

### Luther promotes ten partners and twelve counsels for the 2025/2026 financial year

Cologne, July 4, 2025 – Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH continues its growth course and underscores its clear commitment to promoting and developing its employees. Ten colleagues were promoted to partner status as of July 1, 2025, at the beginning of the new fiscal year. Twelve more will assume responsibility as counsel in the future.

- The following have been appointed partners: *Caroline Ackermann* (Munich), *Ofeliia Assa* (Frankfurt am Main), *Dr. Johannes Becker* (Frankfurt am Main), *Dr. Thorsten Becker* (Frankfurt am Main), *Anne Biebler* (Leipzig), *Bernhard Burkert* (Berlin), *Oliver Köhler* (Frankfurt am Main), *Alexander F. Liebing* (Leipzig), *Robert Pacholski* (Leipzig), *Dr. Frederic Tewes* (Düsseldorf)
- The following are delighted to have been promoted to counsel status this year: *Samira Altdorf* (Düsseldorf), *Dr. Robert Burkert* (Hamburg), *Salvatore Calcagno* (Stuttgart), *Stefan Jokel* (Frankfurt am Main), *Dr. Sonja Daniela Kellermann* (Hamburg), *Dr. Piotr Kwiatkowski* (Essen), *Alexander Masson* (Essen), *Matthias Mehlwitz* (Essen), *Stephanie Quaß* (Frankfurt), *Dr. Christian Rabe* (Hamburg), *Dr. Isabel Schäfer* (Hamburg), *Jana Anna Voigt* (Düsseldorf)

“Congratulations to all those promoted! Your commitment and achievements over the past years deserve great recognition,” says **Elisabeth Lepique**, Managing Partner. “I am proud to accompany such motivated and competent colleagues as they take the next step in their careers. Our firm thrives on the dedication and quality of its talent – the new partners and counsel are a strong testament to this.”

Managing Partner **Dr. Markus Sengpiel** adds: “The promotions reflect not only the trust we place in our junior staff, but also the culture of appreciation and development that distinguishes us as a law firm. Our commitment to promoting young talent has once again paid off. I am convinced that our new partners and counsels will make a significant contribution to Luther's continued positive development.”

- **Caroline Ackermann** joined Luther in 2022 as a lawyer specializing in public procurement law and brings her diverse experience and expertise to bear in providing tailored advice to public sector clients and companies.
- **Ofeliia Assa** joined Luther in 2019 and has extensive experience in advising leading German, Australian, European, and US asset managers and credit institutions.

- **Dr. Johannes Becker** advises on corporate law and M&A. His practice focuses on advising on national and international corporate transactions, joint ventures and corporate restructuring.
- **Dr. Thorsten Becker** joined Luther in 2023. He advises domestic and foreign clients on national and international transactions in corporate law, in particular on acquisitions and sales of companies.
- **Anne Biebler** provides comprehensive advice to start-ups and listed companies on contractual and corporate law matters, particularly in the healthcare and life sciences sector.
- **Bernhard Burkert** has been admitted to the bar since 2012 and works at Luther. He advises on all issues relating to public construction law and environmental law.
- **Oliver Köhler** joined Luther in 2025 and specializes in advising on complex financial restructurings as well as StaRUG, self-administration, and protective shield proceedings.
- **Alexander F. Liebing** joined Luther in 2024. He primarily advises clients on financing rounds (start-ups/VC/PE), the sale and acquisition of companies and company interests (M&A) and succession issues.
- **Robert Pacholski** has been with Luther since 2006 and has many years of experience in designing and implementing corporate restructuring measures as well as in collective bargaining negotiations and collective bargaining disputes, particularly in the healthcare sector.
- **Dr. Frederic Tewes** has been a lawyer at Luther since 2017. He advises domestic and foreign clients on all aspects of real estate law and construction and architectural law.

In the 2024/2025 financial year, which ended on June 30, 2025, the Luther partnership welcomed the following new external members:

- April 2025: **Georg Scherpf** represents clients in commercial and investment arbitration proceedings.
- March 2025: **Lars Bollensen** specializes in private construction and architectural law as well as real estate law.
- January 2025: **Dr. David von Saucken** is admitted to practice law in Germany and England. As head of Luther's London office, he advises clients from the United Kingdom.
- November 2024: **Dr. Astrid Seehafer** is a specialist in product compliance, product liability, and ESG.
- October 2024: **Dr. Anika Wendelstein** is a renowned disputes expert who represents clients in complex commercial disputes before arbitration tribunals and state courts.

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Luther is a leading German commercial law firm that offers comprehensive legal and tax advice. The full-service law firm employs over 420 lawyers and tax advisors and is represented in ten German economic hubs as well

as with 11 of its own international offices in key investment locations and financial centres in Europe and Asia. Its clients include medium-sized enterprises and large corporations, as well as the public sector.

Luther works closely with other commercial law firms in all the prevailing jurisdictions. Luther is a member of unyer ([www.unyer.com](http://www.unyer.com)), a global organisation of leading professional services firms that cooperate exclusively with each other.

Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH is a law firm with a business approach: our innovative awareness aspires us to provide our clients with customised legal advice that addresses individual needs and delivers the greatest possible economic benefit. All of Luther's lawyers and tax advisers have a solid understanding of interdisciplinary matters and a wealth of experience in collaborating on complex tasks. Luther was honoured as JUVE Law Firm of the Year for Regulation in 2024. Further information is available at: [www.luther-lawfirm.com](http://www.luther-lawfirm.com).

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