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Languages

German, English, French, Italian

■ Areas of Practice

Dr. Balsiger specializes in the fields of banking, regulatory and capital market transactions.

Dr. Balsiger has devoted a substantial amount of time to advising banks, issuers and institutional investors in debt and equity capital market transactions, structuring of investment schemes and derivative transactions, i.e. straight bond issues, equity-linked bond issues, structured finance transactions, EMTN programs, warrant programs and structured products programs, structured finance transactions and loan facilities for general corporate purposes, public bids, private acquisitions, asset and leveraged finance.

He regularly advises clients on all aspects of securities law and represents clients in listing, regulatory and enforcement proceedings before the SIX Swiss Exchange (SIX). He is a recognised representative for listings on SIX.

He, furthermore, regularly advises clients on all aspects of takeover and securities and banking law and represents clients in proceedings before the Swiss Takeover Board.

Dr. Balsiger serves on the board of various Swiss companies.

■ Professional Career

2004 – Partner, Niederer Kraft & Frey

1997 – 2003 Associate, Niederer Kraft & Frey

1992 – 1994 legal counsel in the capital market department of a major Swiss bank

■ Education

1997 – Admitted to the Bar (*Rechtsanwalt*)

1995 – University of Zurich, PhD (*magna cum laude*)

■ Market Perception

“Clients say that Christoph Balsiger is ‘focused on the important points and very reasonable.’” (Chambers Global 2017)

“Securities law specialist Christoph Balsiger regularly advises clients on a wide variety of capital markets issues, including structured finance and bond issues.” (Who’s Who Legal 2017)

“Christoph Balsiger is commended for his expertise in bonds.” (Chambers Global 2016)

“Christoph Balsiger has “a long track record of excellence”, advising on all aspects of securities law, representing clients in stock exchange listings, regulatory and supervisory procedures and in proceedings before the takeover commission.” (Who’s Who Legal 2016)

“He is noted for his work on securities, structured debt and derivatives and is described as a ‘very reliable and constructive lawyer.’” (Chambers Global 2015)

“Christoph Balsiger is ‘superbly knowledgeable’ and ‘technically proficient’ when representing clients in listing, regulatory and enforcement proceedings before the SIX Swiss Exchange.” (Who’s Who Legal 2015)

“... Christoph Balsiger is ‘efficient’.” (Legal 500 2015)

“Christoph Balsiger is well known for his debt capital markets expertise, particularly in the field of bonds and structured products. He is admired for his ‘pragmatic and efficient’ approach.” (Chambers Europe 2014)