ZANG, BERGEL & VIÑES EXPANDS ENERGY PRACTICE WITH BRONS & SALAS HIRE

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Argentinean law firm Zang, Bergel & Viñes Abogados announced the addition of a new partner, Amalia Sáenz, to front the firm's energy and natural resources practice group.

Sáenz joined Zang, Bergel & Viñes from law firm Brons & Salas where she was a partner for five years. Her experience also includes in house roles at Pan-American Energy Group, one of Argentina's largest privately held energy companies, working in Argentina and Turkmenistan.

The appointment of Amalia Sáenz and the relaunch of the firm's energy practice comes amid renewed interest from international investors in Argentina, particularly in the energy sector. Argentina declared 2017 as the Year of Renewable Energy to increase awareness about the advantages of renewable energy and the importance of sustainability. A decree issued by the government calls for energy diversification through the use of renewable sources, setting a target of 20% share of renewable energy in electricity consumption by 2025.

Carolina Zang, managing partner of Zang, Bergel & Viñes, said in the announcement: "the opportunities in the field of energy and natural resources are tremendous, and we want to be on top of the game to best service our clients and be their true one-stop-shop and preferred partner".

Zang, Bergel & Viñes was founded in 1975 in Buenos Aires and, with the addition of Amalia Sáenz, the firm is now home to 13 partners including five women.