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Eric is a partner in Cooley's UK emerging companies and venture capital team. He advises high-growth technology companies and their investors on private financings, M&A and strategic and corporate governance matters.

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

Eric also represents private technology companies at all stages, from inception through to sale/initial public offering, and in a range of sectors, with a particular focus on artificial intelligence (AI) 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
- **Synthesia**, 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 a London-based venture capital firm, 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 a London-based international law firm before joining the London corporate team of a multinational Magic Circle firm. He earned a Master of Business Administration from BPP University, completed his legal studies at BPP Law School and received a bachelor's degree in international relations from the University of Sussex.

Education

BPP University

MBA , 2013

BPP Law School

Legal Practice Course , 2011

BPP Law School

Graduate Diploma in Law , 2010

University of Sussex

BA with honours,2008

Admissions & Credentials

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