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Education

Second State Exam, Dusseldorf Higher Regional Court, 2010

LL.M., Fordham University School of Law, 2008

First State Exam, University of Giessen, 2007

Bar Admissions

Frankfurt am Main

Languages

German

English

French

Caspar Schmelzer focuses primarily on capital markets transactions, advising clients in a variety of industries, including technology, automotive, consumer goods, financial and manufacturing. In recognition of his work, Mr. Schmelzer was named to *Best Lawyers in Germany 2024* for Capital Markets Law.

Since joining Skadden, Mr. Schmelzer's experience includes advising:

- **MorphoSys AG** in its:
  - pending €2.7 billion sale to, and public takeover by, Novartis and the simultaneous disposition of the worldwide marketing rights of its antibody drug Monjuvi to Incyte Corporation
  - cash capital increase with gross proceeds of approximately €102.7 million
  - US$1.7 billion acquisition of Constellation Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and its related US$2 billion financing from Royalty Pharma plc
  - U.S. IPO and dual listing of American depositary shares on Nasdaq
  - issuance of a US$300 million development funding bond
- **Armira** in its €30 million anchor investment as part of a €60 million private placement of new shares in tonies SE
- **Medigene** in its global cancer immunotherapy collaboration with BioNTech
- **Silver Lake** in its strategic partnership and investment in German publicly listed company Software AG via the purchase of €344 million aggregate principal amount of subordinated unsecured convertible notes. This is the first PIPE by any U.S. technology investment firm in a German public company
- Berenberg as sole global coordinator and joint bookrunner and Stifel as additional joint bookrunner in connection with a capital increase of **Pacifico Renewables Yield AG**
- **SIGNA Sports United GmbH** in connection with its US$3.3 billion initial public offering on the New York Stock Exchange as a result of the de-SPAC merger with Yucaipa Acquisition Corporation. The merger also included the acquisition of WiggleCRC Group
- Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs and J.P. Morgan as joint bookrunners in the €842 million private placement of ordinary bearer shares and listing on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange of **ABOUT YOU Holding AG**

Prior to joining Skadden, Mr. Schmelzer worked in the Frankfurt office of another law firm. His experience prior to joining Skadden includes advising:

- **Siemens** in the spin-off and listing of Siemens Energy
- **BAWAG Group** in its initial public offering
- the underwriters in the listing and offering of **JOST Werke** by way of a private placement
- **Schaeffler AG** as issuer's counsel in the listing and offering by way of a private placement
- **Sixt Leasing AG** in its initial public offering

- the underwriters in the initial public offering of **KION Group AG**
- **VTG** in its €280 million rights offering
- **Adidas** in its €500 million equity-neutral convertible bond
- the underwriters in the €8 billion rights offering of **Deutsche Bank**
- **thyssenkrupp** in its €1.4 billion capital increase
- **Diebold** in its public takeover of Wincor Nixdorf AG
- **Vonovia SE** in the placement of secondary and primary shares with a total volume of €500 million
- **Deutsche Wohnen** in its public takeover of GSW Immobilien AG
- **Deutsche Annington Immobilien SE** (now: Vonovia) in its initial public offering