

PRESS RELEASE

ADVANT Beiten Strengthens Energy Law Team with Peter Meisenbacher at the Freiburg Office

Freiburg, 4 September 2024 – The international law firm ADVANT Beiten continues to grow: It was only at the beginning of this year that ADVANT Beiten was able to further expand its energy division with Dr Malaika Ahlers as Partner and Anton Buro as Associate from Becker Büttner Held. The energy law team has developed successfully since then and is now being further strengthened with Peter Meisenbacher from Sterr-Kölln & Partner.

Peter Meisenbacher will join ADVANT Beiten as a Salary Partner at the Freiburg office on 15 September this year and will work closely with his Berlin energy law colleagues in the Public Sector practice group. At the same time, there will be close cooperation with the Freiburg partners who advise clients from the energy sector in commercial and corporate law as well as in M&A transactions (most recently at [ADVANT Beiten and ADVANT Nctm advise BKW on expansion of its interest in HelveticWind](#)). Freiburg has traditionally been a strong centre in the field of renewable energies, particularly thanks to the Fraunhofer Institute ISE and INTERSOLAR / The smarter E Europe, Europe's largest trade fair alliance for the energy industry, which is co-organised by the Freiburg Economic Development Agency and has been legally supported by ADVANT-Beiten for many years. In this environment, Peter Meisenbacher's expertise in energy law is a valuable addition.

Peter Meisenbacher (37) advises comprehensively on renewable energy law with a focus on civil law at the interface with energy law. Due to his many years of experience in the field of renewable energies, he advises project developers, investors and banks as well as local authorities and municipal utilities throughout Germany and internationally on the realisation of energy projects. One of his main focuses is the realisation of photovoltaic projects. Before joining Sterr-Kölln & Partner, Peter Meisenbacher worked for several years at Becker Büttner Held, where he worked together with Dr Malaika Ahlers and advised companies on all issues they face as consumers, electricity and heat suppliers or network operators.

'The energy sector represents a particular focus at ADVANT Beiten. Our interdisciplinary, cross-office team is growing continuously so that we are optimally positioned for the constant change that the industry is undergoing,' explains Dr Malaika Ahlers and adds: 'We are pleased to have won another very experienced expert in Peter Meisenbacher, whose expertise, primarily in the important renewable energies segment, is an ideal fit for us: a perfect match.'

Dr Jan Barth, head of the Freiburg office, is pleased about the expansion of his expertise: 'We started in 2022 as a pure corporate/M&A office and are constantly

expanding our range of advice, first with employment law and now with public law and energy law.'

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