

## Joana Silva Leal

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Joana Silva Leal joined VdA in 2011, as part of the Intellectual Property practice area, where she provided advice to several companies, namely in the scope of patents (especially in the pharmaceutical industry) and legal disputes related to them.

Currently a managing associate in the Corporate and M&A practice area, where she has participated in several transactions, supporting both national and international companies, mainly in the acquisition and sale of companies, mergers, corporate restructuring plans and venture capital investments. She has also been actively involved in advising clients on the negotiation of commercial contracts and other corporate governance matters, especially with insurance companies and companies targeting venture capital investment.

During the second semester of 2017, she joined the corporate practice group of Jeantet AARPI, in Paris, where she was involved in several M&A transactions.



### Academic background

Law degree at the Faculty of Law of the Portuguese Catholic University (Lisbon).

Masters in Law and Business at the Faculty of Law of the Portuguese Catholic University and Católica Lisbon School of Business & Economics (Lisbon).

Post-Graduation in Company Law and Listed Companies and Market Law at the Faculty of Law of the Portuguese Catholic University (Lisbon).

### Member of

Member of the Portuguese Bar Association.

## Languages

English, French.