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Thomas Schmuck has more than twenty years of M&A experience, advising domestic and international transactions of whatever scale and complexity.

His recent focus has been on advising on transactions in the communications and media sectors, as well as in the banking and insurance sectors.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- German
- English
- French

- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions

- Financial Services
- Media, Sport and Entertainment

German English French

- Advising Greensill Capital on acquiring a majority stake in NordFinanz Bank
- Advising media and advertising holding WPP plc (including Grey, Ogilvy & Mather, Young & Rubicam, J. Walter Thompson) on all German acquisitions during the past twelve years, including the acquisitions of Scholz & Friends and most recently of plista
- Advising MetLife on German aspects of taking over Hartford Financial and Alleghany Corporation on the German issues regarding the acquisition of Transatlantic Reinsurance Company
- Advising trade union holding BGAG in its sale of home savings bank BHW to Postbank and of mortgage bank AHBR to Lonestar
- Advising ING on various bank sales (including Sal. Oppenheim, Degussa Bank, Deutsche Hypothekenbank)

Professional Qualifications

- Rechtsanwalt admitted with Rechtsanwaltskammer Frankfurt am Main

Recognitions

- *JUVE Handbook 2021/2022*: Frequently recommended for M&A
- Handelsblatt in cooperation with *Best Lawyers 2022*: Recommended for corporate

Education

- University of Hamburg, Dr. jur., 1994
- Higher Regional Court of Hamburg, Second State Examination, 1992
- George Washington University, Washington D.C. (Fulbright Scholar), M.C.L., 1989
- Universities of Passau, Göttingen, Geneva and Hamburg, First State Examination, 1988

Memberships

- Frankfurt Bar Association
- Corporate Law Association

INSIGHTS

Publications

Gabler's Encyclopedia Corporate Finance, chapter "Private M&A," 2nd ed. 2012

NEWS

Best Lawyers / Handelsblatt recommends a total of 88 lawyers from DLA Piper in Germany

25 June 2021

This year, the U.S. publisher Best Lawyers has once again recognized numerous DLA Piper lawyers in Germany in various areas of law. In total, Best Lawyers recommends 88 DLA Piper lawyers this year.

DLA Piper advises BearingPoint on sale of RegTech Unit to Nordic Capital

11 November 2020

DLA Piper has advised BearingPoint on the sale of its independent Regulatory Technology (RegTech) unit to leading private equity investor Nordic Capital as part of a share deal. The closing of the transaction with Nordic Capital is subject to customary regulatory approvals. The financial terms of the transaction were not disclosed.

DLA Piper advises ITM Power on joint venture with Linde Group

30 January 2020

DLA Piper has advised the British hydrogen specialist ITM Power (ITM.L) on the establishment of a joint venture with the DAX-listed Linde Group. Both companies will have an equal share in the joint venture.
