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**Sven is one of the co-organizers of Hengeler Mueller's internal investigations, crisis management and compliance practice group. He advises companies and their corporate bodies worldwide**

comprehensively on both internal investigations and investigations conducted by German and foreign, primarily Anglo-American, criminal prosecution and regulatory authorities into potential compliance violations and on group-wide compliance governance programs.

He has extensive experience and expertise in dealing with German, European and US authorities and agencies, specifically in compliance situations.

He also advises companies and their executive and supervisory board members on corporate and regulatory law issues, in particular on questions of corporate organization and governance, as well as in instances of crisis.

In addition, Sven is responsible for Hengeler Mueller's eDiscovery platform, as well as our Legal Tech Center and inhouse translation team.

Sven is a thought leader in the use of Generative AI in internal investigations, has published scientific work on the subject, and has driven the development of Hengeler Mueller's own innovative Generative AI-based eDiscovery solution.

Sven is the author of over one hundred publications on corporate and capital markets law, as well as on compliance and internal investigations. He is an executive editor of the *Neue Zeitschrift für Gesellschaftsrecht*, a German specialist periodical on corporate law.

Selection of Sven's most recent rankings:

## Career

Admitted to the German bar in 2003

Working as a lawyer at Hengeler Mueller since 2005

Partner at Hengeler Mueller since 2011

Attorney-at-law (New York)

Albert Ludwigs University of Freiburg, Ruprecht Karls University of Heidelberg and Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz (Dr. iur.)

Clerked at the Higher Regional Court of Hamburg

Boalt Hall School of Law, University of California at Berkeley (LL.M.)

Lecturer at the University of Marburg as part of a course led by Prof. Markus Roth since the 2023/24 winter semester

## Publications

A complete list of Sven's publications can be downloaded [here](#).

## Recent Work

Internal investigations and other compliance advising matters:

**Adidas:** representation in investigation proceedings conducted by the European Public Prosecutor's Office and in internal investigations

Chambers Germany 2025 – Compliance  
Who's Who Legal 2024

*Thought Leaders - Germany - Investigations, WWL*

*Ranking: Thought Leader*

*Thought Leaders – GIR- Investigations, WWL Ranking:*

*Thought Leader*

*Germany – Investigations, WWL Ranking: Thought Leader*

Best Lawyers 2024 – Compliance, Corporate Governance

IFLR1000 2023 – Bankrecht und Finanzielle

Restrukturierung, *Hoch angesehen*

Business Today 2023, *Top 10 Influential German Compliance Lawyers*

Wirtschaftswoche 2025 – Top Anwalt Compliance

Leaders League 2024 – Internal Investigations & Compliance, Excellent

*"Hengeler Mueller's compliance practice is an experienced, proven, diligent, and impactful team with which you can successfully master complex situations." **Nora Klug, Global General Counsel, Robert Bosch GmbH***

*"Hengeler Mueller's compliance team proved on a number of occasions that it can provide top-class advice to its clients on all aspects of an internal investigation, including even questions of D&O liability and corporate organisation." **Jens Rönneberg, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, GRENKE***

*"Its professional excellence, foresight and stamina makes Hengeler Mueller's team an invaluable asset in challenging situations – the team of choice for complex matters." **Florian Stork, Group General Counsel/Chief Compliance Officer, TÜV SÜD AG***

*"Hengeler Mueller's compliance team not only demonstrates discipline and sound judgment in cross-border investigations, thus meeting the expectations of clients of a leading European law firm with a global network, but also has excellent contacts at the highest levels when it comes to dealing with investigating authorities." **Christian Ollig, Leiter DACH, KKR***

*"The compliance team of Hengeler Mueller, one of Germany's well-established law firms, values long-term collaboration and lasting relationships with its clients – an advantage clearly demonstrated in our cost-benefit analyses." **Jörg Kondring, General Counsel, Voith Group***

**Aurubis:** internal investigation for the Supervisory Board regarding certain damage events related to gold and other precious metals deficits as well as advice regarding management board matters including assessment of management liability

**BMW:** preventive advising on technical product compliance / advising on the options to further develop the organization and processes for ensuring compliance with technical-regulatory requirements (homologation, non-homologation) – against the background of the technological transformation of the automotive industry and other external factors

**Bosch:** co-lead partner of the Hengeler Mueller team advising on the internal investigation into, and proceedings before public authorities and courts in Germany and abroad relating to, the alleged manipulation of control units for diesel vehicles

**Deutsche Bank:** lead partner on the Hengeler Mueller team advising on the global internal and external investigations into alleged manipulations of reference interest rates (especially Libor and Euribor)

**Deutsche Bank:** lead partner on the Hengeler Mueller team advising on the internal and external investigations into potential violations of U.S. export control law (OFAC)

**Grenke:** advice and representation in internal and external investigations in connection with negative public representations by a short-seller

**HelloFresh:** Advice on the further development of the global governance, structural and procedural organisation of compliance management system

**Leading industrial company:** Lead counsel in investigation proceedings into suspected violations of export control law regarding Russia by supplying goods used for military purposes

**DAX-listed company:** lead partner of the Hengeler Mueller team conducting the senior management review of the potential involvement of top management in international bribes and books-and-records violations and of the failure of top management to implement

adequate compliance structures

**Globally operating automotive manufacturer:** Advice provided to the supervisory board on internal and external investigations in relation to exhaust gas emissions of diesel vehicles

**Leading German manufacturer:** Large scale global investigation of violations of extended US sanctions against certain foreign companies and disclosure to US-American and German authorities

**Large German industrial group:** Internal investigation and voluntary disclosure to the US Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) on suspicion of improper use of products in Russia

**International technology company:** Advice on setting up a technical CMS

**International real estate developer:** Compliance advice in the context of transfer of a BaFin-regulated real-estate portfolio

**Leading manufacturing company:** Advice in connection with a cross-border BaFin investigation regarding potential market abuse

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