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Prof Dr Ludger Giesberts advises companies, financial institutions, trade associations, public undertakings, federal and national authorities as well as municipalities on all matters regarding environmental and product safety and product liability law, EU law, aviation law, planning, export control law as well as on public-private partnership projects and government affairs.

He advised many companies, authorities and associations before administrative courts, the ECJ and the CFI, inter alia the working group of German commercial airports (ADV), airlines, various federal ministries and industrial companies.

Ludger heads the German Litigation and Regulatory group of DLA Piper comprising more than 60 lawyers. He is also a member of the firm-wide DLA Piper Brexit Committee, which coordinates and implements the firm's approach with respect to the legal consequences of the Brexit.

#### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- German
- English
- Dutch

#### EXPERIENCE

- Judicial representation of industry and waste disposal companies on environmental and waste law before administrative courts, Court of Justice of EU and European Court of Justice
- Advising a chemical company regarding the sale of a business segment based in a chemical park
- Advising an energy company with respect to the upcoming legislative changes regarding

#### RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs
- Product Liability, Mass Torts and Product Stewardship
- Transport
- Projects, Energy and Infrastructure
- Environment, Health and Safety
- Aviation Litigation and Regulation
- Renewables
- EU Law and Policy
- Water and Waste
- Nuclear
- International Trade
- Global Employment Law Compliance

#### RELATED SECTORS

- Energy and Natural Resources
- Government Contracting

#### LANGUAGES

the use of fracking technologies

- Advising companies on product law / product safety, including recalls, as well as automobile manufacturers in the field of "autonomous driving"
- Advising an industrial company in the context of an environmental damage case
- Advising airlines and airports on aviation law
- Advising infrastructure companies and federal states on EU state aid law and representation before the EU Commission
- Judicial representation of companies as well as national authorities (inter alia ministries, the German Federal Aviation Authority) in (EU) state liability matters.

SPOKEN

German English Dutch

## CREDENTIALS

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### Professional Qualifications

- Rechtsanwalt registered with Rechtsanwaltskammer Köln

### Prior Experience

Ludger became a Partner at DLA Piper in March 2008. Before that, he worked for another international law firm for 15 years (10 years as a partner).

### Recognitions

- *JUVE Handbook 2018/2019*: "Tier 1" for public sector: product related environmental law/regulatory law and regulated industries: transport sector
- *JUVE Handbook 2017/2018*: "Deep knowledge of the airport sector"
- *Legal 500 Germany 2019*: "Recommended" for public sector: PPP as well as planning and environment und dispute resolution: commercial litigation
- *Chambers Europe Germany 2017*: "Very quick and exact legal advice, and prominent technical knowledge", client
- *Handelsblatt* in cooperation with *Best Lawyers 2020*: "Recognised" as lawyer of the year for environmental law and "recommended" for environmental law as well as public law

### Education

- Universities of Bonn and Trier, First and Second State Examination, Dr. jur.
- London School of Economics and Political Science, LL.M.
- The German University of Administrative Sciences Speyer, Magister Rerum Publicarum

### Memberships

- German-British Lawyer Association
- Association for Environmental Law

### Lecturer

Ludger is a honorary professor (Honorarprofessor) at Cologne University. He lectures on German public economic law (Öffentliches Wirtschaftsrecht) and EU law.

## INSIGHTS

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He is the author of more than 110 publications, including nine books. He is the co-editor of the *Umweltrecht* (Beck Online

Publication Giesberts/Reinhardt). He is also a member of the board of the *Journal of Airport Management* and the organiser and moderator of the German Aviation Days (*Deutsche Luftfahrttage*).

## Publications

### Consumer action without consumers

11 JUN 2018

Recently introduced by the EU Commission, representative action is one of the cornerstones of the New Deal for Consumers. This is of particular significance for products, their manufacturers, and consumers.

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- "Diesel traffic bans" exceptionally possible ("Diesel-Verkehrsverbote' ausnahmsweise möglich!"), *Neue Zeitschrift für Verwaltungsrecht (NVwZ)* 2018, p. 1276 et seqq
- Giesberts/Reinhardt, Beck's online commentary environmental law ("Beck'scher Onlinekommentar Umweltrecht"), continuously updated, printed version: 2nd edition 2018
- Electrical and Electronic Equipment Act, Commentary ("Elektronikgerätegesetz – ElektroG, Kommentar"), publishing house Beck Verlag , 3rd edition 2018
- Giesberts/Kastelec, The fracking regulatory package ("Das Regelungspaket zum Fracking"), *Neue Zeitschrift für Verwaltungsrecht (NVwZ)* 2017, p. 360 et seqq
- Current issues concerning the fee collection according to Sec. 19b of the German Aviation Act ("Aktuelle Fragen der Entgelterhebung nach § 19b LuftVG"), *Zeitschrift für Luft- und Weltraumrecht (ZLW)* 2016, p. 328 et seqq

View the full list of publications.

## Events

### Previous

#### Are US-Style Consumer Class Actions Coming to Europe?

5 NOV 2018

Webinar

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#### Brexit: Be first to hear our insights on the next big milestone in the negotiations

23 MAR 2018

Webinar

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#### Brexit guidelines webinar: The view from Brussels and London

23 MAR 2018

Webinar

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## NEWS

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## **DLA Piper advises BASF in connection with partial divestiture of European polyamide business**

14 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised DAX company BASF on the acquisition of Solvay's integrated global polyamide business. A corresponding agreement was signed by both companies in September 2017. Following the approval of the transaction by the European Commission in January 2019, which was granted subject to certain conditions including the divestment of polyamide production sites in Europe to a third party, the parties have now reached an agreement on such divestment to Domo Chemicals.

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## **DLA Piper advises James Hardie in US\$549 acquisition of Fermacell**

20 NOV 2017

DLA Piper represents James Hardie Industries, a global fiber cement siding manufacturer, in its acquisition of the German holding company of Fermacell GmbH, a fiber gypsum board manufacturer.

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