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Martin Seyfarth chairs the German Public Policy Practice and co-chairs the German Energy Industry Group. He advises national and international companies on transactions, privatizations and large strategic industry and branch projects. With his extensive experience and knowledge, Mr. Seyfarth has successfully represented clients in a variety of complex deals in the corporate sector. Mr. Seyfarth has been the managing partner of the Berlin office since 2009.

Prior to joining the firm, Mr. Seyfarth served as Chief of Staff at the German Federal Ministry of Transport (1993 – 1998), where he was involved in the privatization of Deutsche Lufthansa AG and Deutsche Bahn AG.

Martin Seyfarth's corporate practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, privatizations and restructurings. He has handled numerous mergers and acquisitions for clients in regulated industries, particularly in the power and gas sector.

Martin Seyfarth's regulatory and public policy practice focuses on energy, environment and healthcare, where he represents his clients in administrative procedures and commercial negotiations. He also frequently represents clients in strategic matters or legislative procedures before governments and parliaments in Germany and at EU level.

Professional Activities

Martin Seyfarth is a member of the German Christian-Democratic Lawyer's Association and a Young Leader Alumni (Wisconsin 1995) of the Atlantik-Brücke, the German partner organization of the American Council on Germany.

Solutions

Germany

Crisis Management and
Strategic Response

Public Policy and Legislative
Affairs

Cross-Border Transactions

Energy, Environment and
Natural Resources

Experience

Representation of EnBW in several power and gas transactions in Germany.

Legal and strategic advice to a global oil and gas company

Legal and strategic advice to a holding company (Trade and Tourism Group) in its restructuring

Development of a nationwide return and deposit system for non-disposable beverage cans

Multi-national negotiations resulting in the (10 bn Euro) foundation 'Remembrance, Responsibility and the Future' for the compensation of former forced labor in Germany

Recognition

- Martin Seyfarth is recommended by Germany's *JUVE Handbuch* for corporate and regulatory law since the 2009/2010 edition. Peers regard Mr. Seyfarth as "incredibly well-connected".
- Distinguished by *JUVE Handbuch* as a highly recommended lawyer for regulatory law. Peers commend his "incredible network (2019/2020)."
- Listed by *JUVE Handbuch* in the 2009/2010– 2014/2015 editions as a highly recommended lawyer for M&A.
- Named by *JUVE Handbuch* as a highly recommended lawyer for energy law– regulatory consecutively from 2009/2010– 2013/2014 and again in 2017/2018.
- Listed by *JUVE Handbuch* consecutively from 2012/2013–2019/2020 as highly recommended for public policy, notably "for his discreet and low-key advice on policy (2013/2014)."
- Recommended by *Legal 500 Germany* in 2021 and 2022 for commercial law.
- Recognized by *Legal 500 Germany* from 2014–2018 for regulated industries: energy law.

- Recommended by *Legal 500 Germany* for corporate law/M&A in 2016. Mr. Seyfarth is recognized by clients for his “connections to the German government.”
- Listed in 2011–2012 by *Legal 500 EMEA* for corporate and M&A. Clients praise his “reliable industry knowledge.”
- Ranked in *Handelsblatt Best Lawyers® in Germany* List for corporate law since 2020.

Credentials

EDUCATION

Second State Exam, Düsseldorf,
1993

First State Exam, University of
Bonn, 1989

ADMISSIONS

Berlin

GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE

*German Parliament: Chief of
Staff*

*German Parliament: German
Federal Ministry of Transport*

LANGUAGES

German

English