



## Restructuring | Reorganisation | Insolvency

### Our team for companies in crisis

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Our restructuring team is here to support you with tailor-made solutions in times of crisis and insolvency. In domestic as well as cross-border reorganisation scenarios, we have the legal tools needed to assist the operative and financial restructuring and thus to help companies return to a sustainable and healthy position. We speak the language of insolvency administrators as well as that of international investors and corporations. We find pragmatic, business-oriented solutions with and for our clients, whether they be managing directors, shareholders, creditors or investors, while simultaneously keeping an eye on the personal liability risks of those involved in the respective procedures.

A focus of our advice lies on the maintenance and reorganisation of cross-border supply chains. In this respect, in addition to our particular expertise in the automotive industry, we are also able to use an experienced team especially in Central and Eastern Europe and are thus in a position to quickly and professionally solve complex situations also in locations where others might struggle.

We are also by your side in the run-up to and during court disputes such as regarding contesting payments in insolvency or D&O liability claims.

Examples of our recent successful activities include:

- 1** IATA: Advice in the context of various insolvencies of airlines (Condor, Air Berlin, Germania) and travel agencies
  - 2** Supporting English administrators (automotive suppliers) during the concept stage and implementation of debtor-in-possession proceedings of a German subsidiary including the international coordination of the proceedings
  - 3** Negotiation of continuation agreements with the insolvency administrator of a German supplier for an international automotive corporation (OEM)
  - 4** Assistance during debtor-in-possession management with cross-border matters, including the protection of supply chains in China and Eastern Europe
  - 5** Advising a German automotive supplier on its cross-border supply chain
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## Our experts:



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### **Dr. Christian Hilpert, MBA** **Partner**

Christian Hilpert heads our restructuring and insolvency practice in Germany. He works in our offices in Berlin and Munich and focuses on cross-border matters. In addition to providing ongoing advice in times of crisis, he specialises in the drafting of insolvency plans and distressed M&A scenarios. Christian regularly represents investment funds as well as national and international aviation and automotive companies but also renowned insolvency administrators in crisis scenarios.



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### **Arndt Kaubisch, LL.M. (East Anglia)** **Counsel**

Arndt Kaubisch specialises in insolvency litigation and represents German and international creditors, companies in crisis and insolvency administrators in court as well as out of court in matters of contesting payments in insolvency and D&O liability. He is a member of our China desk and is also particularly experienced in cases with a close connection to Central and Eastern Europe.



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### **Dr. Anne D. Riewe** **Counsel**

Anne D. Riewe regularly represents renowned insolvency administrators, companies as well as their managing directors, shareholders and contractual partners in restructuring and insolvency situations in and out of court. She is very experienced in the enforcement of claims and security rights, the implementation of going concern solutions and on dispute resolution with a special emphasis on contesting payments in insolvency and liability claims.



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### **Franz Kleinschmidt** **Senior Associate**

Franz Kleinschmidt acts for creditors, companies, insolvency administrators and investors on insolvency-related questions. He focuses on drafting of contracts, also in cross-border matters. He also gained experience in assisting clients in distressed M&A matters.

## Market feedback

*Eversheds Sutherland named as top legal practice for restructurings and insolvency law - Dr. Christian Hilpert particularly recommended for restructurings and Dr. Anne Deike Riewe for insolvency law*

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*"The German Eversheds practice is consistently on its way to becoming an internationally active unit."*

**JUVE Handbuch 2019/20**

## About Eversheds Sutherland

As a global top 40 law practice, Eversheds Sutherland provides legal services to a global client base ranging from small and mid-sized businesses to the largest multinationals, acting for 66 of the FTSE 100, 73 of the Fortune 100 and 119 of the Fortune 200

With more than 3,000 lawyers, Eversheds Sutherland operates in 69 offices in 32 jurisdictions across Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. In addition, a network of more than 200 related law firms, including formalized alliances in Latin America, Asia Pacific and Africa, provide support around the globe.

In Germany, more than 160 lawyers, tax advisors and notaries in Berlin, Dusseldorf, Hamburg and Munich provide advice to multinational groups, listed and medium-sized companies, investors, financial service providers as well as family businesses in all relevant areas of commercial law.