## Pinsent Masons expands its financial services arm

The Financial Services department at city law firm Pinsent Masons gets a shot in the arm with a new appointment.

Former Head of Financial Services at Maclay Murray & Spens David Young is joining the firm in an expansion of their funds and financial services offering.



David will be based in Edinburgh and London working alongside financial regulation and funds experts David Heffron and Ian Warner.

He was lead partner in alternative funds with MMS since 2009 and has been involved in a wide range of high profile fund launches and transactions.

At Pinsent Masons he will concentrate on fund structuring, formation and investment work for both investors and fund managers. He will also work on asset management advisory work including regulation. His experience in infrastructure, energy, private equity and real estate sectors will stand him in good stead.



Alexis Roberts, Partner and Head of the Financial Services sector at Pinsent Masons, said: "David is at the forefront of the funds industry in the UK and has an enviable reputation in the market. His appointment will provide a boost to our existing funds practice, allow us to grow UK wide expertise and will elevate our financial services and funds practice to

the next level. The UK funds market is an active one and is expected to remain so for the foreseeable future, and is an industry in which we have a long-term commitment and will continue to invest."

Michael Watson, Global Group Head of Finance and Projects at Pinsent Masons, added: "The firm has been developing its funds advisory capability in recent years, particularly in fund formation. David's specialist industry focus, contacts and experience, will enhance our capacity to support our clients in the core sectors we focus on, particularly financial services, infrastructure, real estate and energy where there is increasing demand from investors for specialist fund capability to be married with deep industry knowledge as investors continue to access existing asset classes and increase allocations to alternative and real assets. This is a further step in our development of a market leading practice."

David is ranked in Chambers & Partners and Legal 500.

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