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UGGC, a leading business law firm, strengthens its activities in China with the appointment of Jenny Cao as a partner in the Shanghai office.

- With a strong historical international footprint, UGGC, a reference firm in business law, is strengthening its Shanghai office created in 2008.
- The firm is coopting Jenny Cao as a partner, in order to further reinforce the development of its Mergers & Acquisition and international investment activities, alongside Zhen Huang, head of the Chinese office since 2012.
- UGGC Law Firm thus intends to strengthen its strike force in Southeast Asia, which also relies on a structured network of correspondents in Hong Kong and Singapore and an "Asia Desk" in Paris; which allows it to have a direct intervention capacity throughout this geographical area.

Paris - UGGC Law firm, an independent French law firm specializing in corporate law, announces the cooptation of Jenny Cao as a partner in the Mergers & Acquisition and International investments departments. She becomes the second partner in the Shanghai office, alongside Zhen Huang. Under their supervision, a team of about ten Asian and European associates and lawyers provides a range of legal services in all areas of corporate law in China, both in advisory and litigation.

Jenny Cao, who has been working in the Shanghai office since 2008 as Counsel, assists clients in the areas of foreign investment in China, mergers & acquisitions, corporate and commercial law. She specializes in legal research, strategic planning and tailoring advice to clients' needs.

"The cooptation of Jenny Cao as a partner in our Shanghai office confirms the firm's commitment to strengthen its activities on the Chinese market, at a time when foreign investment in China - which represents 1.4 billion consumers - should be facilitated in the coming years. UGGC Law Firm thus intends to provide its clients services to international standards, meeting the level of requirements of European clients, while being as close as possible to local issues." comments **Zhen Huang, a partner at UGGC Law Firm, who heads the Shanghai office since 2012.**

A bicultural team with a longstanding presence in the Chinese market

The cooptation of Jenny Cao as a partner alongside Zhen Huang is part of a dynamic of consolidation of the firm's expertise throughout China for nearly 20 years.

In addition to a « China Desk » in Paris, the team of the Shanghai office is able to assist its clients in all their projects in Asia by offering a wide range of legal expertise including international investments, mergers & acquisitions, intellectual property, distribution law, tax law and labor law.

Fully dedicated to the knowledge and mastery of Chinese constraints, the Shanghai office of UGGC is also at the service of the business community in China and is strongly involved in the animation of French and European institutions, such as the French Foreign Trade Advisors, the European Chamber of Commerce in China and the French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in China.

In addition, the firm has developed a reliable and structured network throughout the Asian continent, with correspondents based in Hong Kong, Singapore and South-East Asia, which enables it to have a direct intervention capacity throughout this geographical area. In 2018, the firm has notably entered into a partnership with the Hong Kong law firm Slotine for China - France and Hong Kong international transactions.

Biography



Janny Cao, 44 years old, Partner

Expertise: mergers & acquisitions and international investments

- Co-opted associate partner of UGGC Law Firm in January 2021.
- Promoted Senior Counsel of UGGC Law Firm in 2018.
- Joined UGGC Law Firm in 2008 as Counsel.
- Joined Adamas Law Firm in 2002 as Counsel.
- Admitted to the Chinese Bar Association in 2003.

Education:

- o Graduate Program, ESC Rouen (2000).
- o Master's degree in law from Zhejiang University (China) (1999-2002).
- o Bachelor's degree in law from the University of Zhejiang (China) (1995-1999).

About UGGC Law Firm

Founded in 1993, UGGC is one of the very first independent business law firms in France. Active alongside private companies, public entities and individuals, it has a rich range of legal and tax services and a very large capacity for international intervention, whether through its offices or correspondents in Europe (Paris, Marseille and Brussels), Africa (Casablanca), Asia (Shanghai and Hong Kong), South America (Sao Paulo and Belo Horizonte). Positioning itself as a "firm of Clients", it bases its approach in particular on the ability of its departments to intervene transversally and to deploy, according to their needs, a complete range of expertise. UGGC is made up of more than 150 lawyers and jurists, including some thirty partners; it posted a turnover of approximately 32 million euros in 2019.