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Aristotle



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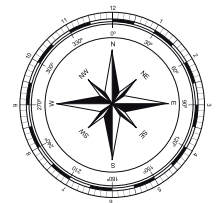
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- **Experienced:** we are recognized by independent experts and peers and win prestigious awards
- **Alternative fees:** innovative structures which will suit you ideally
- **Networking opportunities:** we can introduce you to VC and other investors
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“Its network of contacts, the multidisciplinary team and its global knowledge make the client feel at ease and well represented”

Chambers Global 2013

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- **Funding your business:** we guide you on the financing rounds and shareholders’ agreement
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Legal Week Intelligence, Client Satisfaction Report

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