

Dr. Christoph Louven

Partner

Dusseldorf

Biography

In more than two decades, Christoph Louven has gained huge experience in complex domestic and cross-border corporate transactions, board room advice and corporate compliance issues (including corporate investigations).

Clients appreciate Christoph's "great depth of knowledge and ability to help them make good decisions, not just from the legal but also from a business point of view" (*Chambers Global 2015*).

Representative experience

Advising 3M on the acquisition of the membrana business from Polypore Inc.

Advising ARAG SE on a multi-jurisdictional cross-border merger project.

Advising Hannover Rückversicherung AG on the conversion into a SE.

Advising Ametek Inc. on its acquisition of Dunkermotoren-Group from Triton.

Advising VW (members of the supervisory board) on the merger with Porsche.

Advising Elster Group SE (independent Board Members) on its public takeover by Melrose Plc.



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Languages

English
German
Spanish

Practices

Corporate Governance
Mergers and Acquisitions
Securities and Public Company
Advisory

Industries

Automotive
Energy and Natural Resources

Advising CTA's of numerous large listed companies.

Awards and rankings

- Global Leader, Recommended, Insurance & Reinsurance, *Who's Who Legal*, 2021
- National Leader, Recommended, Germany - Insurance & Reinsurance, *Who's Who Legal*, 2021
- Corporate and M&A: M&A: Mid-sized deals (sub-€500m), *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2019
- Corporate and M&A: Corporate, *Legal 500 EMEA (Germany)*, 2018-2019
- Recommended lawyer for M&A, corporate and corporate advice to insurers, *JUVE handbook*, 2004 – 2018
- Recommended lawyer for Insurance Transactional, *Chambers Europe*, 2012 – 2018
- Recommended lawyer for Corporate/M&A, *Chambers Europe*, 2015 – 2017
- Recommended lawyer for Insurance, *Who's Who Legal*, 2016 – 2018
- Included for Corporate, M&A and Insurance, *Edition Best Lawyers™ Germany*, 2016 – 2018

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - ESG in M&A transactions in Germany – INSIGHTS in five minutes
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Public Takeovers in Germany *Newsletter*
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Allianz on the acquisition of a majority stake in ControlExpert
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Public Takeovers in Germany *Newsletter*
- Press Releases

Financial Institutions

Insurance

Areas of focus

Shareholder Activism
Carve-outs, Spin-offs, and Split-offs
Cross-border Mergers and Acquisitions
Hogan Lovells China Desk
Hostile Takeovers and Takeover Defense
Merger Control
Public Company Mergers and Acquisitions
Special Committee and Independent Director Representations

Education and admissions

Education

Second State Exam in Law, 1996

Dr. iur., University of Cologne, summa cum laude, 1995

First State Exam in Law, 1993

Accolades

Christoph Louven heads the M&A practice and is described as "very flexible, extremely pragmatic with extensive experience of insurance matters". In addition, he is

- Hogan Lovells advises TSR Recycling on the acquisition of the electronic scrap business of Sims Metal Management
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Our German Public Takeover Capabilities

commended for his "excellent advice and short response times".

Chambers Europe, 2015

A number of clients praise Christoph Louven for his communication skills, saying that he has "a good combination of communication and people skills."

Chambers Europe, 2017

"He is recognised for his wide-ranging experience of public and private M&A transactions and has worked on key deals in the chemicals and insurance sectors."

Chambers Global, 2015
