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Based in Simpson Thacher's Hong Kong office, Makiko Harunari is the Head of the Firm's Asia Banking and Credit Practice. Makiko concentrates on complex cross-border financing transactions throughout the Asia-Pacific region, leading a team with multi-lingual capabilities and deep transactional expertise in providing liquidity solutions at all levels of the capital structure. She advises on a broad mix of acquisition finance, real estate finance, fund finance, back-leverage, direct lending and other innovative financing products and has extensive experience representing prominent financial sponsors, corporate borrowers, international financial institutions and private credit funds.

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List,” Makiko is recognized as a highly regarded lawyer by recent editions of *IFLR1000* and *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific*. She has also been recognized as a notable practitioner by *Chambers Asia-Pacific*, with one source noting she is “extremely good at pushing through complex, lengthy projects, and maintaining sight of the bigger picture.” Makiko was shortlisted for Banking & Finance by *Euromoney Legal Media Group Women in Business Law Awards Asia* for both 2021 and 2022. Simpson Thacher was also honored as “Banking & Finance Firm of the Year” at *Law.com International’s* 2023 Asia Legal Awards.