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Biography

Michael Dettmeier focuses on the tax aspects of complex real estate and infrastructure transactions, real estate and infrastructure funds and M&A transactions with a strong real estate element, e.g. health care and retail.

Recognised as a leading German tax practitioner in the real estate industry, Michael heads a team of lawyers who accept the challenge of creating cost efficient and manageable structures for our global real estate clients in a regulatory and tax environment that is constantly changing and increasingly complex.

His strong German GAAP and IFRS accounting background and his creative mindset help Michael to achieve what our clients desire from us: helping them to "make the deal" by finding pragmatic solutions in negotiations; ensuring the targeted return on investment by getting around legal and tax issues that impede their targets. Michael works closely with our global tax, real estate and investment funds teams, especially with our funds and tax teams in London, Luxembourg and the U.S. Whether it is the impact that the BEPS Project might have for investment funds and how they structure their investments or anticipate jurisprudence by the ECJ, Michael always seeks to see what's ahead.

Michael brings insight to our clients as a member of a working group on the German investment fund tax reform and as vice-chair of a think tank devoted to German and international accounting matters.



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Languages

English
French
German

Practices

Investment Funds
Tax

Industries

Diversified Industrials
Energy and Natural Resources
Real Estate
Private Capital

Areas of focus

Representative experience

Advising Advent International and Marcol on the acquisition and sale of the largest privately owned operator of rehab clinics in Germany and its real estate portfolio.

Advising IVG Institutional Funds/TRIUVA on the structuring of a Luxembourg SIF for a German institutional investor.

Advising Foncière des Murs on the structuring of their investment into a large hotel portfolio from Motel One and the management agreement with Louvre Hotels.

Advising a joint venture managed by Pramerica Real Estate Investors on the acquisition of two large German retail portfolios by way of combined share deals.

Advising IFM on their joint venture with Elia for the acquisition of the high-voltage transmission grid from Vattenfall.

Advising Kirkbi (LEGO) on their investment into a large German offshore wind farm (joint venture with DONG Energy).

Advising IVG Institutional Funds/TRIUVA on the acquisition of the so-called Prime Portfolio by the SIF.

Awards and rankings

- "Energetic, courageous, reliable" (Competitor), *JUVE handbook*, 2014/2015
- "Outstanding breadth and depth of tax and real estate expertise" (Client), *JUVE handbook*, 2013/2014
- Tax, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2018-2019

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises Sasol Group on the sale of 50 percent stake in Sasol-Huntsman joint venture
- Published Works
 - Taxing times *EG Global Investor Guide Autumn 2018*

Investment Funds and Tax

Real Estate Funds

Real Estate Tax and REITs

Education and admissions

Education

Dr. iur., University of Cologne

Maîtrise en Droit, University of Paris I

First State Exam in Law, University of Cologne

- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advised Smurfit Kappa on the sale of their packaging facilities in Baden
- Press Releases
 - Hogan Lovells advises DEMIRE on the acquisition of a strategic interest in the company by funds advised by Apollo
- Press Releases
 - Trends in Cross-Border Real Estate Investment and the Changing Tax Landscape
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Tax and Legal - The view from Europe as featured in EuroProperty *Real Estate Newsletter*