

## Cotty Vivant continues Asia push launching India practice

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Parisian firm Cotty Vivant Marchisio & Lauzeral has announced that it plans to launch an India practice at its offices in Singapore and Paris later this month in a move designed to further its Asia expansion strategy.

The India practice will be headed up by Shubhada Bhave, who joins as partner from Indian firm Advani & Co and will advise in all areas of corporate and commercial law.

The firm opened a Korea desk out of its Paris office in January this year.

Cotty Vivant made headlines earlier this year when Singapore managing partner Philippe Taverne declared that his firm would be applying for a Qualifying Foreign Law Practice (QFLP) licence which would allow it to practise Singapore law in commercial areas through its own Singapore-qualified lawyers without entering into a joint law venture. Cotty Vivant remains the only firm to have confirmed its interest in applying for a QFLP.