

## Dr. Dirk Debald

Partner

Hamburg

### Biography

Dirk Debald focuses on real estate law. During his extensive career, he gathered particular experience and exceptional knowledge in real estate and corporate law as well as in commercial tenancy law.

Dirk's advice covers the entire life cycle of property – from transactions to financing, real estate outsourcing, real estate M&A, project development, portfolio management and renting. National and international investors, mainly of the institutional kind, open- and closed-ended funds as well as private family offices all belong to his clients.

Dirk has successfully completed many deals in the past in particular for special properties such as retail and office buildings, hotels, senior citizen homes and logistics centers. These contributed to Dirk being listed as "Recommended lawyer in the real estate sector" by *Best Lawyers*® for Germany and being a recommended lawyer for real estate in *JUVE* and *Chambers Europe*. Dirk is the head of the German Real Estate Practice. He went to university in Trier and spent some years in our Frankfurt office after that. Dirk spent quite some time working directly for one of our clients in Great Britain.

### Representative experience

Advising Groß & Partner on the acquisition of the FOUR T1 skyscraper by way of a forward share deal.

Advising Union Investment on a number of projects,



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### Languages

English  
German

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### Practices

Real Estate  
Real Estate Finance

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### Industries

Financial Institutions  
Real Estate  
Private Capital

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### Areas of focus

Corporate Occupiers

most recently on the acquisition of the headquarter of the shipping company Hamburg-Süd and on the acquisition of "Neue Balan Haus 27" in Munich.

Advising Prologis on various projects, recently on the acquisition of 11 logistics properties in Berlin and the Rhein-Ruhr region with a total size of 548,200 sqm.

Advising PATRIZIA on the sale of a logistics portfolio, the acquisition of a district center with a nursing home, the sale of Ericus-Contor in Hamburg and the acquisition of a nursing home portfolio.

Advising Values Real Estate on the acquisition of the mixed-used district center "Zehlendorfer Welle" in Berlin.

Advising MAS for example on the sale of a retail portfolio as well as on the acquisition of a shopping center in Flensburg as well as on asset management issues.

Advising HIH on the acquisition and sale of various office and logistics properties, recently on the sale of the office building "Schlump One" in Hamburg.

Advising Commerzbank on the sale of its Hamburg HQ, on the lease of 20,000 sqm of space in Hamburg, as well as on the lease of 73,000 sqm of office space in the Central Business Tower in Frankfurt.

## Awards and rankings

- Recommended lawyer and leading partner in real estate, *JUVE handbook*, 2023/2024
- Recommended for Real Estate, *Chambers Europe*, 2023
- Global Leader for Real Estate, *Who's Who Legal*, 2023
- Listed for Real Estate, *Best Lawyers™ in Germany*, 2024
- Thought Leader Germany for Real Estate, *Who's Who Legal*, 2023

Hotels and Leisure

Planning, Zoning, and Land Use

Real Estate Development

Real Estate Investment

Real Estate Funds

Real Estate Private Equity

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## Education and admissions

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Dr. iur., Trier University, 2005

Second State Exam in Law,  
Higher Regional Court of  
Koblenz, 2002

First State Exam in Law, Trier  
University, 1999

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## Accolades

Dirk Debald has outstanding knowledge in various subject areas, a very high level of commitment, his reaction speed is unique, he is very customer-orientated, goes the extra mile and always works in a solution-oriented manner.

*Legal 500 Germany, 2024*

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Dirk Debald is characterised by his responsiveness, his knowledge of the German market and his ability to find ways out of difficult situations.

*Legal 500 Germany, 2024*

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'Dirk Debald is the most responsive,

- Recommended for Real Estate, *Legal 500 Germany, 2024*
- Lawyer of the Year in Real Estate Law in Hamburg, *Best Lawyers™ in Germany, 2022*
- Recommended for Real Estate, *Legal 500 Germany, 2023*

## Latest thinking and events

- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises Cain on the acquisition of a development site in Germany
- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises SUNfarming on sale of shares of Cube Green Energy
- Events
  - MIPIM 2024
- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises HIH Invest Real Estate GmbH on sale of properties in New Zealand
- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises Blackbrook and NVELOP on investment in Germany
- Press releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises Storengy on a joint venture with CM Fluids

knowledgeable and commercially minded real estate lawyer I have worked with in Germany', client

*Legal 500 Germany, 2023*

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"outstanding", "excellent advice, strong negotiating skills, experience", clients

*JUVE handbook, 2023/2024*

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