



## **Dirk Hermann Bliesener**

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Dirk has a broad practice covering the needs of the financial industry, focusing largely on banking and regulatory aspects of domestic and multi-jurisdictional M&A, restructurings and other transactions, as well as on a wide range of finance and debt capital markets matters.

Dirk advises banks and other financial institutions, insurers and asset managers on matters of strategic importance, especially in relation to acquisitions and disposals of banks and portfolios, complex restructuring and resolution measures of financial institutions, as well as regulatory implementation and enforcement, and other areas of regulatory scrutiny. In particular, he has acted on many transactions involving troubled or failing institutions, including major transactions of the financial crisis including the set-up of bad banks for WestLB and Hypo Real Estate Group, and advised on all the bail-out, restructuring and transformation measures in relation to WestLB (now Portigon) and the reprivatization of Deutsche Pfandbriefbank. Dirk also advises domestic and foreign governments and public institutions.

In debt capital markets, Dirk acts for issuers, banks, dealers and investors on a broad range of transactions including bonds, debt issuance programmes, registered notes (*Namenschuldverschreibungen*), Schuldschein loans, commercial paper, Pfandbriefe, and other covered bonds and structured finance matters, as well as securitisations, portfolio financings and repackagings.

### **Career**

Admitted to bar 1998

Attorney-at-Law (New York)

Maître en Droit (Paris)

Universities of Tübingen, Bonn and Hamburg (Dr. jur.)

Université de Paris Panthéon-Sorbonne (Maîtrise en Droit)

Yale Law School (LL.M.)

Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (C.E.P.)

Law firm in New York, 1993-1994

Co-Managing Partner 2014-2018

### **Recent Work**

Hengeler Mueller advises FMS-WM on the sale of Ireland's DEPFA BANK plc

Hengeler Mueller successfully represents Portigon in proceedings against Single Resolution Board before the General Court of the European Union

Hengeler Mueller advises Centerbridge on investment in auxmoney

### **Publications**

Co-editor and co-author:

Langenbucher/Bliesener/Spindler, Bankrechts-Kommentar, 2nd ed. 2016, with commentary on German Debt Securities Act

(*Schuldverschreibungsgesetz*) (together with Hannes Schneider)

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Kreditsicherung und  
Kapitalmarktrecht, in:  
Lwowski/Fischer/Langenbacher,  
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Quelques Exemples de Réponses à  
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des Entreprises dans Plusieurs Pays  
Européens, Cahiers de Droit de  
l'Entreprise 2009

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Germany, in: Oxford Capital  
Markets Law Journal vol. 4 2009

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in der Praxis, Beiträge für Hopt  
2008

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Verhaltenspflichten beim  
Effektenhandel, 1998