

Natural Gas



Who We Are

Felsberg Advogados is a full-service law firm founded in 1970 and defined by its ability to combine experience, tradition and excellence with efficient, fast and focused service, offering innovative solutions in a constantly changing world.

The combination of individual, joint and complementary values, with a tradition established over five decades of service, means that we have a broad and all-encompassing vision that meets the current and future legal requirements of all our clients, from the biggest corporate groups to the freshest of startups.

This is what makes us unique, different and prepared.

Our History

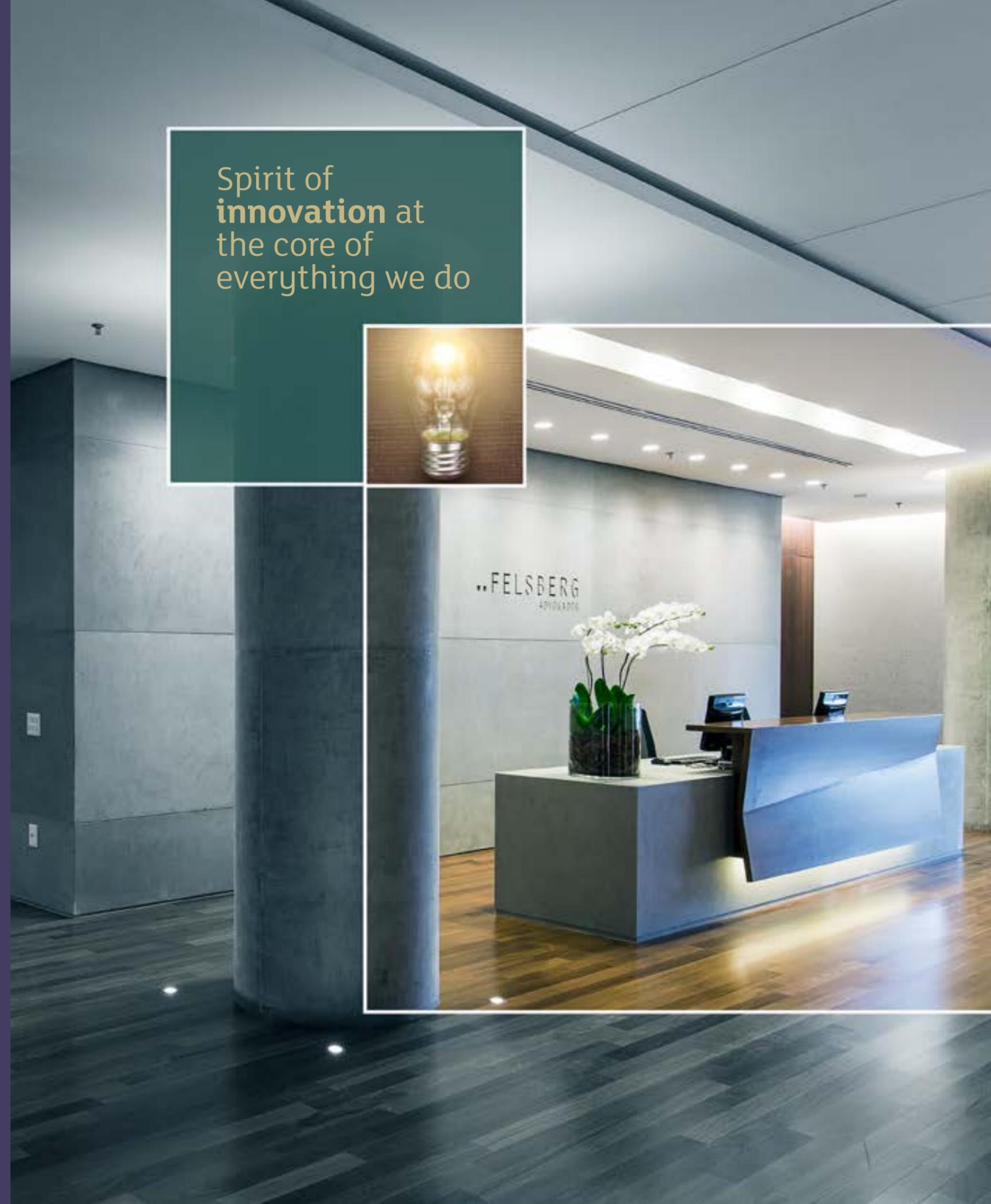
Founded by Thomas Felsberg, the firm has always had an innovative spirit at the core of everything it does.

