



Germany

Core strengths

Simmons & Simmons is a leading international law firm with 1,500 employees throughout our network of offices in Europe, the Middle East and Asia. Our German offices are based in Düsseldorf, Frankfurt and Munich.

We especially advise on complex, often cross-border matters with a focus on the Asset Management & Investment Funds, Financial Institutions, Healthcare & Life Sciences, Energy & Infrastructure as well as Technology and Media & Telecommunications (TMT) sectors.

Our services

Antitrust

- Restriction of competition, dominant undertakings, merger control

Banking

- Business, real-estate and project financing (including PPP), export financing, secured and unsecured loans

Capital markets

- Bonds, structured securities, derivatives, CLNs, synthetic financial instruments

Corporate and M&A

- Mergers and acquisitions, private equity, public takeovers, public offerings, IPOs, capital increases, joint ventures, privatisations, corporate and partnership law, group law, corporate reorganisations, restructuring

Data protection

- Data transfer, employee surveillance, external data protection officer

Employment

- Forensic, advisory and transaction related work relating to individual and collective employment law, merger and integration processes,

restructuring and outsourcing projects, company pension schemes

Financial services

- Cross-border financial transactions, regulatory reporting, compliance, outsourcing, energy trading, licensing issues

Information, Communication & Technology (ICT)

- Software development and license agreements, data protection and IT/outsourcing projects, M&A transactions, FinTech

Investment law

- Open-ended and closed-ended funds, ETFs, on- and offshore vehicles, pension funds, cross-border distribution

IP

- Patent infringement litigation, other IP rights, R&D agreements, licensing agreements, unfair competition law matters

Litigation and dispute resolution

- Ordinary jurisdiction, international arbitration, ADR, risk management, compliance, commercial criminal law

Pharma and medical devices

- Clinical trials, licensing, contract drafting, cooperation, advertising

Product liability

- Product recall, assertion of claims for damages, crisis management, reviewing legal risks, quality assurance agreements, drafting contract terms

Real estate

- Acquisition, sale and financing of real estate portfolios, advice on real estate transactions and the management of real estate, commercial tenancy law, real estate broker law, private building law

Restructuring

- Insolvency law, distressed M&A, refinancing, restructuring, NPLs

Tax

- Transaction structuring, tax optimisation in respect of groups, fund structures, financial products, and representation in tax audits and disputes with tax authorities

References

Allianz Global Investors

- merger of the asset management subsidiary of Allianz SE into Allianz Global Investors Europe GmbH and cross-border fusion with Rogge Global Partners into AllianzGI

Allianz Renewable Energy Fund II

- legal advice on the acquisition of solar parks in Great Britain

Ascendis Pharma

- advice on regulatory and corporate law issues

Bayer

- diverse international patent infringement cases concerning, among others, monoclonal antibodies and medical devices as well as on European patent registrations

Bayerische Landesbank

- issuance of promissory note loans and impact under tax law and medical devices as well as on European patent registrations

BNY Mellon SA/NV

- advising on the revision of 17 sales brochures

Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica

- successful representation in infringement litigation and in the enforcement of the company's own patents

Chenavari Investment Managers

- setting up a Luxembourg trading platform

Chemical and pharmaceutical companies

- contractual and regulatory advice in the field of medical devices in various digital health projects

Dubai International Capital

- employment law advice for all German subsidiaries

E.ON SE

- setting up and running the international whistleblowing hotline

Genmab A/S

- comprehensive advice on building a network of local offices in Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Spain for the commercialization of Genmab A / S's pharmaceutical products in Europe

GlaxoSmithKline

- ongoing advice on regulatory issues

International telecommunications company

- complex projects in the field of telecommunications, cloud computing & hosting as well as machine to machine (M2M)

Janus Henderson Investors

- advising on the investment in BioNTech AG

J.P.Morgan Securities plc

- advising on issuance of structured products under German law

Larry Thompson (monitor in the VW "dieselgate" proceedings)

- advising on all questions of German labor and data protection law

Larsen & Toubro Infotech

- advising on the acquisition of Luxembourg-based Syncordis S.A., a leading provider of banking applications

Leading rating agency

- data protection matters, including amendment and introduction of policies

M7 Real Estate

- advising the funds and joint ventures founded by M7 on the purchase and sale of various light industrial and retail real estate portfolios as well as their financing and refinancing by way of syndicated and bilateral loans and CMBS structures, including asset management advice

Macquarie Bank Ltd.

- advising on infrastructure funds

Metro Group

- advising on an equity investment and a European joint venture with Auchan and Casino

Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance Europe

- reorganisation under employment law due to a Part VII portfolio transfer

MOOG Inc.

- advising on the acquisition of Rotary Business / ReKofa GmbH from Morgan Advanced Materials and the acquisition of VUES Brno s.r.o.

Multi Family Office

- advising on the restructuring of several investment funds in Germany, Luxembourg and Belgium in the light of the investment tax reform

Pepkor Europe Limited

- advising on the comprehensive refinancing and restructuring of the Steinhoff Group

Polaris group

- ongoing corporate law advice in relation to the German subsidiary

Reemtsma (subsidiary of Imperial Tobacco)

- advising on licensing agreement with a research company, planned product launches and consequences of a patent litigation dispute

Round Hill Capital

- advising on the acquisition of large residential portfolios in Berlin and in Frankfurt

RWE

- international Ombudsman activity

Samsung

- ongoing advice on competition and trademark issues

Schweizer Großbank

- advising on the partial repurchase of several outstanding registered bonds

Teleflex Inc.

- ongoing corporate law advice including restructuring of German investments

Various international financial investors

- representing bond creditors in the insolvency proceedings of Air Berlin PLC

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