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Real Estate: Luther gains team around Katharina von Hermanni for Munich office

Munich – Katharina von Hermanni (36, Partner) will join the Munich office of Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH on 01 November 2016. Hailing from Hogan Lovells, the specialist for real estate law will be accompanied by Dr. Andreas Eichler (35, Counsel) and Irene Nezer-Kasch (31, Associate). All three have been advising clients in the Real Estate practice group at Hogan Lovells and will continue to work in that field at Luther.

Katharina von Hermanni has specialized in real estate since the beginning of her career as a lawyer. She has been advising clients on transactions involving individual properties or real estate portfolios, as well as on the acquisition of real estate development projects and in the area of commercial leasing, for over 10 years.

She has supported both national as well as international real estate companies as well as institutional investors and banks in real estate transactions of all asset classes in Germany, including Marcol Group (British real estate investor), BlackRock, Halifax Bank of Scotland, LaSalle Investment Management, and MEAG (investment company belonging to Munich Re and ERGO). She has significant experience in structuring and implementing transactions involving individual properties and real estate portfolios (including setting up data rooms and realizing structured tendering procedures), and has successfully advised and supported clients in forward funding deals and real estate development projects. Moreover, she has assisted large corporations in managing the relocation of individual locations or their entire

headquarters, in particular by advising them on strategy and in the area of commercial leasing law.

Katharina von Hermanni: "I am delighted to be developing the real estate practice at the Munich office together with my team, and to be able to offer my clients outstanding expert advice in the areas of public and private construction law, commercial leasing, and real estate transactions, all under one roof."

Achim Meier, Head of the Real Estate practice at Luther: "With the team around Ms. von Hermanni, we are continuing to pursue our expansion strategy. Particularly in an important real estate market like Munich, this is a clear signal to the market and part of our business plan. Ms. von Hermanni's pragmatic and creative approach is an excellent match for our Real Estate Service Line team, which now has a total staff of 60."

Brief biographies

Katharina von Hermanni was born in Hannover, studied in Leipzig, and has worked for Hogan Lovells since 2006. In this industry, she is known as a pragmatic and solution-oriented transaction lawyer.

As an experienced presenter and facilitator Katharina von Hermanni speaks at a variety of events on topics related to real estate law. Moreover, she is a member of Women in Real Estate ("Frauen in der Immobilienwirtschaft e.V."), a registered German association, and has founded the Real Estate Women Loge in Munich.

Dr. Andreas Eichler has worked in real estate law at Hogan Lovells since 2011, advising international and national funds and institutional investors. Within the area of real estate transactions, his focus is on logistics and hotel properties. Moreover, he has extensive expertise in the area of real estate development projects and in advising clients on property, facility and asset management contracts.

Andreas Eichler has "Master of Corporate Real Estate" and "Master of International Commercial Law" degrees and is a member of CoreNet Global and IMMOEBS e.V.

Irene Nezer-Kasch has worked in real estate law at Hogan Lovells since the beginning of 2015, advising international and national funds and institutional investors in the area of commercial leasing and in real estate transactions.

Thanks to her Russian roots, Irene Nezer-Kasch is fluent in Russian and will focus on advising investors from the Russian-speaking world.

Brief Profile Luther

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