Long before we were recognized as pioneers in judicial restructuring, we were one of the first firms to advise on aviation financing and contribute to the development of project finance and venture capital in Brazil.

More recently, we inaugurated new practice areas such as fashion law, innovation and startups, intellectual property, life sciences, antitrust, compliance and white-collar crime. We also anticipated future demands with new fintech and payment systems as well as data protection and technology departments and a specialised gaming law team.

More than service providers, we are partners.

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Our Principles

Social Responsibility

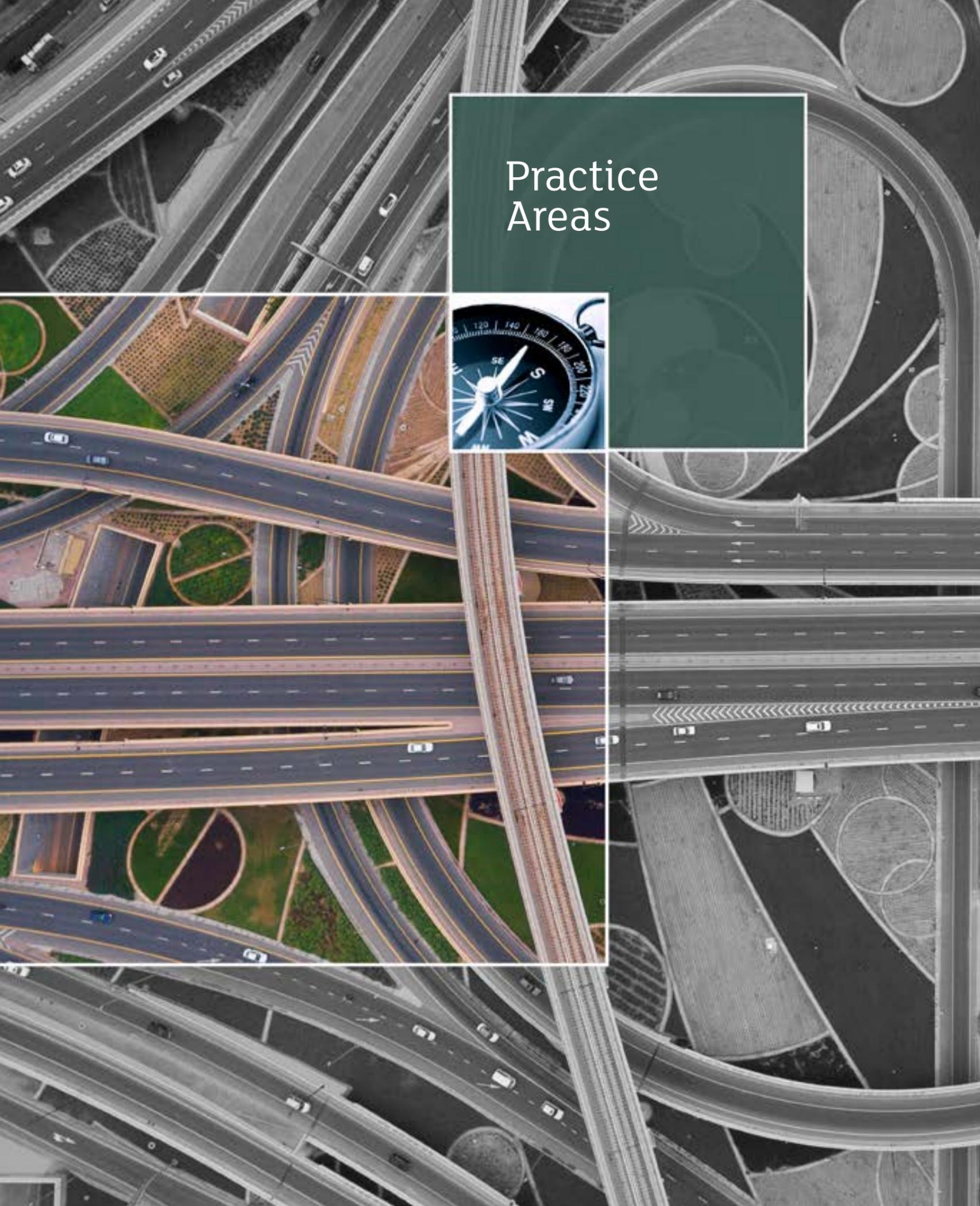
We are committed to encouraging social, cultural and educational projects.

