



Berenberg continues to expand in Continental Europe and hires two Senior Bankers for its Investment Banking division

Hamburg. Berenberg strengthens its Investment Banking Division in Continental Europe with two experienced senior bankers: Dominik Bär as Head of DACH Investment Banking and Andreas Franzen as Head of ECM Execution & Structuring in Continental Europe. Bär most recently worked for the American investment bank Lazard as Managing Director while Franzen joins from Deutsche Bank, where he was working in the Equity Capital Market division as a Director.

Fabian de Smet, CFA, Head of Investment Banking Continental Europe at Berenberg, says: “We are delighted to welcome Dominik Bär and Andreas Franzen to Berenberg. Both bring exceptional banking skills and several years of industry experience with them, and will strengthen our position as one of the leading investment banks in Europe.”

Bär and **Franzen** join a growing Investment Banking team at Berenberg after the 2020 recruitment of **Clarence Nahan** from Mediobanca as Head of Investment Banking in France, Italy and Iberia from Mediobanca, while **Ghislain De Lathuy** joined Berenberg at the beginning of 2020 and is now responsible for the development of the activities in the Benelux. The Investment Banking Continental Europe (IBCE) management team is completed by its longstanding senior members **Arnd Grimm**, Head of Corporate Finance in Continental Europe, and **Bastian Schiedat**, Head of Equity Syndicate in Continental Europe.

Berenberg acted on more than 70 Investment Banking transactions in 2020 across a range of markets which, in addition to the DACH region, included Belgium, The Netherlands, France, the Nordic region and Spain. Notable transactions included a 535 million Euro capital increase for Eurofins Scientific, the 8.8 billion Euro spin-off of Siemens Energy, a 200 million Euro sell-down in Fluidra, the 340 million Euro treasury share sale in CompuGroup, the 252 million Euro IPO of UnifiedPost, a 7.3 billion SEK capital increase for Embracer and a 588 million Dollar capital raise for German company BioNTech. De Smet added: “It's exciting to see our Capital Markets capabilities continue to broaden and we're hopeful of taking more market share during 2021.”

Dominik Bär (age 38) has more than 14 years of investment banking experience and joins Berenberg from Lazard where he was recently heading as Managing Director the coverage for the DACH region advising corporates on IPOs, spin-offs, capital increases, block placings and M&A situations.

As Head of ECM Execution & Structuring in Continental Europe, **Andreas Franzen** (age 40) will be responsible with his team for the structuring and execution of all Berenberg transactions across Continental Europe. He brings more than 10 years of experience in ECM working both in Frankfurt and in London on Pan-European transactions. Franzen joins Berenberg from Deutsche Bank, where he recently acted as a Director in the ECM division.

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