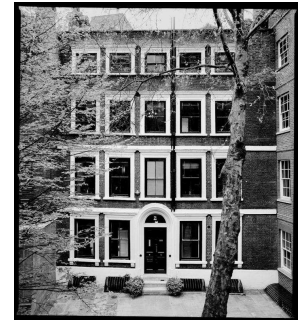


Augusta & Co Profile

Augusta & Co is an independent European merchant bank providing corporate finance and capital markets advice and services to middle market companies. We combine this advice with direct access to institutional debt and equity investors. By combining both advice and access, we help our clients select from the best alternatives offered by the capital markets. We call this combination Strategic Corporate Finance.

Augusta is wholly owned by its partners and employees, ensuring our independence from any product provider and enabling us to take a long-term approach to client relationships.

Since formation in late 2002, Augusta has advised on and directly placed transactions in value over €3.5 billion and established itself as one of the leading independent advisers for middle market companies.








Strategic Corporate Finance

Middle market clients requiring advice and capital are often neglected as a result of the consolidation in the investment banking industry. We address this need by providing independent advice to our clients on all aspects of their strategic and capital goals.

| Capital Markets | M&A | Private Equity | Industry Research |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We advise on the best source and structure of finance We act as agent in the placing of the financing We provide rating agency support We run the book-building or syndication process We negotiate the finance documentation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We offer independent, informed and objective advice We offer a highly personal and discrete service We provide hands-on senior involvement We have proven domestic and cross-border experience We have longstanding personal contacts in various industries | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We act as an outsourced deal management and financing function We advise on the sourcing, processing and execution of secondary private equity transactions We advise and act for funds in specific niche fundraisings | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We undertake in-depth industry and market research We undertake commercial due diligence, competitive analysis and extensive industry interviews We use a combination of financial analysis and management consulting skills |

Augusta's professionals are drawn from leading investment banks and have worked extensively with middle market companies and investors across Europe and the US. The team brings together senior professionals from different corporate finance and capital markets disciplines such as leveraged debt, private and public equity and M&A. Our Strategic Corporate Finance advice is therefore based on broad product experience as well as current market knowledge derived from regular investor dialogues. Underpinning this advice is intellectually rigorous analysis and extensive research.

Selection of Recent Augusta & Co's Corporate Finance Transactions

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| <p>2008</p>  <p>Greenview COMPOSTING LTD</p> <p>Development equity & debt placement</p> | <p>2008</p> <p>PROJECT PEGASUS</p> <p>M&A advisor to a leading German family business</p> | <p>2008</p>  <p>PLATINA FINANCE LIMITED</p> <p>Sale of 36MW of windfarms in France</p> | <p>2007</p>  <p>Schoeller Arca Systems</p> <p>€428m buyside M&A advisory</p> | <p>2007</p>  <p>Multibrid</p> <p>€150m M&A sellside advisory</p> | <p>2007</p>  <p>Plambeck® Neue Energien</p> <p>Equity placement in 400MW offshore windpark</p> | <p>2007</p> <p>H&R</p> <p>€27.5m senior debt placement</p> |
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