Among the projects we support are Vaga Lume (creating and maintaining libraries in the Amazon), Americas Amigas (fighting breast cancer among lower-income women in Brazil), APAQ (treatment of burns victims), and AB2L (for the creation of dialogue among law firms and tech companies). Our fashion law team, in particular, devotes pro bono hours to two institutes in the fashion industry: Fashion Revolution (uniting the fashion industry in the way clothes are sourced, produced and consumed) and Instituto Alinha (connecting small workshops with designers and brands at fair prices and deadlines). Over the past two years, our legal professionals provided more than 500 pro bono hours.

Diversity

Talent does not come with a label. For this reason, we focus on selecting and rewarding the best minds, regardless of gender, color, social class, sexual or religious orientation. Respect for diversity is reflected in our values. Among our partners, more than 50% are women, and within our office as a whole, 57% are women. Salary levels for men and women are equal within each function. Healthcare benefits are extended to all spouses, regardless of sexual orientation.

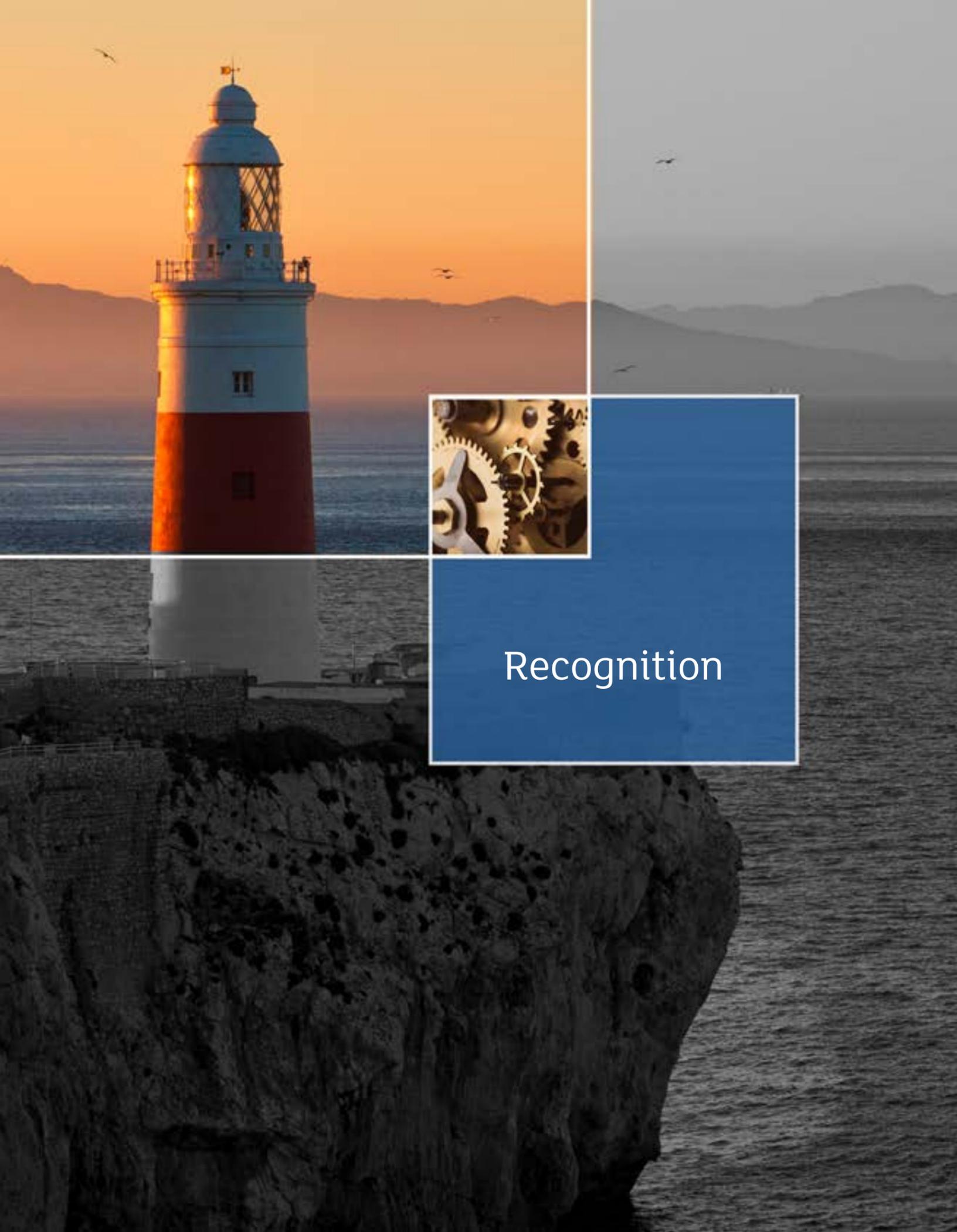
DiversiFeA, our Committee of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion comprising partners, other fee-earners and staff, promotes regular initiatives and events for the well-being of all members of the firm.



Practice Areas



- Advertising, Marketing and Media
- Agribusiness
- Antitrust
- Aviation
- Banking and Finance
- Capital Markets
- Commercial Contracts
- Compliance
- Consumer Relations
- Corporate and M&A
- Data Protection and Technology
- Dispute Resolution
- Electric Power
- Environment, Sustainability and Waste
- Fashion
