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Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP, Colombia's Suárez Zapata Partners Abogados and Brazil's Machado, Meyer, Sendacz e Opice Advogados have helped Latin American oil and gas company GeoPark with its US$95 million IPO on the New York stock exchange.

Underwriters JP Morgan, BTG Pactual, Itaú BBA and Scotiabank were advised by White & Case LLP, Colombia's Gómez-Pinzón Zuleta Abogados, Chile's Carey and Brazil's Pinheiro Neto Advogados. GeoPark is also thought to have received assistance from Chile's Barros & Errázuriz Abogados and Bermuda-based firm Cox Hallett Wilkinson (where the company is organised), although this could not be confirmed before publication.

The oil and gas exploration company, which operates in Chile, Colombia, Brazil and Argentina, made an offering of 13.5 million shares on 7 February. The offering was smaller than anticipated, as GeoPark had indicated in January that it would raise around US$180 million in its IPO. The energy company expanded into Colombia with several acquisitions in 2012, arriving in the country in February (when it was advised by Chadbourne & Parke LLP, Suárez Zapata and Panama's Melhado & Webster) and then buying further assets in March, when it again turned to Chadbourne & Parke and Suárez Zapata. Last year it also gained a stake in Brazil's largest natural gas field in a deal involving Machado Meyer and Souza, Cescon, Barrieu e Flesch – Advogados.

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