

## HEUSSEN Stuttgart continues to grow with renowned lawyer and expert for German-French business relations.

**Munich, 2 August 2022** - On 1 August, the experienced lawyer and expert for German French business relations Dr. Daniel Smyrek joins the commercial law firm HEUSSEN in Stuttgart as a partner.

Dr. Smyrek is an expert in commercial law, corporate law and international law. He specialises in Franco-German legal relations, commercial law of the Maghreb states and the conduct of complex transnational legal proceedings before state courts as well as arbitral tribunals. He is admitted both as a German lawyer and as a French avocat à la cour. He is also accredited as an arbitrator at the CMAP in Paris and heads the French desk in Stuttgart.

Dr Smyrek joins from the Berlin boutique law firm Alexander & Partner, where he advised national and international clients as an associate partner for the last six years. Prior to that, he worked for more than 12 years at the prestigious Stuttgart law firm Diem & Partner.

At HEUSSEN, Dr. Smyrek joins former colleagues and partners Y. S. Kaan Kalkan, Roland Kahabka and Torsten Prokoph. The four lawyers worked together successfully for many years at Diem & Partner.

*"I am delighted to join some of my extremely competent and esteemed colleagues from my earlier time in Stuttgart at HEUSSEN and to complement this highly professional, pleasant team with my expertise regarding France and North Africa",* comments Dr. Smyrek on his move to HEUSSEN.

Dr. Smyrek's clients include medium-sized companies from industry and commerce as well as various banks, which Dr. Smyrek advises in cross-border legal cases, often with reference to France, Africa and the Near and Middle East.

HEUSSEN is continuing the consistent expansion of its Stuttgart office. Christoph Hamm, Managing Partner HEUSSEN Germany: *"We are very pleased about the reinforcement by Dr. Smyrek in commercial and corporate law as well as in international law.*

*The area of commercial and corporate law with an international orientation is a focal point at HEUSSEN. With his professional experience, Dr. Smyrek will significantly enrich this important practice group. No less valuable is Dr. Smyrek's international orientation with a clear focus on France and the Maghreb. We also expect positive impulses to further improve this area and thus add value for our clients.*

*This growth will strengthen our location in the centre of the Stuttgart economic region."*

#### **About HEUSSEN:**

HEUSSEN Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH is a full-service commercial law firm. A total of over 120 lawyers, tax advisors, auditors and notaries work for HEUSSEN at its offices in Munich, Frankfurt/Main, Stuttgart and Berlin.

HEUSSEN advises nationally and internationally active companies in all areas of commercial law. The firm is a member of the international network MULTILAW, one of the largest networks of independent law firms with more than 10,000 lawyers in more than 100 countries worldwide. For further information, please visit [www.heussen-law.de](http://www.heussen-law.de).

#### **HEUSSEN French Desk:**

Dr Daniel Smyrek is the contact person for Heussen's French desk in Stuttgart and works closely with employment law expert Helge Röstermundt, who heads Heussen's French desk from Berlin.

The French desk advises French companies with business interests in Germany, and accompanies German companies in court proceedings or contract negotiations in France.

The lawyers and notaries from our French Desk speak French, some have French degrees or have already worked in France or are admitted to the French bar. As the only German member firm, we frequently benefit from the French lawyer network GESICA. GESICA has a law firm in practically every court district in France and is also represented in over 30 countries outside France.

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