- Fintech and Payment Systems
- Governmental Relations
- Immigration
- Infrastructure
- Innovation, Startups and Venture Capital
- Intellectual Property
- Labor and Employment
- Life Sciences
- Maritime
- Natural Gas
- Oil and Gas
- Privatization
- Public and Regulatory
- Real Estate
- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Sanitation
- Sports and Entertainment
- Tax
- Telecommunications
- White-Collar Crime and Corporate Investigations



Recognition



Natural Gas



We assist clients at all stages of the natural gas industry chain, including:

- Advice on migration of Industrial Consumers to the “free market” of natural gas;
- Legal and regulatory aspects related to the natural gas market, that is, distribution, commercialization, transport, and import;
- Advice on liquefied natural gas (LNG) and compressed natural gas (CNG) operations;
- Assistance in structuring natural gas trader;
- Advice, analysis and drafting of contracts and conditions for the acquisition and sale of natural gas;
- Analysis of natural gas consumption conditions in the captive and free market, with a view to detecting economic, legal, regulatory and operational risks;
- Legal and regulatory support in natural gas auctions;
- Legal, arbitration and administrative matters related to the natural gas market;
- Legal and regulatory matters related to the tariff review before State Regulatory Agencies;
- Legal aspects related to the declaration of public utility, for the purpose of expropriation and institution of administrative easement, in areas necessary for the implementation of gas pipelines;
- Legal and regulatory support before the National Agency of Petroleum, Natural Gas and Biofuels (ANP); and
- Tax impacts on the natural gas sector.

