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BEITEN BURKHARDT to Open New Office in Hamburg - Dr. Thomas Lambrich From Prinz, Neidhardt, Engelschall to Join

Munich, 5 December 2017 – In January 2018, the international law firm BEITEN BURKHARDT shall open a representative office in the Hanseatic City of Hamburg and has won Dr. Thomas Lambrich from the law firm Prinz, Neidhardt, Engelschall as Equity Partner and Torsten Cütler from Schultze & Braun as Salary Partner. Also a total number of nine lawyers will move either fully or in part-time to the Hamburg office.

"In our view this opening is another logical strategic step as BEITEN BURKHARDT maintains offices where our clients are settled and where we can provide the best advisory quality. In Hamburg, just as in all our other offices, we shall offer the entire range of commercial law and business consultancy services, and we will certainly continue to advise our clients across practice groups and offices", says Frank Obermann, Managing Partner of BEITEN BURKHARDT and adds: "With Messrs Lambrich and Cütler joining us, we continue our course of targeted growth with lateral hires in selected areas. We are very pleased to have won two recognised experts with an impressive network of contacts in the market, who will work with our colleagues joining in from other offices to launch business in Hamburg."

Dr. Thomas Lambrich is member of the Labour & Employment Law practice group. He advises German and international companies of various sizes and in different industries on all individual and collective labour law issues. A focus of his activities is the drafting and negotiation of collective agreements with trade unions or works councils, especially in the context of restructuring measures as well as with regard to working time models and remuneration schemes. Furthermore, his advisory focus is on the assignment of external staff and the leasing of employees where he provides both the conceptional and contractual drawing up and the performance of complex compliance investigations. As Dr. Lambrich has concurrent expertise and experience in media and data privacy law, he is specialised in rendering legal and strategic advice during media relevant corporate crises considered in the light of labour law aspects. In addition, he advises sports clubs, athletes and players' agents in particular on the drafting and termination of contractual relationships.

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"For me, BEITEN BURKHARDT represents the ideal combination of an excellently established, powerful labour law practice and a consequent full service approach focussed on commercial law with a clear specialisation in specific industries", explains Dr. Thomas Lambrich his move and adds: „I am more than pleased to be on board for the start of the Hamburg office, and to jointly tackle the exciting challenge of enhancing the presence of BEITEN BURKHARDT in the North German market together with the new colleagues.“

Torsten Cütler is member of the practice group Banking, Finance and Capital Market Law. His area of activity comprises legal advice on financial aspects of restructurings, insolvency law as well as corporate law. In particular does he assist companies, investors and creditors with judicial and extrajudicial rescue and restructuring proceedings and advises on financing issues or distressed M&A transactions.

The following lawyers will move to work at the new location on the river Elbe, either part-time or completely:

Dr. Angelica von der Decken (Equity Partner, IP/IT/Media, Munich)
Dr. Hans-Peter Mechlem (Equity Partner, Labour & Employment Law, Munich)
Dr. Guido Krüger (Equity Partner, Tax Law, Dusseldorf)
Dr. Dietmar O. Reich, (Equity Partner, Antitrust Law, Brussels)
Oliver Köster (Salary Partner, Corporate/M&A, Berlin)
Julia Alexandra Schütte (Salary Partner, Labour & Employment Law, Berlin)
Marco Tautorat (Salary Partner, Banking, Finance and Capital Markets Law, Frankfurt am Main)
Léon Wolters (Salary Partner, Labour & Employment Law, Munich)
Sebastian Zajons (Salary Partner, Tax Law, Dusseldorf)

"The business landscape of Hamburg features an extremely diversified broad range of industry sectors", comments Frank Obermann, and adds: "Large and medium-sized companies from industries such as aeronautics and transport, healthcare, energy and media

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business as well as the public sector but also financial and insurance services are domiciled in Hamburg. This mix of trades and industries matches perfectly the portfolio of BEITEN BURKHARDT and will substantially contribute to further develop our industry-focussed consultancy."

BEITEN BURKHARDT will continue to further expand its new representative office, thus pursuing its course of targeted growth with lateral hires in selected areas.

Including Hamburg BEITEN BURKHARDT is represented with five German offices, one office in Brussels and China respectively and two offices in Russia.

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- BEITEN BURKHARDT is an independent international commercial law firm with a focused range of services and some 280 lawyers working in eight locations.
- Through our long-established offices in Germany, Brussels, China and Russia we advise large and mid-sized companies and corporate groups from various industries, banks and financial institutions as well as the public sector.