

Press Release

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Luther strengthens its IP/IT team at the Berlin office with Dr Jörg Alshut

Berlin – Dr Jörg Alshut (44) will move to the Berlin office of the law firm Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH to become partner there on 17 September 2012. Also starting on that date will be Kathrin Helbig (33), who will be an associate on the firm's IP/IT team. Both worked previously at GSK Stockmann + Kollegen in Berlin.

“I am most of all looking forward to the extensive network Luther offers as well as the full-service approach practised by the law firm”, says Dr. Jörg Alshut about the change: “Of course clients who receive significant added value from interdisciplinary full-service advisory services garner the benefit.” The lawyer contributes comprehensive experience both in copyright, trademark and competition law as well as in IT law. His practice focuses on industrial property rights, outsourcing, ERP and IT projects, developing and implementing proprietary rights strategies as well as licensing, distribution and XaaS models. He is furthermore seen as an expert in the fields of data protection, IT compliance and lottery regulation.

It is precisely this wide range of experience that is decisive according to Dr Wulff-Axel Schmidt, head of the IP/IT department at Luther: “At Luther, advising in matters of IT law and intellectual property rights is tightly intertwined. This is what

our clients demand and what has proven itself in practice. This is why an “all-rounder” like Dr Jörg Alshut is precisely the right fit for our team.”

Prof Dr Robert von Steinau-Steinrück, head of Luther's Berlin office, adds: “Mr Alshut's expertise is important for the clients we advise in Berlin and the region. In addition, there is a lively local start-up scene. Specifically, Berlin's bio-tech sector is growing significantly. Moreover, the Internet continues to become more important for the music and film industry. Naturally advice in IP/IT law has potential especially in these fields.” In addition, Dr Jörg Alshut will continue to advice in the lottery sector, where he has already provided extensive consultancy as a distinguished expert.

About Dr Jörg Alshut

Dr Jörg Alshut studied at Ruhr University Bochum (Dr iur.) and at Université d'Orléans (Licence en Droit) After admission as a lawyer (1999) he worked for PricewaterhouseCoopers Veltins and at GSK Stockmann + Kollegen starting in 2006.

Dr Alshut has practised successfully for many years before the courts, in particular in the field of obtaining temporary injunctive relief. In addition, he regularly presents on IP and IT law topics and organises workshops and seminars, for example at the Martin-Luther University Halle-Wittenberg.

About Kathrin Helbig

Kathrin Helbig studied in Potsdam, Paris, Berlin and Wellington/New Zealand. During her studies, she also attained the Licence en Droit and the Master of Laws (LL.M.). Kathrin Helbig was admitted as a lawyer in 2009 and joined GSK Stockmann + Kollegen. As a lawyer she provides advice in the field of industrial property, in particular for trademark, copyright and competition law as well as IT law (contract structuring and software licensing, e-commerce, etc.).

Brief Profile Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH

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Luther works closely with other commercial law firms in all the prevailing jurisdictions worldwide. On the Continent, Luther is part of a group of independent leading law firms who have worked together for many years on joint cross-border projects. Luther is also the German member of Taxand, a global organisation of tax advisory firms.

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