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Press Release

Baker & McKenzie Ranked Among "Best Foreign Law Firm India Practices" by new report on the Indian legal market

Global, 22 May 2015 – Baker & McKenzie has been ranked fourth among international firms for its India-related work, according to RSG Consulting's India Report 2015. The Firm scores highly for having the best reputation in India as recommended by major legal purchasers. The Firm is also highly recommended by Indian law firms for their clients' overseas legal work.

The recognition follows the Firm being named as "Most Responsive International Firm of the Year in India" at the *Asian-MENA Counsel's Representative Corporate Asia & Middle East Survey 2014*, and the strongest law firm brand globally in the Acritas' Sharplegal Law Firm Brand Index 2014.

Commenting on the report findings, Bruce Hambrett, Baker & McKenzie's Asia Pacific Regional Chairman said, "India is a key part of our vision to be the premier global law firm. It is very pleasing to see that our efforts at delivering excellent service have been recognized by our clients and our peers. We are very grateful for our clients' support."

Ashok Lalwani, who heads the Firm's Global India practice, said "This award not only is a testament to the strength of our India practice, but also reaffirms our leading position as the 'counsel of choice' for many Indian companies investing globally and multinationals on their inbound investments into India. We would like to thank our clients for entrusting us with their most complex matters, and we look forward to continue assisting them with their investments around the world."

The RSG India Report is based on a survey conducted by RSG Consulting that asked 514 major legal purchasers in India and 26 Indian law firms to rate the foreign law firms they believed had the best reputations in the country and also the firms they had instructed over the past 18 months. The consultancy also analysed league tables for deal activity over the past two years to determine the results.

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About Baker & McKenzie's India Practice

For more than 50 years, Baker & McKenzie has been assisting Indian companies with their business interest worldwide and global companies who have an interest in investing or operating in India, working with some of India's best law firms. At the forefront of this advice is Baker & McKenzie's India Practice, which is a multi-jurisdictional, cross-practice group, of which more than 300 lawyers are members.

Our India focused Partners have rich experience in and understand the unique complexities of Indian transactions. In recent years, we have advised Indian companies on global strategies regarding mergers & acquisitions, joint ventures, project development, real estate investment, banking & finance, and international arbitration or dispute resolution.

About Baker & McKenzie

Founded in 1949, Baker & McKenzie advises many of the world's most dynamic and successful business organizations through more than 11,000 people in 77 offices in 47 countries. The Firm is known for its global perspective, deep understanding of the local language and culture of business, uncompromising commitment to excellence, and world-class fluency in its client service. Global revenues for the fiscal year ended 30 June 2014, were US\$2.54 billion. Eduardo Leite is Chairman of the Executive Committee. (www.bakermckenzie.com)

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