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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:

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

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 Khug, 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 Rönningberg,
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***

Global industrial player: internal
investigation and defense regarding
the alleged supply of products to the
Russian defense industry prior to
the invasion of Ukraine

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

Cross-border internal investigation
and advising in connection with a
BaFin special audit

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

Credit institution operating
worldwide: internal investigation
regarding cum/ex investigations
conducted by public prosecutors'
offices and BaFin against the
banking group's German subsidiary
credit institution and its employees

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

Leading international digital
company: lead partner of the
Hengeler Mueller team advising on
and conducting an internal
investigation regarding suspected
malpractice in the cross-border
infrastructure sector (possible
manipulative business models)

Leading international listed
consumer goods company: lead
partner of the Hengeler Mueller
team conducting an internal
investigation regarding the leakage
of trade and business secrets

International listed manufacturer based in Germany: lead partner of the Hengeler Mueller team advising on global World Bank investigations into possible corruption

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)

Credit institution operating worldwide: advising on how to deal with investigations into potential violations of German securities trading law conducted against the German subsidiary credit institution of the banking group and a management board member

Asset manager operating worldwide: advising on how to deal with investigations conducted by BaFin into potential violations of German securities trading law

German branch of a major foreign insurance undertaking: advising on allegations of corruption brought against a member of the executive board.

For a description of our Internal Investigations, Crisis Management and Compliance practice group please [here](#).

For a description of our services in the area of eDiscovery please [click here](#).