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Recognitions

- Chambers & Partners Global/Europe: Capital Markets
- Chambers & Partners Europe: Banking and Finance Regulatory from 2019 to 2021
- Chambers & Partners FinTech Legal: Blockchain & Cryptocurrencies – Switzerland
- Who's Who Legal: Banking, Capital Markets, Insurance & Reinsurance
- LMG Expert Guides: Rising Star (Banking and Finance, Insurance and Reinsurance) from 2017 to 2020
- IFLR 1000: Highly Regarded (Banking and Finance, Capital Markets)
- Legal 500: Capital Markets (Next Generation Partner), Banking and Finance (Next Generation Partner), Fintech, Insurance (Next Generation Partner), Leading Firms German-Speaking from 2017 to 2021

Languages

German, English, French, Italian

Selected Publications

- Equity Derivates, Switzerland, 2023 Edition
- Banking Regulation 2024
- The Virtual Currency Regulation Review, Switzerland chapter 6th edition
- Blockchain 2022, Trends and Developments
- Equity Derivatives –Switzerland

Olivier Favre is a Partner in our Banking and Finance Group in Zurich. He focuses on capital markets, derivatives and structured finance transactions and advises clients on financial services, securities, commodities, fund and insurance regulation. Olivier also advises clients on fintech solutions and legal aspects of asset management activities.

Expertise

- Banking & Finance
- Capital Markets
- Insurance
- Blockchain-Technologies & FinTech
- Financial Services
- ESG

Experience

- Acted as legal counsel to a working group of industry association in charge of preparing a Swiss law governed master agreement for derivatives transactions and related documentation (e.g. agreement to exchange variation margin, PRDR agreement, resolution stay acknowledgment, revised documentation for interest rate products)
- Advised clients on programs for the issuance of structured products in the Swiss market and their approval by a Swiss prospectus office
- Advised on initial margin documentation for OTC derivatives
- Advised on regulatory requirements for providing brokerage and custody services regarding crypto-assets
- Advised foreign insurance companies on Swiss licensing requirements for cross-border activity into Switzerland
- Prepared for the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. (ISDA) the netting and collateral enforceability opinion for international financial organizations established in Switzerland
- Advised on the implementation of the Financial Services Act (FinSA) and the Financial Institutions Act (FinIA)

Career

2016	Partner at Schellenberg Wittmer
2009	Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer
2007-2009	Legal Counsel at Goldman Sachs International in London
2004-2007	Associate at Allen & Overy LLP in London

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Education

2005	Bar Admission in New York
2005	Admission as Solicitor in England
2004	LL.M., Harvard University
2003	Dr. iur., University of Zurich
2000	Bar Admission in Switzerland

Additional Professional Activities

- Authorized representative at the SIX Swiss Exchange