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Kerstin Schnabel concentrates on stock corporation law, with a particular focus on capital markets law. She has extensive experience in advising publicly listed companies, such as preparing and holding shareholders' meetings, post-listing compliance and corporate governance issues. Furthermore, the focus areas of her expertise are corporate litigation regarding stock market-related rescission proceedings, approval procedures and legal challenges.

Numerous squeeze-outs, domination agreements and profit transfer agreements with external stakeholders, delisting as well as mergers, change of legal entity and spin-offs pursuant to the German Reorganization Act (UmwG) are structural measures advised upon by Kerstin.

Above that, Kerstin has assisted with a great number of capital measures, such as secondary placements and subscription rights issues and regularly deals with public takeovers issues.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English
- German

- Public Company and Corporate Governance
- Capital Markets
- Mergers and Acquisitions

- Technology
- Real Estate

English German

- Representation of a TecDAX listed company in connection with its cross-border merger for absorption of a European subsidiary to continue the efficient Corporate Governance practice and maintain the number of supervisory board members based on European merger directive and the German Act on the Co-Determination of Employees in Cross-Border mergers (MgVG)
- Representation of Deutsche Immobilien Chancen Group, the major shareholder of DIC Asset AG, in connection with the capital increase in cash and kind of SDAX listed DIC Asset AG
- Representation of the Supervisory Board of MDAX listed LEG Immobilien AG in connection with its change of legal entity into a German stock corporation and in connection with the subsequent IPO of LEG Immobilien AG
- Representation of the US American Production Resource Group in connection with the exclusion of minority shareholders of

PROCON MultiMedia AG listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange with subsequent merger (first reorganizational squeeze-out in Germany)

- Representation of TecDAX listed QSC AG in connection with the merger of INFO Gesellschaft für Informationssysteme AG ("INFO AG") with its sister company IP Partner AG. The minority shareholders of INFO AG were excluded by way of reorganizational squeeze-out against cash compensation

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Rechtsanwältin admitted with Rechtsanwaltskammer Cologne

Prior Experience

- 2008, Joined DLA Piper as Partner
- 2004-2008, Local Partner at a large international law firm in Düsseldorf
- 2000-2004, Associate at a large international law firm in Düsseldorf

Recognitions

- *JUVE Handbook 2021/2022*: Frequently recommended for corporate law; "high qualification and excellent sense for practice-oriented solutions", client
- *Legal 500 Germany 2022*: Recommended for compliance and corporate law
- *Handelsblatt* in cooperation with *Best Lawyers 2022*: Recommended for corporate
- *Acritas Stars 2019*: Listed as "Star Lawyer" in Germany

Education

- University of Heidelberg (Ruprecht-Karls Universität Heidelberg), First State Examination, 1994
- Higher Regional Court of Düsseldorf, Second State Examination 1996

INSIGHTS

Kerstin is the author of numerous publications in specialist journals (i.a. *Bewertungspraktiker*).

Kerstin regularly speaks at conferences and seminars regarding corporate law topics (i.a. EACVA).

Publications

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23 May 2021

NEWS

Best Lawyers / Handelsblatt recommends a total of 90 lawyers from DLA Piper in Germany

24 June 2022

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

DLA Piper advises Jungheinrich AG on the acquisition of arculus GmbH

10 November 2021

DLA Piper has advised Jungheinrich AG on the acquisition of arculus GmbH, a technology company based in Munich that operates in the autonomous mobile robots (AMR) sector.

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 Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG on formation of production joint venture with Masterwork

8 December 2020

DLA Piper has advised Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG ("Heidelberg") on the formation of a production joint venture with its long-standing partner and strategic anchor shareholder Masterwork Group Co. ("Masterwork"). With this joint venture, Heidelberg aims to further strengthen its leading competitive position in the growth market of China.

DLA Piper advises Heidelberger Druckmaschinen on the sale of Gallus Group

23 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised Heidelberger Druckmaschinen AG (Heidelberg) on the sale of Gallus Group to Swiss packaging business benpac holding ag. With this transaction Heidelberg is systematically pursuing the company's realignment, which includes focusing on its core business of sheetfed printing. The sale, which still needs to be approved by the relevant bodies and is subject to other condition precedents, is set to take effect before the end of 2020.
