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Eric is a senior associate in Cooley's UK emerging companies group. He advises high-growth technology companies and their investors on private financings, mergers & acquisitions, and strategic and corporate governance matters.

Eric regularly advises leading US and European venture capital investors – including Accel, Andreessen Horowitz (a16z), Felix Capital, Founders Fund, General Catalyst, Index Ventures, Institutional Venture Partners (IVP), Lightspeed Venture Partners, LocalGlobe, Northzone, Stride.VC, 20VC and others – on their investments in technology companies.

Eric also represents private technology companies at all stages, from inception through sale/initial public offering (IPO), and in a range of sectors, with a particular focus on artificial intelligence and fintech companies.

Eric's recent company-side experience includes advising:

- **Codat**, a fintech company that develops accounting, banking and commerce integration solutions, on its \$100 million Series C financing, led by J.P. Morgan, and its \$40 million Series B financing, led by Tiger Global
- **Synthesisia**, an AI video creation software developer, on its \$90 million Series C financing, led by Accel, its \$50 million Series B financing, led by Kleiner Perkins and Google Ventures (GV), and its \$12.5 million Series A financing, led by FirstMark
- **Stable**, an index-based commodity hedging solutions provider, on its \$60 million Series B financing, led by Acrew Capital, and its \$6.5 million Series A financing, led by Greycroft
- **Runa** (formerly WeGift), an automated digital payout company, on its 26 million-pound Series B financing, led by Element Ventures, and its \$12 million Series A financing, led by AlbionVC
- **Red Sift**, a cybersecurity company, on its \$54 million Series B financing, led by Highland Europe

Before joining Cooley, Eric worked as an investment principal at Hambro Perks, a venture capital firm based in London, where he originated investment opportunities, negotiated and executed new and follow-on investments, and monitored and supported the firm's portfolio companies.

Eric trained as a solicitor at international law firm Simmons & Simmons, before joining the London corporate team at Allen & Overy. Eric holds an MBA from BPP Business School, completed his legal studies at BPP Law School and has a bachelor's degree in International Relations from Sussex University.

Education

BPP University

MBA , 2013

BPP Law School

Legal Practice Course (LPC), 2011

BPP Law School

Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL), 2010

University of Sussex

BA, 2008

Admissions & Credentials

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