

HR News

Luther appoints Dr David von Saucken as new head of its London office

Cologne/London, 17.12.2024 – David von Saucken will join Luther Rechtsanwalts-gesellschaft as a partner on January 1, 2025 and will take over as head of the London office.

Dr David von Saucken has over 20 years of experience as a lawyer and is also admitted as an English Solicitor (England & Wales). He began his career at a major multidisciplinary law firms in Berlin and the City of London. He has also worked for other large law firms in London.

Dr von Saucken specializes in matters of debt and equity financing as well as distressed situations involving companies, shareholders, or lenders. He has an industry focus on German property acquisitions and finance.

In his new position at Luther, Dr von Saucken will contribute his international expertise and further help to position the firm in London as a key provider of cross-border solutions – including towards clients and firms in the US. He will also work closely with the unyer network, as well as the Luxembourg and Asian offices of Luther, to identify relevant developments in important markets worldwide at an early stage.

"I am looking forward to sharing my experiences and contacts at Luther and further strengthening the firm's distinct international orientation," says Dr von Saucken. "London is a central hub for cross-border transactions, and our office there is an important building block to jointly develop and implement innovative and tailored solutions for our clients."

"We are excited to work with Dr von Saucken," says Dr Stefan Galla, Head of the Corporate/M&A service line at Luther, which Dr von Saucken will be a part of: "He brings an active network of contacts in London and in the financial services sector. We are confident that he will strengthen our position in the London, deepen existing client relationships, and develop new business relationships – an important step towards consolidating our international network."

Luther's London office currently has five employees, including three lawyers. Ulf Bertheau, the former head of Luther London office, will leave the firm at the end of the year to join the English insurance broker David Roberts & Partner as Head of European Development and there drive further expansion through the acquisition of brokerage firms.

Dr Markus Sengpiel, Managing Partner of Luther, said: "On behalf of our firm, I would like to thank Ulf Bertheau for his outstanding work and commitment as head of our London office."

Over the past two years, he has not only made a significant contribution to our firm's success but also built a solid network that reflects his dedication and professionalism."

With Dr von Saucken, Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft will expand its advisory services in the areas of private equity, M&A, financial services (including tax compliance), and property.

Dr David von Saucken's Curriculum Vitae:

Dr David von Saucken began his legal career at Haarmann Hemmelrath's Berlin office, a large multidisciplinary law firm. In 2000, he moved to the firm's London office, where he worked as a partner from June 2002 to December 2005.

From 2006, Dr David von Saucken worked as an equity partner for Ashurst, where he worked with his team at the Frankfurt and London offices within the "Restructuring and Special Situations Group."

From 2011, he worked as an equity partner for Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP at the London office within the Finance/Restructuring Group. At the end of 2017, he returned to Germany and, together with partners – including tax consultants – founded a multidisciplinary practice in Berlin.

Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH

Luther is a leading German commercial law firm that offers comprehensive legal and tax advice. The full-service law firm employs over 420 lawyers and tax advisors and is represented in ten German economic hubs as well as with 11 of its own international offices in key investment locations and financial centres in Europe and Asia. Its clients include medium-sized enterprises and large corporations, as well as the public sector.

Luther works closely with other commercial law firms in all the prevailing jurisdictions. Luther is a member of unyer (www.unyer.com), a global organisation of leading professional services firms that cooperate exclusively with each other.

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