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Biography

Joachim W. Habetha brings more than 20 years of transactional experience with him. His practice is focused on private equity, corporate finance, corporate M&A and joint ventures as well as corporate restructuring. In particular, his buy-side and sell-side advice on large- and mid-cap private equity buyouts has been acknowledged as a "strong track record in major private equity deals" (*Chambers Europe*). Also family-owned "Mittelstand" enterprises and family investment vehicles use his wealth of experience. Market participants describe him as "detail-oriented and highly experienced" (*Chambers Europe*).

Whether you conduct an M&A auction or you are in one-on-one negotiations of a transaction, Joachim is at the centre where clients' priorities for economic and legal compounds merge. He brings together our M&A teams across the industry sectors and jurisdictions that are important to you for the relevant transaction; whether full teams from the outset or small teams at the starting line with options to expand as the transaction develops.

In addition to his long practicing as an attorney-at-law (Rechtsanwalt), Joachim has also been admitted as a German notary (Notar) in Frankfurt since 2009. Joachim started his professional career as an assistant lecturer with Prof. Dr. Dieter Reuter at the University of Kiel, Germany, where he was awarded a doctor of



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Languages

English
German

Practices

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Corporate Governance and Public
Company Representation
Financial Services
Investment Funds
Joint Ventures
Mergers and Acquisitions
Private Equity
Our legal work in Africa

Industries

jurisprudence in 1994 (published with C.F. Müller in 1995). Further, Joachim holds a Master of Laws which he earned at the European University Institute, Florence, in an academic year supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). Joachim regularly publishes on selected legal topics. Inter alia, he is a co-author of the commentary on the *German Banking Act (KWG)* published by C.H.Beck.

Representative experience

Advising Five Arrows Principal Investments on the acquisition of ProSpitalia group.

Advising Advent International and The Carlyle Group on their joint acquisition of H.C. Starck group from Bayer and follow-up disposal transactions.

Advising Weissker Group/NDT Global on the acquisition of the national and international businesses of the insolvent NDT Systems & Services AG.

Advising Quadriga Capital on portfolio restructurings and management equity participations.

Advising GFKL group on various company sales.

Advising THALES Avionics S.A. on the acquisition of Diehl Luftfahrt Elektronik and the integration of Diehl Luftfahrt Elektronik in Diehl Aerospace GmbH.

Advising a German founder family on the sale of their majority participation in DIS Deutscher Industrie Service AG to Adecco.

Advising Advent International on the sale of Oxea to Oman Oil Company (OOC).

Advising Advent International on the acquisition of GFKL Financial Services AG.

Advising Advent International on the acquisition of Takko Holding GmbH from Permira and Alpinvest.

Awards and rankings

- Recommended Lawyer, *Best Lawyers*, 2015
- "Excellent Lawyer". Leading lawyer in Private Equity, *Chambers Europe*, 2014

Consumer
Financial Institutions
Life Sciences and Health Care

Areas of focus

Bolt-ons
Buy Outs
Carve-outs, Spin-offs, and Split-offs
Company Formation
Corporate and Commercial Transactions
Corporate Group Structures
Cross-border Mergers and Acquisitions
Exits
Institutional Investors
Management Teams
Private Equity and Venture Capital Funds
Public Company Mergers and Acquisitions

Education and admissions

Education

LL.M., European University Institute, Florence
Kiel University
University of Surrey

- Recommended lawyer in Private Equity Transactions/
Venture Capital, *JUVE handbook*, 2013/2014
- Private Equity: Transactions, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises VALOREO on transaction with Razor
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises KIRKBI Invest A/S and William Demant Invest A/S on the sale of their indirect interests in the German offshore wind farm Borkum Riffgrund I
- Press releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises pipeline integrity specialist NDT Global Limited on the sale of NDT Global Group to Canadian Eddyfi NDT Inc.
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Newsflash on Alternative Investment Funds