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Lawyer and innovation expert with 18 years of experience in R&D and innovation activities and in the design of strategies involving protection and commercialization of intangible assets. She has been involved in tech transfer operations at national and transnational levels regarding different areas of commercial activities and has accompanied both the private and public sector when interacting regarding the exploitation of innovative research.

Graduated in law at the University of Granada and postgraduated at the University Complutense, she worked as an in-house lawyer for 11 years in Repsol's legal services, being responsible of corporate venture capital transactions, Repsol Foundation - Fondo de Emprendedores, R&D center's activities, technology transfer operations, mergers and acquisitions, as well as different business units related to the downstream and upstream businesses of the company, among other areas.

She is founder of The Lighthouse Team, a 360º consultancy firm, advising clients with a special focus on innovation and technology-based businesses. She is also a teacher and lecturer in different law and business schools covering subjects related to IP, technology transfer, open innovation and entrepreneurship, among others.

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