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Markus Nauheim is a partner in the Munich office of Gibson Dunn. He focuses on general corporate and capital markets law, corporate governance issues as well as crisis management and crisis communication. In addition, he has extensive experience in providing compliance advice, especially in connection with governmental, regulatory, and internal investigations, as well as in the areas of post-closing and other types of dispute resolution and arbitration. Markus draws upon the experience of more than 20 years advising on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity investments, as well as cross-border joint ventures, representing both public and private German and international companies, including strategic as well as financial investors.

His corporate clients include public and private German and international companies, such as Mercedes-Benz Group, Daimler Truck, Clariant, UBS, Dresser Utility, and ABB Power Grids, among others. He has also advised financial investors, including KKR, The Gores Group, Investcorp, and OpenGate Capital. Clients relying upon his advice on corporate governance and compliance issues include German and international blue-chip companies, banks, federations, and foundations. Due to his broad client portfolio, Markus brings extensive experience in a variety of industries, such as automotive, pharmaceuticals, technology, media and telecommunications, consumer products and retail, logistics, banking and insurance, professional services, real estate, as well as sports and entertainment.

Handelsblatt / *The Best Lawyers*™ have recognized Markus in its list of Germany's Best Lawyers 2026/2027 in the categories Corporate Law, M&A, Private Equity, Litigation, Arbitration and Mediation, and Automotive Law. *The JUVE Handbook* 2026/2027 lists Markus as one of the "frequently recommended" lawyers for Corporate. *The Legal 500 Deutschland* and *The Legal 500 EMEA* again recommended him for Corporate in 2026 and recommended him for Compliance and Private Equity in 2024. *Chambers Global* 2020 also recognized him as a Foreign Expert for USA in the areas of Corporate/M&A in Germany.

Markus studied law at the University of Mainz, attended the Asia-America Institute in Transnational Law at the University of Hong Kong School of Law, and received his LL.M. in 1996 from Duke University School of Law. . He is dual-qualified and has been admitted to the New York State Bar since 1997 and as a German lawyer since 1999. In 2000, he earned his doctor's degree from the University of Mainz.

Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Markus worked at a renowned U.S. law firm in Washington, D.C., and Cologne and, thereafter, in the Munich office of a major German law firm. In addition to having been seconded to the legal department of a German DAX® corporation, Markus has also worked in Gibson Dunn's New York office.

Markus is a member of the Central Board, and Co-Head of the Mergers & Acquisitions Working Group, of the German-American Lawyers Association (*Deutsch-Amerikanische*

Capabilities

Mergers and Acquisitions
Capital Markets
Consumer Products and Retail
Crisis Management
ESG: Risk, Litigation, and Reporting
Life Sciences
Media, Entertainment, and Technology
Private Equity
Securities Regulation and Corporate Governance
Sports Law
White Collar Defense and Investigations

Credentials

Education

Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz - 2000 Dr. jur.
Duke University - 1996 Master of Laws (LL.M.)
Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz - 1995 Law Degree

Admissions

New York Bar
Germany - Rechtsanwalt

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Juristen-Vereinigung e.V.). He is Chair of Duke Germany, serves on the German Duke Alumni Admissions Advisory Committee, and from 2013 through 2019 was a member of the Duke Law Alumni Association Board of Directors. In recognition of excellence in volunteer service to Duke University, he received the Forever Duke Award from the Duke Alumni Association of Duke University in 2009 and 2026. In 2014, he was presented the International Alumni Award by Duke University School of Law.

In addition to his native German, Markus is fluent in English.

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