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Service areas

Capital Markets

Compliance & Internal
Investigations

Finance

Financial Services & Regulation

Kristian Karlsson is known for advising clients on matters relating to securities law and financial regulation with a particular emphasis on Fintech, investment funds and investment services. He also represents borrowers and lenders in connection with financing transactions, including acquisition and project financing, bond issuances, securitization and structured financing.

Kristian Karlsson is the Finnish member of the Monterey Funds Club, an association of European fund law specialists, and acts as a member of the Securities and Finance Law Expert Group of the Finnish Bar Association.

He has worked as a visiting lawyer with Nordea Funds Ltd and as a Consultant in European Investment Bank in Luxembourg.

CAREER

2011

Dittmar & Indrenius Attorneys Ltd.

2017

European Investment Bank (EIB), Luxembourg
Consultant (seconded)

2013–2014

Nordea Funds Ltd
Visiting Lawyer

EDUCATION

2011

University of Helsinki
LL.M.

RANKINGS & RECOGNITIONS

“Kristian can share quick insights over short discussions that steer us in the right direction. This is highly appreciated in an agile business environment.”

– Chambers Global 2026, Banking and finance

“Kristian Karlsson is a straight shooter, tells it like it is, and searches for solutions.”

– Chambers FinTech Legal, FinTech Guide 2026

Ranked in Band 1, FinTech Legal, Chambers FinTech Guide 2026

Ranked as Rising star partner in practice areas: Banking and Finance, and Project Development, IFLR 1000, 2024

“Kristian Karlsson stands out for his regulatory expertise, proactive approach, clear communication, and integrity. He anticipates challenges and resolves them professionally. Kristian ensures smooth collaboration.”

– The Legal 500 EMEA 2025, Capital Markets

“Kristian is passionate about new regulation, especially sustainability, but also FinTech regulation.”

– Chambers FinTech Legal, FinTech Guide 2025

“Kristian Karlsson is a very competent fund lawyer.”

– The Legal 500 EMEA 2024, Capital Markets

“Kristian is experienced and skilled in financial services and regulation issues. He is easy to work with and has a deep understanding of complex regulations combined with a pragmatic approach.”

– Chambers Global 2026, Banking and finance

“Kristian Karlsson is enthusiastic in many relevant areas and truly wants to stay on top of things.”

– Chambers FinTech Legal, FinTech Guide 2026

Ranked as Next Generation Partner, Banking and Finance, Legal 500, 2025

“Kristian Karlsson stands out for his regulatory expertise, proactive approach, clear communication, and integrity. He anticipates challenges and resolves them professionally. Kristian ensures smooth collaboration.”

– The Legal 500 EMEA 2025, Capital Markets

“Kristian Karlsson is a highly skilled and thoughtful advisor who consistently prioritises customer interests.”

– Chambers FinTech Legal, FinTech Guide 2025

“Kristian Karlsson is particularly strong in fintech and regulatory matters.”

– The Legal 500 EMEA 2024, Capital Markets

“Kristian Karlsson is my key contact, always available, gives clear, short and to-the-point advice.”

– The Legal 500 EMEA 2023, Capital Markets

MEMBERSHIPS & POSITIONS OF TRUST

- Finnish Bar Association

LANGUAGES

English
Finnish
Swedish
German