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BEITEN BURKHARDT STRENGTHENS EXPERIENCE IN THE REAL ESTATE SECTOR AND CONTINUES TO EXPAND AT PARTNER LEVEL

Frankfurt am Main, 20 December 2017 – The international law firm BEITEN BURKHARDT intensifies its focus on the real estate sector at its Frankfurt office: For 2018 Jens Ullrich Müller and Matthias Ohmer changed to BEITEN BURKHARDT from HauckSchuchardt, and Dr Claudia-Maria Wirth joined from Gleiss Lutz. Mr Müller and Mr Ohmer are both entering as equity partners, each bringing with them their teams which includes two salary partners. Dr Wirth will also strengthen the Frankfurt office as salary partner.

Mr Müller and Mr Ohmer are going to set up a Tax and Financial Compliance department, in particular for institutional domestic and international real estate investors. "With this development we consequently follow our focused industry approach," comments Frank Obermann, BEITEN BURKHARDT's managing partner, and adds, "Our new colleagues fit into our team excellently, as persons and as specialists. We are pleased to have found such a competent team which is established at the market." Dr Detlef Koch, head of the Frankfurt office, comments as follows:" This highly specialized team targeting on real estate issues will clearly step up cross selling between real estate and taxes even further – not only at the Frankfurt office."

Jens Ullrich Müller, 51 years old, will join BEITEN BURKHARDT at the beginning of 2018. He qualified as tax advisor in 2000 and assists with national and international projects in institutional real estate investment, with a focus on tax advice, financial accounting and the preparation of financial statements.

The 46-year-old **Matthias Ohmer** will jump on board of BEITEN BURKHARDT in the course of 2018. He qualified as tax advisor in 2003 and assists national and international clients while he focuses on German clients operating in institutional real estate investment.

Both are bringing their teams with them, consisting of tax advisors, accountants and assistant tax consultants, as well as their existing client portfolios. Sylvia Jenoh and Kai



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Rösen (both tax advisors) will start as salary partners at BEITEN BURKHARDT.

In addition to the two equity partners, **Dr Claudia-Maria Wirth** could be won as salary partner. The 38-year-old comes from Gleiss Lutz where she has worked since 2010 and will start her work at the Frankfurt office in January 2018. Her focus is on classic real estate law: advice and preparation of real estate sale and purchase agreements. She assists her clients mainly with sales and purchases of commercial real estate. In addition to providing real estate advice Ms Wirth will act as notary soon, supporting Klaus Beine, head of the practice group, also in this area.

In 2017 equity partner Volker Szpak, the two salary partners Dr Daniel Fischer and Dr Jochen Reuter, as well as associate Petra Bolle could already be won for the expansion of the real estate sector. BEITEN BURKHARDT thereby responds to a growing demand for accomplished specialists of real estate law and the real estate industry. "This year's additions prove the consequent continued development of our sector expertise, accompanied by a high degree of specialization, and reflect the significance of Frankfurt as a real estate location," explains Klaus Beine, head of the BEITEN BURKHARDT real estate practice group.

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