Partners





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Rodrigo heads up the firm's Infrastructure and Sanitation practices. With more than 15 years of experience as a corporate lawyer in large national and multinational infrastructure groups, he has participated in relevant projects for hydroelectric power stations, airports, ports, highways, urban mobility and basic sanitation. He focuses on the development and management of infrastructure projects and consultancy services in corporate governance. Rodrigo has been recognized by IFLR 1000, The Legal 500, Leaders League, and Análise Advocacia 500.

"Provides 'consistent assertiveness and assurance to clients'" – The Legal 500 2019



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Maria da Graça is a founding partner of Felsberg Advogados. She has extensive experience in the areas of project and aircraft financing, financial and structured operations, capital markets, investment funds, private equity and company acquisition, sale and restructuring operations.

She has given lectures at events in Brazil, Spain and the United States on topics such as investment funds, initial public offerings, private equity and project financing and structuring. She is recognized by Latin Lawyer, The Legal 500, Leaders League, IFLR 1000, Euromoney Expert Guide and *Análise Mulher*.



Regulatory Consultants

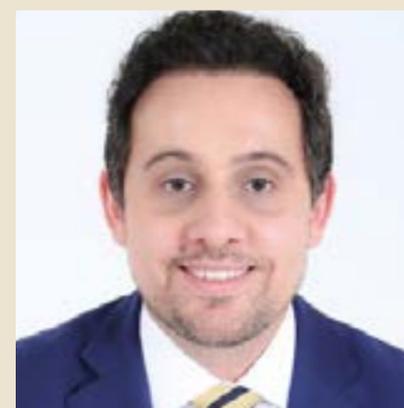


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Cid is a specialist in natural and piped gas (utilities). He was an accredited expert (specialized technician) with the Commission of Public Services for Energy (CSPE) (now ARSESP), from 2005 to 2009. For over ten years, he headed the legal department of a multinational company in the exploration of public pipeline gas distribution services in the northwest of the State of São Paulo. He participated in the Gas Summit Latin America Advisory Council in 2012 and is a speaker at many events on natural gas. Cid is the coordinator of the “Cottidianus Energy News” Portal on energy and infrastructure, as well as the author of the book: “*Gás Natural – Aspectos Jurídico-Regulatórios acerca da Comercialização de Gás Natural e do Serviço de Distribuição de Gás Canalizado*”, by Synergia Editora - 2016. He is also a columnist on the *Cenário Gás* website of *Brasil Energia*. He obtained his LL.B. from PUC-SP - Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo.

