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I am a partner in our leading Technology, Outsourcing and Privacy group at Fieldfisher in Germany with over 20 years of experience in data protection and IT law.

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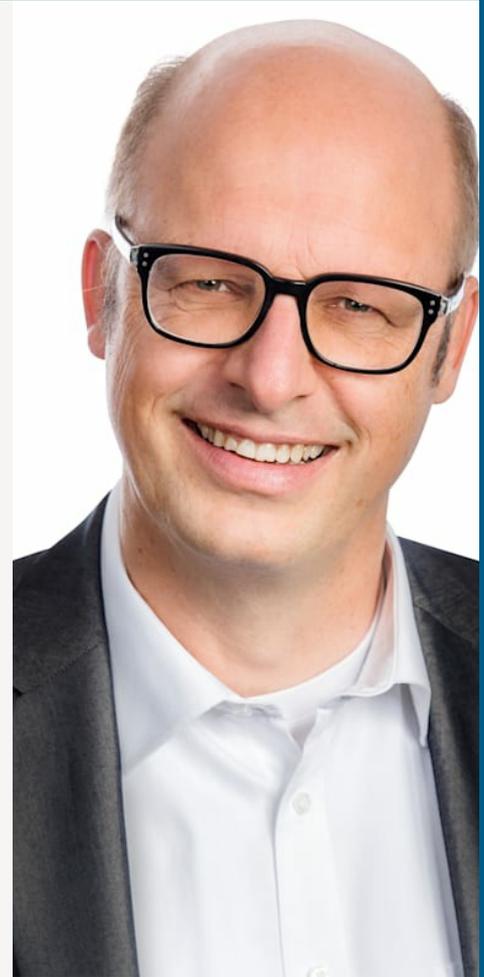
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Having studied and worked in the USA for years, including two years in our Silicon Valley office, I support many companies expanding from the USA or Asia with their activities in Europe. Working as Deputy General Counsel with AOL in Germany for more than 7 years has added a deep understanding of the needs of inhouse lawyers to my experience. My clients include small technology start-ups as well as large multinational companies. Those come from various areas applying technology including media, social media, adtech, automotive companies, telecommunication, hardware producers and distributors applying (and offering) cloud computing products or big data and artificial intelligence solutions.

My particular expertise lies in privacy related issues, dealing with regulators, international data transfers and – when necessary - helping with data breaches. I act as Data Protection Officer for many companies and help them in achieving compliance with the GDPR rules. I enjoy finding creative solutions to complex issues which I can specifically apply when advising on privacy by design and product compliance topics. At the same time I enjoy bridging cultural differences within companies as well as between different countries and advise frequently on privacy issues in the employment context. Regarding the more classical IT law, I participated

in various large-scale outsourcing deals and have a thorough experience in negotiating technology-related agreements.

Our Privacy team has been recognized widely by *Juve*, *Who is Who Legal*, *Legal 500* and *Chambers*. I have spoken widely and written numerous articles, including regular speaking engagements at the IAPP and other conferences.

In addition to my doctorate on privacy issues (many years ago), I hold Fellow of Information Privacy (FIP), Certified Information Privacy Professional (Europe) (CIPP/E) and Certified Information Program Manager (CIPM) status, as well as being a "Fachanwalt für das Recht der Informationstechnologie" (German specialist on IT Law) and a trained Mediator (DAA).

I enjoy spending my spare time with my family, travelling, taking photos and collecting photobooks.