

Luther advises QSIL SE on acquisition of H.C. Starck Group locations in Germany, England, China and India

Leipzig, 21.09.2022 – The internationally active materials specialist QSIL is taking over the sites in Hermsdorf (DE), Calne (GB), Taicang (CN) and Bangalore (IN) from the H.C. Starck High Performance Metal Solutions, a leading supplier of high-performance metals. QSIL was again comprehensively advised by Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft.

With the acquisition of the three locations in Germany, England and China, QSIL SE continues its successful growth course of the past years and expands its globally unique portfolio with products, technologies and solution competences from the field of refractory metals with high melting points and extreme resistance. In addition, QSIL SE is taking over a sales location in India. The QSIL Group will thus be able to offer its customers the complete range of high-performance materials for critical solutions in the semiconductor, chemical and mechanical engineering industries from a single source and, with now 1,000 employees and annual sales of over EUR 200 million, will strengthen its leading position in these markets. The closing of the transaction is subject to the approval of the competent authorities in the United Kingdom.

Luther has already provided legal advice to QSIL SE on previous acquisitions and also provided comprehensive legal and tax advice to the client on this transaction.

About QSIL SE:

QSIL Group is an innovative, internationally active materials specialist for the development and production of sophisticated solutions from a broad portfolio of high-performance materials and proprietary manufacturing technologies. Among other things, QSIL specialises in the production of high-purity quartz glass, special glasses and technical ceramics. Key markets include the semiconductor, analytical and diagnostic, traditional and technical light source industries, as well as various applications in mechanical and plant engineering, the chemical industry and glass fibre production. QSIL has a globally diversified customer base. Customers include major companies from Europe, Asia and the Americas. In 2021, QSIL generated sales of over EUR 120 million with approximately 750 employees.

About H.C. Starck High Performance Metal Solutions:

The companies of the H. C. Starck High Performance Metal Solutions stand for over 100 years of experience as a leading premium supplier of the high-performance metals tungsten, molybdenum, tantalum and niobium. With modern manufacturing technologies, such as electron beam welding, 3D printing, water jet cutting and ultra-precise CNC machining centres, products are manufactured both individually for customers and in series. The finished products are essential for medical technology, mechanical engineering and the aerospace industry, among others.

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