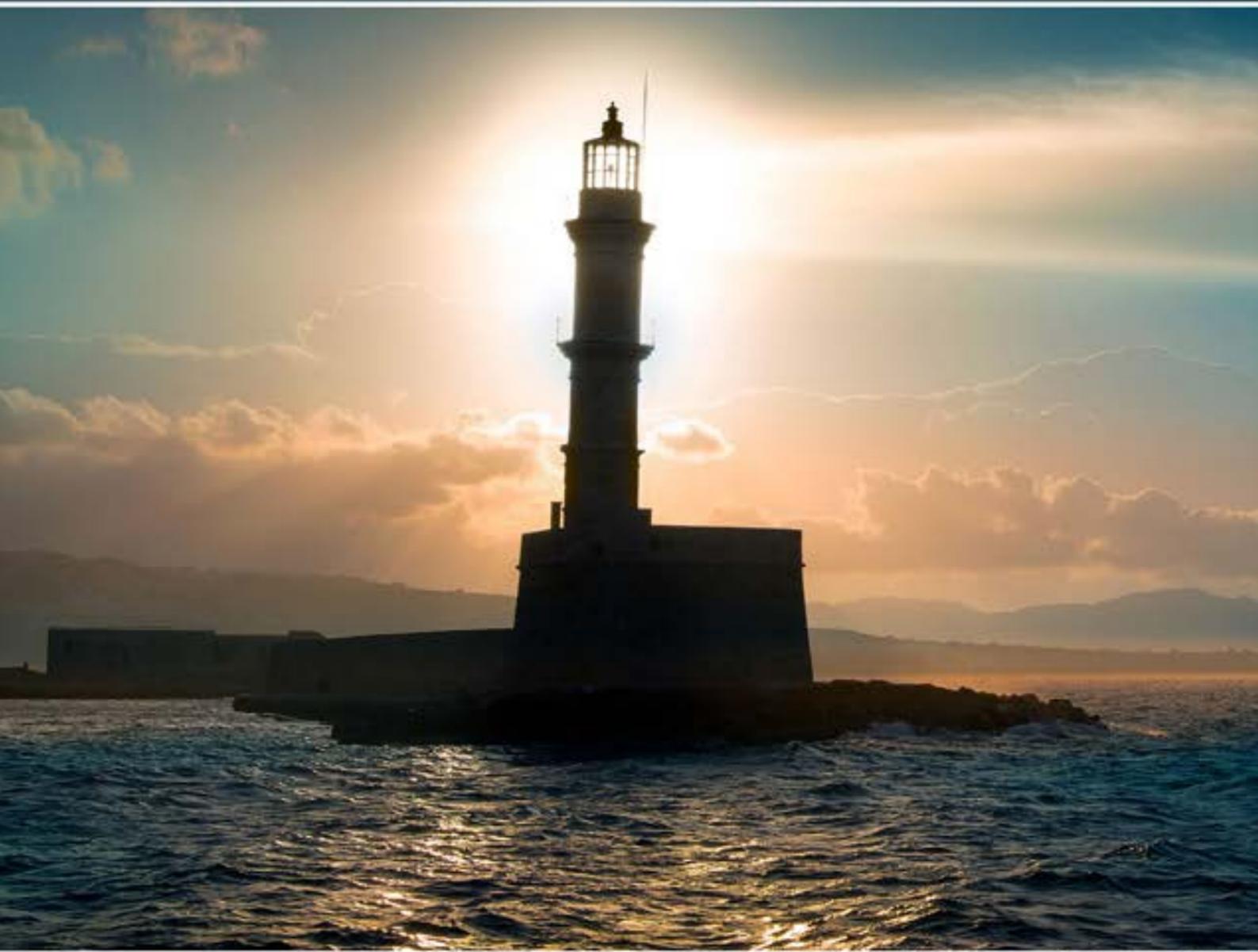


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Urias is a specialist in Electricity Law. He has specialized in the electric energy regulatory area since 2010. He began his career in the sector having worked for five years at the Electric Energy Trading Chamber (CCEE) as a Legal-Regulatory Lawyer. Since 2013 he has been an effective member of the OAB/SP Energy Law Commission and the Energy Commission of the São Paulo Lawyers Institute. He speaks at events on electrical energy and is the author of articles for the CONJUR website, “Cottidianus Energy News”, Revista dos Tribunais and Canal Energia. He has also authored an article for the book: “Solar Power: A Practical Handbook”, by Globe Law and Business Ltd– 2018; an article for the book: “*Repensando a Regulação no Brasil: Novas Visões e Propostas*”, by Synergia Editora – 2019; and the book: “*A legalidade da interferência do Poder Judiciário nas decisões de competência da Agência Nacional de Energia Elétrica – ANEEL*”, by Synergia Editora - 2018. Urias did a post-graduate course in Civil Procedure at FGV - Fundação Getulio Vargas and an Extension Course in Infrastructure Contracts at FGV - Fundação Getulio Vargas



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