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OVERVIEW

Richard Resch is an associate at K&L Gates and a member of the Corporate practice group. Richard advises German and international clients of mainly traditional industries on (cross-border) mergers and acquisitions (M&A) transactions, in particular in the manufacturing and technology sector. He also regularly advises clients on joint ventures, from their formation and day-to-day governance issues to their winding up.

Richard also provides advice to various private equity funds, both with respect to their M&A activities and on their portfolio management.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Richard joined K&L Gates in February 2019. He studied at Ludwig-Maximilians-University of Munich. During his studies, he worked in Singapore for a German multinational industrial group and completed part of legal clerkship at a leading international law firm in London.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 EMEA* as a Recommended Lawyer for Corporate in Germany, 2024-2025

EDUCATION

- Second Legal State Exam, Higher Regional Court of Munich, 2018
- First Legal State Exam, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, 2016

LANGUAGES

- English
- German

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 28 April 2020, COVID-19: Measures Under the Economic Stabilization Fund Act and the Law on the BayernFonds to Mitigate the Economic Consequences of the COVID-19 Pandemic
- 10 December 2019, Blockchain in the Luxury, Fashion, and Fine Wine Industry

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Druckmittel wider die sowie Kompensation nach Missachtung internationaler Gerichtsstandsvereinbarungen vor deutschen Gerichten im Verhältnis zu Drittstaaten (Compensation Resulting from a Violation of Venue Clauses), *NZG* 2020, p. 241 et seq.

NEWS & EVENTS

- 16 December 2025, K&L Gates Advises Therme Horizon on Acquisition of Wund-Thermen
- 26 June 2025, K&L Gates Advises Therme Group on Billion Euro Joint Venture With CVC to Establish Therme Horizon
- 11 June 2025, K&L Gates Advises Italian Industrial Company Linz Electric in Acquisition of German Mechanical Engineering Company
- 16 December 2024, K&L Gates Advises Therme Group on the Acquisition of Therme Erding
- 10 October 2023, K&L Gates Advises Mahr Holding on Sale of Shares in Mahr EDV GmbH to Private Equity Investor
- 3 December 2020, K&L Gates Advises EXASOL AG and Hauck & Aufhäuser on €43 Million Capital Increase

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- "Billions for Wellness: White & Case and K&L Gates join forces with CVC and Therme Group," *JUVE.de,* 26 June 2025
- "Wellness deal goes through with K&L Gates and KMZ," *JUVE.de*, 20 December 2024
- "Skadden advises client Celonis for the first time in a financing round," *JUVE.de*, 23 September 2023
- "Francotyp-Postalia appoints new committees with a large team of advisors," *JUVE.de*, 19 November 2020

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity Transactions

INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services
- Private Equity

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advised the joint venture Therme Horizon, which was built by Therme Group, a global developer, owner, and operator of next-generation wellbeing destinations and the private equity investment firm CVC Capital Partner, on the acquisition of the thermal baths in Sinsheim, Black Forest, and Titisee from Josef Wund Foundation.
- Advised Therme Group, a global developer, owner, and operator of next-generation wellbeing destinations, on the formation of a strategic joint venture with the private equity investment firm CVC Capital Partner. Both parties will become equal shareholders in Therme Horizon, a new holding company valued at more than €1 billion.
- Advised Therme Group, a global developer, owner, and operator of next-generation wellbeing destinations, on the large cap acquisition of Therme Erding, including the financing of the transaction. Macquarie Capital financed the acquisition with a loan of €320 million in addition to a confidential equity amount provided by Therme Group.
- Advised Linz Electric S.p.A./Pedrollo Group, a manufacturing group specialized in the production of alternators and rotating machines with headquarters in Italy, in its acquisition of a majority stake in a German mechanical engineering company, KW Generator GmbH (KWG), after a complex reorganization of the target company.
- Advised UK-based private equity firm TriSpan LLP regarding its acquisition of a majority stake (incl. investment agreement, shareholders' agreement and profit participation documentation) in Deutsche Hausverwaltung Plus GmbH, a holding company in Germany designed to execute a roll up in the residential property management market.
- Advised Deutsche Hausverwaltung Plus GmbH (DHV Plus), a holding company for property management companies, regarding multiple add-on acquisitions in the property management market.
- Advised Mahr Holding GmbH on the sale of its shares in Mahr EDV GmbH, a leading provider of managed IT and cloud services for small and medium-sized enterprises, to British private equity investor Tenzing. Mahr EDV GmbH is a provider of managed IT services and cloud services for small and medium-sized companies.
- Advised Argo AI GmbH, the German development subsidiary of Argo AI LLC, an autonomous driving technology company formerly headquartered in the United States with Volkswagen Group and Ford Motor Group as key investors, on the termination of the joint venture, including advice on the complex cross-border retransfer documentation, potential insolvency monitoring, tax structuring, antitrust law, and employment law as well as IT law matters.

- Advised issuer EXASOL AG and underwriter Hauck & Aufhäuser Privatbankiers Aktiengesellschaft on a cash capital increase of EXASOL AG amounting to 10 percent of the share capital. EXASOL AG generated gross proceeds of more than €43 million from the placement.
- Advised OSRAM Continental Group, a new joint venture formed by OSRAM AG (MDAX-listed) and Continental AG (DAX-listed) in the automotive lighting business, on major restructurings with respect to their international subsidiaries, as well as on corporate governance issues.
- Advised German joint venture company OSRAM Continental and its international subsidiaries on its dissolution and re-transfer of specific businesses to shareholders covering multiple jurisdictions and cross-border arrangements, including antitrust law, employment law, IT law, tax law and commercial law-related matters.
- Advised Koenig & Bauer, a manufacturer of printing machines, in connection with the annual shareholders' meeting, including guidance on activist shareholders and compliance with proxy advisor recommendations.
- Advised Koenig & Bauer AG, a manufacturer of printing machines, on the formation of a 50/50 joint venture with Italian Durst Phototechnik AG.
- Advised Digi+ Partners, a German growth equity fund, with respect to its participation in In Mind Cloud Global GmbH (active in the development of specialized sales software).
- Advised Digi+ Partners, a German growth equity fund, with respect to its participation in Price f(x) AG (active in the development of specialized pricing software).