

**Law** done right.

**Wolf Theiss**

# Smart people working on challenging projects for inspiring clients

**Local** focus on  
a global scale.

## Local knowledge

We focus on a unique part of the world: the complex and dynamic markets of the CEE and SEE regions. With our specialised knowledge and local office network, we support our clients in mastering complex business challenges and creating new opportunities.

In addition to 13 offices, we have regional desks covering Kosovo, Montenegro and North Macedonia. Our desks focus on smaller jurisdictions and help us to serve your needs. This allows us to provide seamless legal services across the region, ensuring coordinated advice in multiple jurisdictions.

The European Legal 500 described us as “arguably the best Austrian firm in Central and Eastern Europe”. Others agreed, such as The Lawyer naming us “Law firm of the Year” for Central Europe and for South Eastern Europe multiple times. It’s a reputation we’ve taken over 65 years to build. Since starting out in Vienna, we have grown into the largest fully integrated firm in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (CEE and SEE). Our team now brings together over 390 lawyers, working across numerous practice areas in 13 countries. During that time, we have worked on numerous cases that have broken new ground.

## International experience

We offer our clients a wealth of knowledge and expertise in the following areas:

- Arbitration
- Banking & Finance
- Blockchain & Crypto Assets
- Capital Markets
- Competition & Antitrust
- Construction Law & Engineering
- Corporate M&A
- Data Protection & Cybersecurity
- Employment
- Energy & Infrastructure
- Intellectual Property
- Investigations, Crisis Response & Compliance
- Litigation
- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Public Procurement
- Real Estate Law
- Regulatory & Administrative Law
- Restructuring, Insolvency & Distressed Investments
- Tax
- TMT
- White Collar Crime

**One region** one firm.

**Poland**

**Ukraine**

**Czech Republic**

**Slovak Republic**

**Austria**

**Hungary**

**Slovenia**

**Croatia**

**Serbia**

**Romania**

**Bosnia & Herzegovina**

**Bulgaria**

**Albania**

## **The Wolf Theiss region**

Many law firms talk about having a presence in multiple countries. But that often means they simply have links to other firms in the region. We prefer to have a real presence on the ground. It leads to closer client relationships and a better working knowledge of regional jurisdictions.

# Setting precedent, breaking new ground

**Ground-breaking USD 7 billion global Asset-Based Loan (ABL):** Platinum Equity's acquisition of the world's largest provider of technology solutions

**First ever project bond financed renewable energy acquisition in Czech Republic:** Acquisition of the Energy 21 solar PV portfolio

**Rare market exit:** Restructuring of Tesco's real estate portfolio in Poland

**Global Rockstar's market launch of their innovative blockchain-based NFT-platform:** A new business model and a worldwide innovation

**First ever platform merger case dealt with by the Romanian Competition Council:** Glovo's acquisition of Delivery Hero

**One of the largest transactions in the fertilizer sector:** Agrofert's acquisition of Borealis' nitrogen business across Europe

**First-ever acquisition in Austria of a large passive mobile infrastructure holding company:** Cellnex Telecom's EUR 1.2 billion acquisition of the European telecommunications tower assets of CK Hutchison Holdings

**First ever competing takeover offer in Austrian takeover history:** CPI Property Group's acquisition of IMMOFINANZ

**Biggest and most complex merger in Albania to date:** Altelecom and ONE Telecommunications

**Largest banking transaction in Bulgaria:** Sale of Raiffeisenbank (Bulgaria) to KBC Bank

**Landmark deal in Slovenian banking sector:** OTP's acquisition of Nova KBM

**One of the largest insolvency cases in CEE:** Representing Wiener Privatbank in the insolvency proceedings of Arca Investments

**Landmark M&A transaction:** Croatian auction process for the frozen foods business owned by Fortenova (formerly, Agrokor)

**Largest real estate credit facility ever issued in Romania:** Refinancing three shopping centres of AFI

**Consistent results ?  
Guilty.**

**First ever green covered bond trade in Slovakia:** Issue of EUR 500 Green European Covered Bonds by Slovenská sporiteľňa

**First ever multi-generating unit cascade of hydropower plants:** Kosovo providing clean energy from a renewable energy source

**First ever waste-to-energy PPP project in Serbia:** Comprehensive advice to the developers

**Largest PV portfolio to be constructed in Bulgaria:** Comprehensive advice to the developers

**First privatisation of state owned Sofia Airport:** One of the largest project finance transactions in Bulgaria



## Our awards speak for themselves

### IFLR

Law Firm of the Year - Austria  
Law Firm of the Year - Bulgaria  
Law Firm of the Year - Czech Republic  
Law Firm of the Year - Hungary  
Law Firm of the Year - Romania  
Most Innovative Law Firm of the Year - Austria

### The Lawyer

Law Firm of the Year - Central Europe  
Law Firm of the Year - Eastern Europe & The Balkans  
Law Firm of the Year - Austria

## What others say about us

‘We particularly appreciate their profound understanding of the commercial side of our business combined with their strong legal knowledge. Wolf Theiss generally provides a high level of solution-oriented service with quick response times. We also like the fact that Wolf Theiss works with a strong team of both partners and younger lawyers which means someone is always available’.

- **The Legal 500**

Clients appreciated a ‘high level of contact with partners’ and the firm’s presence in CEE once again proves to be a major draw, with market sources habitually agreeing that this is ‘the firm you would want to work with going abroad, they’re bigger and more experienced than others’.

- **Chambers Global**

### Chambers

Client Service Law Firm of the Year - Austria  
Law Firm of the Year - Austria  
Law Firm of the Year - Eastern Europe  
Law Firm of the Year - Central & Eastern Europe

### LMG Life Sciences

Corporate Firm of the Year - EMEA  
Law Firm of the Year - Austria

### Mergermarket

M&A Legal Advisor of the Year - Central & Eastern Europe  
M&A Legal Advisor of the Year - Austria

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The firm is commended on multiple occasions for its cross-border capabilities within CEE. One client shares: ‘A great advantage of Wolf Theiss is that, due to the locations of the firm, we receive legal advice in several jurisdictions from one source in most countries in CEE. We appreciate the international co-ordination of the firm. We have one point of contact in all matters’.

- **Chambers Europe**

‘The firm has a market leading position in CEE and could provide specific input on very short notice while handling multiple dependencies’.

- **International Financial Law Review**

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