

Our Practice



The team (JunHe) really listens to the clients and works out practical solutions with them.

—Chambers Greater China Region

# **Environment**

Environmental protection is one of the fundamental state policies of China, and the concepts of environment, occupational health and work safety enjoy increasingly popular support. In recent years, China has developed more environmental protection infrastructures. Under the current climate of improving legislation and increasing the regulation and scrutiny of environmental protection and work safety, environmental, professional health and work safety compliance now play a critical role in daily corporate management and investment and M&A transactions. The growth in environmental rights trading (including carbon and sewage credits) continues to be driven by emerging environmental rights and the increasing pressure of energy-saving and emission-reduction on enterprises, accompanying a wide variety of financing arrangements. JunHe is committed to delivering first-class legal and compliance services regarding environmental, occupational health and work safety (EHS) and environmental, social and governance (ESG) matters to domestic and foreign clients.

#### **Our Team**

JunHe's EHS team is composed of over 20 partners, counsel and associates, who offer a full range of legal and compliance services regarding EHS issues to clients from different industries.

JunHe's ESG team is composed of over 20 partners, counsel and associates, who offer a full range of compliance services regarding ESG issues to funds, investors and all types of enterprises.

The EHS and ESG teams also work with our teams in the areas of corporate and M&A, capital markets, real estate and infrastructure regarding EHS and ESG compliance aspects, to provide solutions to our clients on an integrated basis.

JunHe, founded in Beijing in 1989, is one of the first private partnership law firms in China. Since its establishment, JunHe has grown to be a large and recognized Chinese law firm. The firm has fourteen offices around the world and a team comprised of more than a thousand professionals.



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ESG and Sustainability Law Firm of the Year 2024, 2023

Compliance Law Firm of the Year

2022, 2017

ALB China Law Awards

ESG and Sustainability Law Firm of the Year: East China - Non-Local

**2024** ALB China Regional Law Awards: East China

> Law Firm of the Year -Corporate Compliance

2023, 2022, 2021

Law Firm of the Year - Energy & Natural Resources

2024, 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019, 2018

Deals of the Year - Golden Arches (China) Environmental Public Interest Litigation

2022

China Business Law Awards/ China Business Law Deals of the Year

Green Guide

2023

The Legal 500

Law Firm of the Year :

Projects and Energy 2023 The Legal 500 China Awards

Green Law Firm of The Year

Multilaw Awards

Best Green Initiative Award

Best ESG Practice Award

2024, 2022

CLECSS Best ESG Law Firm Award

An Energy & Natural Resources
Law Firm of the Year - China

2022 In-House Community

ESG Legal Service Provider of the Year

2022

ESG China Awards – British Chamber of Commerce Shanghai

Most Influential Law Firm Brands in Energy, Environment and Natural Resources

2024

Legal Visio

Clients Preferred Firm of the Year -Corporate Compliance

2024

Excellent Law Firms Recommended by General
Counsels of Chinese Well-Known Enterprises released
by the Legal Guru Club and the Legal Hall of Fame

They (JunHe) are good at handling complex and sophisticated matters, with good client service and responsiveness.

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### **Key Practice Areas**

Our work in the areas of minerals, resources and environmental protection typically includes:

- EHS compliance;
- ESG;
- Managing environmental and safety incidents and resolving disputes;
- Environmental rights trading and green finance;
- Investment and financing, PPP and M&A transactions in relation to environmental infrastructures.

## **Unique Strengths of Our Teams**

We have extensive experience in the areas of environmental infrastructure construction, operation, investment and financing and M&A transactions. Our team has successfully represented clients in areas such as water plants, sewage treatment plants, waste treatment and solid waste and hazardous waste disposal facility projects and we are familiar with the environmental industry. Our attorneys have assisted construction and operation projects in the coal, mining, chemical and petrochemical sectors, possessing direct experience and sophisticated understandings of EHS compliance, as well as accountability and incident management in high-risk industries. We focus on the development of the laws, regulations and standards in EHS and ESG areas, maintain collaborative partnerships with environmental protection organizations, and advise on emerging environmental PPP projects. Our teams are leaders in the provision of EHS and ESG legal and compliance services.

#### **Selected Deals**

- Long-term counseling for the China Beijing Green Exchange on its routine and innovative business and assisting in establishing the rules for environmental rights trading.
- Representing multinational corporations in China with respect to environmental incidents and compliance issues.
- Advising numerous multinational corporations on their investments in various sewage treatment and waste disposal projects in China.
- Advising on various domestic comprehensive treatment of water areas and sponge city PPP projects.