

PRESS RELEASE

DIVERSITY AND EXCELLENCE: WOLF THEISS ELECTS NEW MANAGEMENT TEAM

Vienna, 10 December 2018 – Andrea Gritsch (37), Sebastian Oberzaucher (40) and Claus Schneider (46), three top next generation lawyers, are among the new Wolf Theiss managing partners. The team is completed by Richard Wolf (56), who was re-elected by the firm's partners.

The election took place on 7 December 2018. The new management team will jointly navigate the leading Central, Eastern and Southeastern European law firm through the next four years.

"Through this decision our partners have paved the way for the successful further development of the firm," Andrea Gritsch and Claus Schneider say, "the new management reflects the reality of our clients' and our employees' lives today".

FinTech expert as first woman in management team

The new Wolf Theiss management represents like no other the new generation of lawyers: Andrea Gritsch is a recognised expert in the financial services sector and typically handles large-scale cross-border mandates in the fields of M&A, finance, supervisory law and restructuring. She is also a soon-to-be mother of two; with her second child due in May 2019.

Claus Schneider, partner in the Banking & Finance practice at Wolf Theiss, specialises in banking and capital markets law; he regularly advises Austrian and foreign clients on innovative and complex capital market transactions in Austria, Central and Southeastern Europe.

Sebastian Oberzaucher co-heads the firm's procurement team and is responsible for the public sector in the new management. He specializes in planning and implementing complex construction, supply and service tenders with a particular focus on infrastructure, transport, healthcare and IT.

The four members of the new management team will – as is usual with Wolf Theiss – continue advising clients and will remain operative in their legal practice.

On behalf of the entire partnership, Richard Wolf thanked his former management colleagues: "Erik Steger and Nikolaus Paul greatly contributed to and led our partnership since 2010, both in terms of corporate culture and in advancing our footprint in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe. The past few years were extremely important in setting and maintaining the successful course of the firm in a rapidly changing market". The two top lawyers will now focus on their specialist areas of real estate law and funds and financing.

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