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## Luther appoints energy, environmental and planning lawyer Prof. Dr Tobias Leidinger as a Partner

**Dusseldorf - By resolution of the Partners' Meeting, Luther Rechtsanwalts-gesellschaft has appointed Prof. Dr Tobias Leidinger as a Partner. The experienced energy, planning and environmental lawyer, who is a certified specialist in administrative law, has worked as Counsel in the firm's Dusseldorf office since 2015. The appointment confirms the outstanding quality of his advisory work, in particular for companies from the energy sector and from other industries and for public sector companies, including E.ON SE, PreußenElektra, Uniper, LEAG, EWN and BGE.**

Prof. Dr Leidinger has outstanding industry knowledge and many years of experience advising industrial companies, in particular on matters pertaining to energy, industrial plant, environmental, nuclear, planning and waste law. Currently, this includes providing advice on constitutional and compensation law issues in connection with the coal phase-out in Germany, but above all supporting complex infrastructure projects. Most recently, he was able to win the German Federal company for radioactive waste disposal (BGE) as a new client in an open public procurement competition. Luther is now advising BGE on the retrieval of radioactive waste from the Asse II mine.

Prof. Dr Tobias Leidinger is also a Director at the Institute for Mining and Energy Law (IBE) at the Ruhr University Bochum (RUB). Furthermore, he is the author of relevant textbooks and commentaries, especially on environmental and energy law, and a frequent lecturer.

“Complex infrastructure projects are a special challenge: they require not only excellent legal and industry knowledge and strategic foresight, but also special project management know-how,” said Dr Markus Sengpiel, Co-Managing Partner at Luther. “With Prof. Dr Leidinger, we have a very experienced expert on board for this. He is in his element when it comes to the practice-oriented management of projects at the interface between technology and the law. His advisory services as a lawyer and legal project manager are highly appreciated by both clients and us. We are now honouring this by accepting him into the partnership.”

### **Prof. Dr Leidinger’s CV**

Studied law at the Universities of Freiburg i. Br., Münster and Speyer (Germany). Several years of academic work at the Institute for Public Business Law at the University of Münster. Obtained his doctorate in 1992 for a thesis on a topic relating to special administrative law. Has been practising as a lawyer since 1995, and as a certified specialist in administrative law since 1999: until 1998, as a lawyer in the law firm Kapellmann & Partner, Dusseldorf, which specialised in private and public building law and legal project management; from 1998 to 2012, as an in-house lawyer in a leading position in the energy industry (DAX 30 group), in various functions and at different locations in Germany and abroad, with an emphasis on energy, industrial plant, environmental and regulatory law; from 2012 to 2015, as a lawyer in the Dusseldorf office of Gleiss Lutz. Prof. Dr Leidinger joined Luther’s Dusseldorf office in 2015, where he advises on public business, energy, planning and environmental law.

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### **Brief Profile Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH**

Luther is a leading German commercial law firm that offers comprehensive legal and tax advice. The full-service law firm employs over 420 lawyers and tax advisors and is represented in ten German economic hubs as well as with ten of its own international offices in key investment locations and financial centres in Europe and Asia. Its clients include medium-sized enterprises and large corporations, as well as the public sector.

Luther works closely with other commercial law firms in all the prevailing jurisdictions. On the Continent, Luther is part of a group of independent leading law firms who have worked together for many years on joint cross-border projects.

Luther Rechtsanwaltsgesellschaft mbH is a law firm with a business approach: our innovative awareness aspires us to provide our clients with customised legal advice that addresses individual needs and delivers the greatest possible economic benefit. All of Luther’s lawyers and tax advisers have a solid understanding of interdisciplinary matters and a wealth of experience in collaborating on complex tasks. Luther was

named "Law Firm of the Year 2019" by the German legal published JUVE. Further information is available at: [www.luther-lawfirm.com](http://www.luther-lawfirm.com)

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