## **PRESS RELEASE**

## INFORMATION FROM WOLF THEISS REGARDING CORONA VIRUS SITUATION

Vienna, 3 March 2020 - On Thursday, 27.2.2020, we were informed that a member of our partnership had contracted the Corona virus. We immediately implemented an action plan, putting in place all necessary steps to protect our employees, clients, courts and business partners.

These measures include:

- · Installing a crisis management team,
- Immediately contacting and continuously supporting the health authorities AGES (Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety) and MA 15,
- Testing all Wolf Theiss employees in Vienna,
- Establishing a medical hotline to a leading infectiologist.

Testing for the virus started within 24 hours of Wolf Theiss being informed of our partner's illness. The tests were conducted on our own initiative and at our own expense in order to achieve certainty. The test was carried out by a German virological institute. Last Friday more than 200 staff members were tested in a first wave of tests, this Monday another 80 were tested.

Of the people tested so far, more than 200 have tested negative and three positive. These three persons showed no symptoms of illness and were immediately placed in domestic quarantine. They are currently undergoing an official confirmatory test. Those staff members whose results are expected in the course of Tuesday are working from home and have been asked to avoid contact with other colleagues, clients and courts until the results are available.

Due to the immediate testing of our people, Wolf Theiss is currently the only Austrian company to ensure that contacts to clients, courts and other employees are only made by persons who have been tested negative.

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