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EXPERTISE

Ariel Ben Hattar is a partner at our Geneva office, where he is a member of the Capital Markets and FinTech groups. He regularly advises listed companies, investors and market infrastructure operators on transactional and regulatory matters, including capital market transactions, market conduct and disclosure requirements. His expertise extends to innovation in financial technology and the use of distributed ledger technology in financial markets. Ariel is also the secretary of the Executive Committee of the Capital Markets and Technology Association (CMTA) that develops standards for the use of new technologies in this sector.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

2023	Partner at Lenz & Staehelin
2021	General Counsel at Recipharm AB (seconded)
2016	Associate at Lenz & Staehelin
2013	Legal officer at Swissquote Bank
2022	University of Oxford (Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Strategy)
2016	Admission to Vaud bar
2013	University of Lausanne (MLaw)
2011	University of Lausanne (BLaw)

SPECIALIST AREAS

Capital Markets, FinTech, Public Takeovers, Securities Regulation, Corporate and M&A

LANGUAGES

French, English

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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