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Dr Christian Schoop advises national and international companies on all issues of commercial criminal law and the monitoring of criminal investigations. This includes both the representation of companies having suffered damage and those cases where employees committed criminal offences to the alleged benefit of the company.

A further focus of his work is on advising companies with regard to internal investigations and on the development and implementation of compliance systems. Furthermore, Christian Schoop monitors the conduct of compliance due diligence, in particular in the context of M&A transactions.

In many cases, the advice also includes the involvement of international colleagues, e.g. from the U.S. or Great Britain.

In addition to advising on traditional business crimes, such as corruption and breach of trust, Christian Schoop specializes in representing clients in connection with environmental crimes and offenses related to cyber attacks.

- White Collar and Corporate Crime
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Regulatory and Government Affairs

- Financial Services
- Energy and Natural Resources
- Media, Sport and Entertainment
- Technology
- Insurance

- M-Dax Group: Advice (criminal, corporate and civil law) / defence in the preliminary proceedings on suspicion of tax fraud, breach of trust and bribery in 38 jurisdictions and conduct of a comprehensive internal investigation
- International food manufacturer: Advice (criminal, insurance, civil and public law) / defence due to preliminary proceedings in connection with a tank explosion and a poisonous cloud (suspicion of the grossly negligent causation of an explosion etc.) and conduct of an internal investigation
- International real estate funds: Internal investigation on suspicion of bribery in business transactions
- International pharmaceutical company: Internal investigation regarding (civil and criminal law) product liability and product recall
- International pharmaceutical company: Advice on search and seizure
- DAX-30 company: Advice on the introduction of a tax compliance management system
- Advising a real estate fund on CEO fraud in the millions (including asset tracing and recovery in 7 jurisdictions)

- Bank: Advice on cybercrime attack and theft of customer data

## CREDENTIALS

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### Prior Experience

Before joining DLA Piper in 2009 Christian worked for another international law firm in Frankfurt (2006-2009) and as research associate at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich (2002-2004).

### Recognitions

- *JUVE Handbook 2021/2022*: Leading name for compliance investigations and frequently recommended for white-collar crime: advice to companies; "excellent", client; "inspiring", "strategic foresight", "excellent corporate counsel", competitor; 2019/2020: "very skilled at steering large team defences", "assertive, organised, reliable, competent", competitors
- *Legal 500 Germany 2022*: Recommended for compliance and internal investigations, further for white-collar crime: advice to companies and finally trade and distribution: foreign trade law; "Christian Schoop is very knowledgeable and has a great deal of practical experience in the field of compliance and criminal law as well as internal investigations" and "is a pleasant contact person who is always available in a solution-oriented manner."; "Christian Schoop rightly has an excellent reputation in the field of white-collar criminal law" and he is "well-versed in the development of compliance management systems."
- *Handelsblatt* in cooperation with *Best Lawyers 2022*: Recommended for criminal defense
- *WirtschaftsWoche 2022*: Recommended as "top lawyer" for compliance

### Education

- University of Bochum First State Examination, 2002
- Higher Regional Court of Düsseldorf Second State Examination, 2006
- University of Göttingen, Ph.D., 2007

### Memberships

- Board member of the German Defence Counsel Association
- White Collar Crime Organisation

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### Germany: Corporate sanctions reform is on the way

23 February 2022

What is certain is that during the current legislative period, a plan to sanction corporate offenses will be implemented.

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#### Germany - Global bribery offenses guide

11 January 2022

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Christian Schoop is the author of numerous articles in law journals and in the daily and business press (FAZ, Börsenzeitung and PLATO Recht) as well as the head of the publication series of Deutsche Strafverteidiger e.V.

He is a co-author of the 'Criminal Compliance' handbook (ed. Thomas Rotsch, Nomos Verlag 2014) and of the book 'Fiskalstrafrecht' with respect to the chapter on 'Durchsuchung und Beschlagnahme' (search and seizure), (ed. Markus Adick/Jens Bülte, C. F. Müller Verlag 2015). He is also a co-editor and a co-author of the book 'Das Unternehmensstrafrecht und seine Alternativen' (ed. Jahn/Schmitt-Leonardy/Schoop, Nomos Verlag 2016).

## Events

### Previous

#### **Webinar: The Lure of The East – Investment Opportunity and Risk for German Investors in Asia**

21 September 2021  
Webinar

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#### **Pan-European Week: Crime made Clear – Navigating criminal and compliance risks**

19 April 2021

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#### **A practical guide to privilege in cyber investigations**

15 October 2020  
Webinar

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Christian Schoop is a regular speaker at conferences and seminars regarding white collar crime and compliance issues.

He is the host of technical seminars, one of them is *StPO-Nordseetreffen*.