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OVERVIEW

Dr. Matthias Grund, LL.M., is a partner and the lead practice area leader of K&L Gates' global Finance practice and a highly regarded authority on corporate and acquisition finance, cross-border transactions, and restructuring. With more than two decades of experience across syndicated lending, project finance, real estate portfolio transactions, and private and distressed debt, Matthias advises sponsors, corporations, and financial institutions on their most complex financing matters in Germany and across international markets.

Matthias has also been a leader of the firm's global Finance practice since 2014. His reputation is built on guiding clients through multi-jurisdictional financing, public M&A and bid financing, refinancing and restructuring transactions, and capital markets matters, acting for both lenders and borrowers. In addition to his transactional work, Matthias is frequently sought out for regulatory advice on German and EU banking and finance laws, offering clients practical solutions to address compliance and risk in sophisticated transactions. His practice also extends to distressed debt acquisitions, unitranche financings, and insolvency-driven restructurings, where he has advised on numerous high-profile mandates.

A specialist lawyer for Commercial and Corporate Law (Fachanwalt für Handels- und Gesellschaftsrecht) and a founding member of the German Bar Association's working group on commercial and corporate law, Matthias combines deep technical knowledge with strategic insight. He is regularly invited to speak on topics such as sustainable finance and restructuring trends and has contributed thought leadership to leading industry publications, including Thomson Reuters Practical Law.

Clients rely on Matthias for his ability to navigate complex financial structures, manage cross-border risks, and deliver innovative financing solutions that align with their business goals. His global experience enables him to bridge legal, regulatory, and commercial considerations across jurisdictions.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Matthias joined the firm in August 2010. From 1999 to 2010, he worked with international and national law firms in Düsseldorf, Frankfurt, London and New York. From 1998 to 1999 he worked as a research assistant at the Institute for Commercial and Company Law at the University of Bonn. He was admitted to the Bar in 1999 and qualified as a Specialist Lawyer (Fachanwalt) for Commercial and Corporate Law in 2006.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 EMEA* as a Recommended Lawyer for Lending and Borrowing in Germany, 2026

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

Matthias is a founding member of the working group committee on commercial and corporate law of the German Bar Association (Deutscher Anwaltsverein).

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “Sustainable Finance,” German Lawyers' Conference, German Bar Association, 15 June 2023

ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND

- Specialist Lawyer for Commercial and Corporate Law (*Fachanwalt für Handels- und Gesellschaftsrecht*), 2006

EDUCATION

- Dr. jur., University of Bonn Faculty of Law, 2005 *(thesis on US-GAAP, IFRS and German Accounting Law)*
- Second Legal State Exam, Düsseldorf, 1998
- LL.M., University of London, 1994
- First Legal State Exam, Düsseldorf, 1992

LANGUAGES

- English
- German

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 26 January 2021, German Act on the Further Development of Restructuring and Insolvency Law (SanInsFoG)
- 14 April 2020, COVID-19: Suspension of Obligations Under Loan Agreements in Germany
- 14 April 2020, COVID-19: Update to the Amendments of the German Insolvency Act
- 9 April 2020, COVID-19: Pandemic Legislation in Germany
- 22 April 2015, K&L Gates Global Distressed Debt Webinar Series: The European Distressed Debt Market

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "Lending to a Company in Germany: Regulatory Issues," *Thomson Reuters Practical Law*, March 2024, together with Marlena Bitner
- Co-author, "Lending to a Company Incorporated in Germany: Signing and Closing a Corporate Loan Transaction," *Thomson Reuters Practical Law*, November 2023, together with Kerstin Hanke and Marlena Bitner
- Co-author, "Lending to a Company in Germany: Structuring the Transaction," *Thomson Reuters Practical Law*, October 2023, together with Marlena Bitner
- Co-author, "Lending to a Company in Germany: Legal and Documentation Issues," *Thomson Reuters Practical Law*, March 2022, together with Marlena Bitner

NEWS & EVENTS

- 12 October 2026, K&L Gates Welcomes London Real Estate Partner
- 15 July 2026, K&L Gates Advises ZEAL Network on Acquisition of SevenCanyon
- 29 June 2026, K&L Gates Adds Cross-Border Aviation Finance Partner in London
- 18 September 2025, Is There a Playbook for Restructuring Across Germany, Luxembourg, and the United Kingdom?
- 31 July 2025, K&L Gates Announces New Practice Leaders Across Global Platform
- 13 May 2025, Is There a Playbook for Restructuring Across Luxembourg, Germany and United Kingdom?
- 11 April 2025, K&L Gates Advises Avenue Capital on the Acquisition of Hubergroup
- 4 September 2024, K&L Gates Expands Finance Practice With Munich Partner Addition
- 2 May 2024, K&L Gates Strengthens Finance Group With Frankfurt Partner Addition
- 22 June 2023, Nearly 50 K&L Gates Lawyers Throughout Europe Recognized in 2024 Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch Editions
- 2 July 2021, K&L Gates Welcomes Restructuring and Insolvency Partner in Paris
- 6 January 2021, K&L Gates Advises Tempus Capital on PostCon Acquisition

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Interview, “Was steht uns an Restrukturierungen und Insolvenzen bevor, Herr Grund und Herr Bernsau?” *Platow Legal + Finance*, 15 December 2022

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Real Estate Finance
- Restructuring and Insolvency

INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services
- Private Credit

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Avenue Capital Group on the acquisition of hubergroup
- An operative company as borrower in connection with financings of a power plant in Germany
- A global property expert in logistics and business space on various financings and refinancings related to the acquisition and development of logistic centers in Germany
- Avenue Capital Group on the financing of the acquisition of the Schletter Group
- A financial investor on the financing and financial restructuring of a leading German fashion company
- Private equity investor Tempus Capital /Triton on the acquisition and financing of Meine Radiologie Group (large-volume unitranche financing)
- Nolte Group in connection with the conclusion of a large-volume syndicated loan for the refinancing of the Group
- Paragon Partners on the acquisition financing of the Condecta Group based in Switzerland
- A group of companies as borrowers in connection with the development and subsequent sale of a logistic center in Germany
- Tempus Capital on acquisition and financing of Postcon National GmbH and its subsidiary mailworXs GmbH from Quantum Capital Partners
- Robus Capital in the financing of the insolvency plan proceedings of Hallhuber GmbH
- Robus Capital on the acquisition, refinancing and financial restructuring of Hallhuber Group
- A consortium of lenders on the financial restructuring of Eismann Group
- TTP Group in connection with the refinancing of a large-volume unitranche financing