

## Media release

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### **Niederer Kraft & Frey cements the excellence of its transactions practice with the lateral hire of partner Till Spillmann**

Niederer Kraft & Frey is pleased to announce that Dr Till Spillmann will join NKF as of 1 January 2018. He will be followed by his core team Adrian Koller, Andrea Giger and Ivo von Büren later in 2018.

Till Spillmann, who will join NKF as a Partner in the transactions team, is an internationally recognised expert in private and public M&A, capital markets and financing transactions. Over the past decade he has built remarkable expertise advising banks, corporates and private equity firms on numerous high-profile mergers & acquisitions, capital markets and financing transactions, as well as on corporate restructurings. He also advises on corporate governance and other corporate and commercial law matters. Till is a founder and member of the editorial board of GesKR, a leading law journal on corporate and capital markets law in Switzerland. He regularly speaks and writes articles and legal commentaries on topics within his fields of practice.

Chambers Global and Chambers Europe rank Till Spillmann as a leading individual in the practice areas Banking & Finance and Capital Markets. IFLR 1000 lists him as a "rising star" and Who's Who Legal recognises him as one of the world's leading capital markets lawyers.

Till Spillmann joins NKF from Bär & Karrer where he started his legal career. From 2007 to 2008 he was seconded to a Magic Circle firm in London and in 2013 he was appointed partner at Bär & Karrer. From 2014 until he announced his departure in 2017 he also served as a managing partner of Bär & Karrer.

Adrian Koller and Andrea Giger will join NKF's transaction team as Senior Associates and Ivo von Büren will join as an Associate. All three have been working in Till's team for several years. They are committed and skilled experts in the fields of M&A, financing and capital markets transactions.

Philippe Weber, NKF's managing partner, said: "A very warm welcome to our new partner Till and team. With their extraordinary joint experience, track record and team dynamic, they will be a tremendous addition to our transactions practice." Weber added: "2017 has been an outstanding year for NKF. We delivered on our clients' goals, acting on the largest M&A deal, the largest IPO and on several of the most high-profile white collar and other critical matters of the year in Switzerland. In spring we were awarded European law firm of the year by The Lawyer. The decision of Till and his team to join ours is further testament to the continued success of our client focused strategy and entrepreneurial spirit. We look forward now to a strong 2018."

Till Spillmann comments: "I am truly excited to join Niederer Kraft & Frey together with my core team and very proud to become a member of its highly successful and renowned Transaction Practice Group. NKF offers a very well-positioned and truly entrepreneurial platform to provide high-end quality advice to the most demanding clients and to attract the best talents to secure future growth. Amid increasing competition, I am convinced we will be able to make the difference as a fantastic team of highly professional, dedicated and passionate lawyers. I look forward to working together with my new partners and further shaping NKF's footprint as one of the leading business law firms in Switzerland."

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