

## Dr. Dietmar W. Helms

Partner  
Frankfurt

### Biography

Regarded by *Legal 500* "as the expert in auto loan securitisations in Germany", Dietmar has strong cross-border knowledge throughout Europe and also in China. Before most lawyers discovered the potential of the upcoming fintech industry, Dietmar advised on several benchmark transactions and helped clients to raise debt capital through bespoke structured finance transactions.

His experience is recognised through leading lawyer rankings by *IFLR*, *Chambers*, *JUVE*, *Legal500* and *Best Lawyers* and the Client Choice Award Securitisation/Structured Finance Germany by International Law Office 2013. Dietmar is a core team member of Hogan Lovells' Automotive Industry Sector group.

### Representative experience

Advising Mercedes-Benz bank on an ABS transaction amounting to €1bn.

Advising Volkswagen Bank, MAN, Porsche, MunichRe, Commerzbank, DZ Bank, UniCredit, Landesbank Baden-Württemberg and Deutsche Leasing.

Advising on several securitisations of consumer loans and SME loans for Fintech Marketplace lenders including FundingCircle, Auxmoney, Kreditech, Lendico.



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### Languages

English  
French  
German

### Practices

Capital Markets

### Industries

Automotive and Mobility

### Areas of focus

Derivatives and Structured Products  
Hogan Lovells China Desk

## Awards and rankings

- Acritas Star, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2018-2020
- Capital Markets: Structured Finance (Germany), *Chambers Global*, 2018-2019
- Capital Markets: Structured Finance and Securitisation, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2018-2019

## Latest thinking and events

- News
  - COVID-19: Summary of National Payment Moratoria Measures in Europe
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Summary of key U.S. and EU regulatory developments relating to securitization transactions
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Our Capital Markets Update Germany 2019
- Press Releases
  - Hogan Lovells in the STS securitisation of Mercedes-Benz Financial Services Italia
- Insights
  - Gaining popularity of asset-based lending
- Insights
  - The rising and booming Chinese securitization market

Raising Debt Capital

Securitization and Structured Finance

Automotive Regulatory

Rail

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## Education and admissions

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Second State Exam in Law, Heidelberg University, 1999

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Magister Artium, Goethe University Frankfurt, 1992

University of Paris I

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### Accolades

"Dietmar Helms is regarded as the expert in auto loan securitisations in Germany."

*Legal 500*

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"He has huge knowledge of ABS transactions in Germany and we feel very comfortable using him because he has the right track record in these deals."

*Chambers*

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"One of his most important characteristics is that he's able to explain complex legal matters to non-lawyers."

*Chambers*

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