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Dr Kai Bodenstedt focuses on providing legal advice to international corporate clients on all aspects of employment and labour related projects and disputes.

Kai has particular expertise in advising international companies in dealing with works councils (local works councils and European Works Councils). He has gained experience in representing employers at high profile cases in reconciliation boards to negotiate on consultation obligations towards works councils and at labour courts in both works-council and individual employment law related issues at local and higher labour courts and at the Federal Labour Court.

Kai heads the German Employment group of DLA Piper.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- German

EXPERIENCE

Kai has advised international and national clients on all areas of employment and labour law and was instructed on the following:

- Advising a huge German and Multi-National Company (more than 10,000 employees) on a cross-border merger, including transfer of business issues
- Advising an international financial services company on setting up a new variable compensation scheme, including negotiation with the works council
- Advising an international financial services company on data-privacy and employment issues relating to background checks
- Advising an international aviation company on the restructuring of its German business, resulting in the lay-off of 50% (more than 100) of its headcount, including consultations with the works council
- Advising a German financial services company on regulatory requirements for the remuneration of their board members.

RELATED SERVICES

- Employment

RELATED SITES

- GENIE

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English German

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Rechtsanwalt admitted with Hanseatische Rechtsanwaltskammer Hamburg

Recognitions

- Kai is identified as a frequently recommended lawyer by *JUVE* and competitors / clients describe him in *JUVE's* handbook as "highly efficient, pragmatic and with in-depth legal knowledge" (*JUVE handbook 2015 /16*) and as "pragmatic and with excellent technical legal skill" (*JUVE handbook 2016/17*). Clients have said that "Kai is fantastic - his advice is practical, strategic and extremely helpful. He is a rockstar!"
- *Handelsblatt* in cooperation with *Best Lawyers 2020*: "Recommended"

Education

- First state exam Johann-Wolfgang Goethe Universität, Frankfurt am Main
- Second state exam Higher Regional Court of Hamburg
- Dr. jur. (Bucerius Law School, Hamburg)
- Certified Specialist for Labor Law: Hamburg Bar; LL.M.

Memberships

- Certified Specialist for Employment and Labor Law

INSIGHTS

Kai frequently publishes articles on all aspects of employment law in law journals.

Publications

- "Outsourcing: A Practical Guide," *Globe Law and Business*, September 2015

NEWS

DLA Piper advises FTI Consulting on its acquisition of Andersch AG

2 July 2019

DLA Piper has advised FTI Consulting, Inc. on its acquisition of Andersch AG, a leading German restructuring advisory firm with offices in Frankfurt, Hamburg and Düsseldorf. The acquisition is expected to close during the third quarter of 2019, subject to German antitrust approval and other closing conditions.

DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce on acquisition of Siemens' eAircraft business

21 June 2019

DLA Piper has advised Rolls-Royce plc on the acquisition of Siemens' electric and hybrid-electric aerospace propulsion activities, eAircraft. The acquisition will accelerate the delivery of Rolls-Royce's electrification strategy and boost its ambition to play a major role in the "third era" of aviation. The completion of the transaction is expected in late 2019, following a period of employee consultation.

DLA Piper advises BrewDog on acquisition of iconic Berlin brewery

6 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has advised BrewDog, a multinational craft brewery and pub chain based in Scotland, on the acquisition of World Bistro & Gardens in Berlin from Stone Brewing, one of the largest craft breweries in the US.

DLA Piper advises Asmodee on acquisition of ADC Blackfire Entertainment

25 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised leading games publisher Asmodee Group SAS on the acquisition of European fantasy and trading card games distributor ADC Blackfire Entertainment Group.

DLA Piper named Employment Law Firm of the year

26 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has been named Employment Law Firm of the Year, at this year's JUVE Awards, held in the Alte Oper, Frankfurt am Main.

DLA Piper advises DASAN Zhone Solutions on intended acquisition of KEYMILE

24 OCT 2018

DLA Piper has advised NASDAQ-listed DASAN Zhone Solutions (DZS), a global leader in fiber access transformation for enterprise and service provider networks, on its intended acquisition of KEYMILE, a leading solution provider and manufacturer of telecommunication systems for broadband access.

DLA Piper advises HCL Technologies on its acquisition of all shares in H&D International Group

6 JUL 2018

DLA Piper has advised India/US-based HCL Technologies, a leading global technology company on its acquisition of the German-based IT and engineering services provider, H&D International Group, consisting of 15 group companies, including subsidiaries based in the US and the Czech Republic. The completion of the transaction is subject to clearance by the German Federal Cartel Office.

DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce Power Systems on its sale of L'Orange GmbH to Woodward Inc.

9 APR 2018

DLA Piper has advised Rolls-Royce Power Systems AG on its sale of L'Orange GmbH to Woodward Inc. Rolls-Royce plc. and Woodward Inc. jointly announced today that they have signed an agreement for Woodward to acquire L'Orange and all its operations located in Germany, the United States and China, for 700 million Euro enterprise value.
