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# Chambers Europe 2013 Awards: Boga & Associates ranked in 6 Practice Areas for Albania and Kosovo

The Chambers Europe Guide 2013 (*Chambers & Partners – the research-based guide to the legal profession*) was published recently and we are delighted to announce that Boga & Associates continues to rank high within its core practice in Albania and Kosovo.



In 2013, Boga & Associates is ranked in the top 10 in Corporate/Commercial, Dispute Resolution, Intellectual Property, Projects and Real Estate for Albania and in the top 3 in General Business Law for Kosovo.

Among Key Individuals, Mr. Genc Boga, Managing and Senior Partner, Mr. Sokol Elmazaj, Partner and Kosovo Country Manager, and Mrs. Alketa Uruçi, Partner, are mentioned under Corporate/Commercial and Projects. Mr. Boga is described as "a no-nonsense guy who goes straight to the point". In addition, he is singled out for his prowess in corporate and commercial matters.

With his long standing expertise in Albania and Kosovo, Mr.

Sokol Elmazaj is mentioned under Dispute Resolution, and so is Mr. Gerhard Velaj, Partner who is widely recognised for his skills in real estate-related disputes, and is valued for his excellent courtroom skills.

Mr. Elmazaj also maintains a stellar reputation for his work in transactional corporate matters, Real Estate as well as Intellectual Property.

Under Intellectual Property practice area, Ms. Renata Leka, Partner continues to be commended as highly active, by assisting a number of international corporations with trade mark protection issues.

The editors said the following about Boga & Associates core practice in Albania:

"This 18-strong multidisciplinary team handles a wide range of corporate and commercial matters, including venture capital transactions, M&A, restructurings and regulatory issues. The group's varied clientele includes the EBRD, Air BP Albania and Albanian American Enterprise Fund".

The editors said the following about Boga & Associates practice in Kosovo:

"This stalwart of the Albanian legal market has an office in Pristina, from where it provides expert advice on privatisations, concessions, real estate transactions and tax issues. In a recent highlight, the lawyers assisted Limak Kosovo International Airport with the concession of Pristina International Airport. Other clients of note include IFC and Standard Bank".

Every year, Chambers and Partners rate leading law firms and lawyers within their fields of expertise. The firm and several of our senior attorneys are acknowledged each year in both the Chambers Global and the Chambers Europe.

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The firm highly appreciates these awards, which affirm the breadth and depth of the entire firm's competence. We are aware clients deserve excellence in legal services, and we aim to continually give it to them.

You are kindly invited to see the full list of Boga & Associates rankings in the Chambers Europe 2013 winners guide here: http://www.chambersandpartners.com.

*Informing Space:* Chambers Global conducts thousands of interviews of lawyers and their clients worldwide. The guide only ranks firms and individuals with truly international practices. More details of the survey's methodology and Boga & Associates ranking are available on <a href="http://www.chambersandpartners.com">http://www.chambersandpartners.com</a>.

Chambers Global is recognized within the legal industry as an important source for legal rankings. The qualities on which rankings are assessed include technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial awareness/astuteness, diligence, commitment and other qualities most valued by the clients.

#### **BOGA & ASSOCIATES AT A GLANCE**

Boga & Associates, established in 1994, has emerged as one of the premier law firms in Albania, earning a reputation for providing the highest quality of legal, tax and accounting services to its clients. Boga & Associates also operates in Kosovo (Pristina) offering a full range of services. Until 1 May 2007, the firm was a member firm of KPMG International and the Senior Partner/Managing Partner, Mr. Genc Boga was also Senior Partner/Managing Partner of KPMG Albania.

The firm's particularity is linked to the multidisciplinary services it provides to its clients. Apart of the wide consolidated legal practice, the firm also offers a significant expertise in tax and accounting services with a keen sensitivity to the rapid changes in the Albanian and Kosovar business environment.

The firm aims to provide *a one-stop-shop* for the best legal and tax assistance in Albania and Kosovo, and in particular offers:

- an experienced team with adequate integrated professional staff;
- experience gained with legal and tax services;
- a culture that continually measures and demands improvements in the quality of service we offer;
- a structure that is market facing, self reliant, independent and performance accountable;
- a pragmatic, constructive and proactive attitude;
- an integrated service ensuring we listen to client's needs and act accordingly;
- a continuous communication with client's management.

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Boga & Associates is recognized as a top tier firm by the most prestigious ranking companies such as Chambers and Partners in practice areas covering Corporate/Commercial, Dispute Resolution, Intellectual Property, Projects, Real Estate as well as by IFLR1000 in Financial and Corporate Law.

The firm is praised by clients and peers as a "law firm with high-calibre expertise", distinguished "among the elite in Albania" and as "accessible, responsive and wise".

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