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"Rethinking Medicine": Luther advises Siegen pilot project in university medicine

In the rural regions of North Rhine-Westphalia there is a shortage of doctors. The University of Siegen wants to tackle this problem with a new, forward-looking course of studies focusing on mobile medical practices and digital diagnostics. Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft advises the University and its four partners in Siegen on the cooperation with the University of Bonn and the establishment of a suitable legal framework.

The pilot project, which is funded by the state of North Rhine-Westphalia with 6.5 million euros annually, was named "Rethinking Medicine". The renowned partner of the pilot project is the Medical Faculty of the University of Bonn. The medical students will study there for the first six semesters before they can move to Siegen and devote themselves to high-performance digital diagnostics. Four partner clinics (DRK-Kinderklinik, Kreisklinikum Siegen, Diakonie-Klinikum and St. Marienkrankenhaus Siegen) provide further practical training for students in Siegen. Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft is contributing its comprehensive expertise in the field of university medicine to the cooperation. Luther partners Dr. Thomas Gohrke and Thomas Köhler are a well-coordinated team in this field: for many years they have advised university hospitals and universities on legal, tax, strategic and economic issues.

"The design and establishment of new forms of cooperation between universities, medical faculties and classic planned hospitals, especially in the field of medical training, is a nationwide trend," says Luther attorney Dr. Thomas Gohrke. "By accompanying the pilot

project, we are demonstrating the leading position of our consulting practice group in the health care sector.”

The project " Rethinking Medicine"

The model project "Rethinking Medicine" is a study programme offered by the Universities of Bonn and Siegen. The two universities are setting up a new course of study in human medicine and are cooperating with four Siegen hospitals. The new study programme is intended in particular to help improve medical care in rural areas. Research and teaching also play a key role in the field of digital medicine. The first 25 students will begin their studies in the winter semester 2018/19.

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