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Mr. Sangmyoung Shin is a partner at Shin & Kim. His practice focuses on project finance, antitrust, artificial intelligence (AI), and cross-border matters. He advises a broad range of domestic and international financial institutions and corporations.

Mr. Shin has extensive experience in cross-border transactions, particularly project financing for overseas power, energy and natural resources projects. He has represented lenders and borrowers in successfully closing a number of major projects in the United States, the Middle East, Europe, Africa, Latin America and Asia.

Mr. Shin's practice also extends to cross-border regulatory and compliance matters. He has advised major Korean financial institutions and corporations on economic sanctions and the establishment of sanctions compliance programs (SCP). More recently, he has expanded his practice to antitrust and AI-related matters, advising clients on the legal and regulatory implications of rapidly evolving technologies and business environments.

He is highly respected by his peers and widely praised by clients. Chambers and Partners recognized his expertise, stating, "He is always reliable, as he clearly understands the market, dealing with all major issues and always doing an excellent job of coordinating between firms, banks and other advisers. He is an outstanding lawyer who is approachable, attentive and extremely diligent, leaving no stone unturned." Asialaw Profiles stated, "He has a comprehensive view on how to handle legal matters involving financial transactions and is proficient with coordination within the firm to come up with an effective solution." IFLR1000 noted, "He is very professional, insightful and provides a highly commercial outlook. Extremely knowledgeable, strong legal, energy and project finance experience, demonstrating a high level of analytical aptitude."

Professional Career

2026-Present	Shin & Kim LLC
2026	Shin, Hwang, Yeo & Lee

2023-2026	Shin & Kim LLC
2015-2023	Kim & Chang
2014	Milbank LLP, London
2006-2015	The Export-Import Bank of Korea

Professional Affiliations

2024-Present	Member, Technology Security Forum, Ministry of Trade, Industry and Resources
2016-2018	Member, International Finance Development Council, Ministry of Economy and Finance

Key Experience

- Advised ECA lenders on the Jawa 9 and 10 coal-fired power project in Indonesia
- Advised ECA lenders on the Marigold petrochemical and refinery construction project in Malaysia
- Advised the Abu Dhabi Fund for Development (ADFD) in the UAE on the preparation of standard export credit agreements, staff training, and operating procedures
- Advised a lender group comprising ECAs, international banks, and Korean commercial banks on the Project Eagle LNG pipeline project financing in Pittsburgh, USA
- Advised ECA lenders on the Coral offshore FLNG project in Mozambique
- Advised ECA lenders on the Rovuma onshore LNG project in Mozambique
- Advised an ECA lender on the Morupule coal-fired power project in Botswana
- Advised ECA lenders on a copper mine project in Panama
- Advised an ECA lender on the QB2 copper mine project in Chile
- Advised lenders on investment projects involving Heathrow and other major airports in the United Kingdom
- Advised an ECA lender on the Northvolt battery manufacturing facility construction project in Sweden
- Advised an ECA lender on the Vung Ang 2 coal-fired power project in Vietnam
- Advised the sponsor on the Lumcloon and Shannonbridge energy storage system (ESS) facility construction projects in Ireland
- Advised ECA lenders on the RV555 road and tunnel PPP project in Norway
- Advised ECAs and commercial financial institutions on numerous structured ship finance transactions involving large container ships, tankers, and other vessels
- Advised borrowers on raising Islamic financing in Middle Eastern financial markets
- Advised the sponsor on a fuel cell power generation project in the Republic of Korea
- Advised the lenders on the Formosa 2 offshore wind power project in Taiwan
- Advised the sponsors on the Jeonnam 1 offshore wind power project in the Republic of Korea

- Advised a major Korean bank on the establishment of a sanctions compliance program (SCP)
- Advised major Korean commercial banks and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on sanctions against Myanmar
- Advised numerous Korean companies and financial institutions on sanctions against Russia

Education

2018	Fordham University School of Law (LL.M., Banking, Corporate, and Finance Law)
2012	Seoul National University School of Law (J.D.)
2003	Seoul National University (B.B.A.)

Qualifications

2019	Admitted to bar, New York
2012	Admitted to bar, Korea

Languages

Korean, English

Professional Activities

- Technology Protection: A Practical Legal Guide (Co-authored, 2026)
- Chambers Global Practice Guides - Energy: Oil & Gas 2022: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)
- Chambers Global Practice Guides - Project Finance 2019-2022: Korea Chapter (Co-authored)

Professional Accolades

- “Leading Individual” in Projects & Energy by Chambers Asia-Pacific, 2020-2026
- “Project Finance Deal of the Year: Hyundai Motor Group and SK On’s EV Battery Plant Construction Project in Georgia, USA” at the ALB Korea Law Awards, 2025

- “Leading Lawyer” in Project Finance by IFLR1000, 2020-2025
- “Leading Lawyer” in Banking by Lexology Index, 2025
- “Leading Lawyer” in Banking & Finance by Asialaw Profiles, 2021-2025
- “Client Service Excellence” in Banking & Finance by Asialaw Profiles, 2020-2021
- “Recognised Lawyer” in IFLR Asia Future Leaders, 2021

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