

Practice Group

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Our Corporate & Commercial group assists clients on all steps of corporate life, including incorporations, reorganizations, advice in relation to general corporate law and commercial agreements as well as spin-offs/ carve-outs and liquidations of entities or business operations. Our team has the experience, expertise, resources and commercial understanding to structure, negotiate and lead all type of commercial transactions. Close collaboration with other practice groups enables us to provide clients with cutting-edge yet comprehensive advice on all types of corporate and commercial structures.

Expertise

We have substantial experience in representing clients in every stage of their business cycle, including when in distress. Several of our team members have an entrepreneurial background, thus our legal advice is always integrating business considerations:

- We advise public and private companies, branch and representative offices, individual

- entrepreneurs and investors from around the world on all aspects of doing business in Switzerland
- We provide expert advice to shareholders and boards of directors of privately held and publicly listed companies on all aspects of corporate law, including, corporate governance, fiduciary duties, corporate responsibility (including CSR, ESG aspects, etc.), shareholder activist situations, executive compensation as well as compliance and risk management
- We handle all aspects of drafting, negotiation, implementation and enforcement of shareholders' agreements and commercial contracts of every kind in all industry sectors, including supply, sales, distribution, agency and service agreements, as well as intellectual property and technology transactions and joint ventures and strategic alliances, both domestic and cross-border
- We advise publicly listed companies with respect to compliance with stock exchange regulations, including disclosure rules
- We have extensive experience in corporate restructurings and reorganisations (mergers, spin-offs and split-offs and other strategic alternatives and corporate reorganizations) and, where

appropriate in close collaboration with our Restructuring and Insolvency practice, a strong level of capability and responsiveness across corporate crisis management matters in distressed situations

Our team warrants a multi-disciplinary approach on all matters and works closely with all other practice groups such as Mergers and Acquisitions, Restructuring and Insolvency (in particular specific duties and proceedings for distressed companies and distressed M&A), Banking & Finance (in particular in the context of financings and cash pool arrangements), (Re) Insurance (D&O liability insurance), Employment (e.g. transfers of employees, mass dismissals, social plans and partial liquidation of pension plans) and Tax.

Recognitions

Our Corporate and Commercial team and its leading practitioners are highly ranked among leading law firms globally across international directories and publications:

- Chambers Global and Europe in Corporate M&A
- Legal 500 in Corporate & Commercial/M&A
- IFLR and IFLR 1000 in Corporate & Commercial M&A
- Lexology Index Switzerland

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**The team at
Schellenberg
Wittmer has great
business acumen
and understanding.
It is very hands-on
and solution
oriented.**
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