help you to validate and address specific business issues that are likely to impact the future financial results from a particular transaction.

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