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OVERVIEW

Gabriella Piras is an associate in the firm's Berlin office and a member of the corporate/M&A practice group. She advises national and international clients on corporate law, in particular on mergers and acquisitions, stock corporation and limited liability company law, as well as on corporate litigation. Gabriella has advised a wide variety of clients, including domestic and international companies in the automotive sector. In 2021, Gabriella was seconded to the legal M&A department of a world leading automotive supplier. Gabriella has a specific focus on German-Italian transactions.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Gabriella joined the firm as an associate in August 2017. During her legal clerkship she worked for the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy, for a reputable Berlin based law firm, and the legal department of a MDAX company. From 2011 to 2015 she worked as a research assistant at the Chair of Civil Law and Private International Law at the University of Potsdam. She studied Law at the University of Potsdam and the University of Paris X - Nanterre (France).

ACHIEVEMENTS

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

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Voluntary member of the organization team of an organization that supports female law students (JurMeP) at the University of Potsdam
- Member of the German Women Lawyers Associations (DJB e.V.)

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Labor Law of German Churches, German-French-Moroccan Summer University, University Hassan II, Casablanca, 05/2014 (French presentation)
- A Common Approach of Immigration Law of the European Union with Third Countries, German-French-Tunisian Summer University, University Tunis El Manar, 11/2013 (French presentation)
- Internet Regulations as Duty of a Modern State to Guarantee the Citizens' Security and Liberty, Tri-national Summer University Minsk, 06/2013 (German presentation)
- Legal Harmonization of Internet Press Offenses Caused by the ECJ's Ruling of October 25, 2011 – eDate Advertising, Tri-national Summer University Minsk, 06/2012 (German presentation)

EDUCATION

- Second Legal State Exam, Higher Regional Court of Berlin, 2017
- Dr. iur., University of Potsdam, 2016
- First Legal State Exam, University of Potsdam, 2012
- Master 2, University of Paris X - Nanterre, 2010

LANGUAGES

- English
- French
- German
- Italian

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Virtual Householder's Rights? Criticism of the Attempt to Narrow Down Internet Freedom”, Mohr Siebeck publishers, series: *Internet and society*, 2016 (German book)
- “Labor Law of German Churches”, *RDT* (Revue de Droit du Travail) 2014, p. 646 (French article)
- “§ 110 BGB Under the Signs of the Times”, *JA* 2014, p. 893, co-author: Henry Stieglmeier (German article)

NEWS & EVENTS

- 19 December 2023, K&L Gates Advises Balderton Capital on Investment in Scalable Capital

- 10 October 2023, K&L Gates Advises Mahr Holding on Sale of Shares in Mahr EDV GmbH to Private Equity Investor
- 7 June 2023, K&L Gates Advises Vitesco Technologies on Sale of All Shares in Vitesco Technologies Italy Srl
- 20 March 2023, K&L Gates Advises ARRI Group on Acquisition of Professional Lighting Provider Claypaky
- 22 February 2021, K&L Gates Advises CML Microsystems PLC on sale of Hyperstone
- 8 October 2020, K&L Gates Advises Roboze SpA on German Growth

MEDIA MENTIONS

- *A LegalCommunity.it* (Italy) article notes Munich partner Martina Ortner, Milan counsel Lorenzo Frantoni, and Berlin senior associate Gabriella Piras advised MotorK Italia in an acquisition.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital

INDUSTRIES

- Automotive
- Manufacturing

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Represented United Kingdom-headquartered MotorK Italia S.r.l. (AMS: MTRK) in a complex cross-border acquisition of Ico-International GmbH.