

# À propos de

Rolf Watter has broad experience in all types of M&A transactions, including defence mandates. He also specializes in corporate governance questions.

He is a board member of the listed AP Alternative Portfolio. He used to be chairman of PostFinance (2012/2021), CEVA Logistics (2018/2019) and of Nobel Biocare (2012/2014; member 2007/2012); further he was a board member in a number of other Swiss listed companies, namely Aryzta, Zurich Insurance Group, Syngenta, Centerpulse, and Forbo. He was a long-time member of the Regulatory Board of the SIX Swiss Exchange (2003/2022).

Rolf teaches as a professor at the University of Zurich since 1996 and is an editor of the GesKR and the Basler Kommentare on the Code of Obligations II, the Financial Infrastructure Act, the Banking and the Merger Act. He regularly publishes in his fields of work.

In Chambers Global and Europe, Rolf is consistently ranked in tier 1 of the leading lawyers for Corporate/M&A in Switzerland and is recognized as a leading lawyer in the Legal 500 Hall of Fame. He is listed among the top 30 corporate governance practitioners in the world by Expertguides. Rolf Watter won the ILO Client Choice Awards Switzerland in the category M&A (2016 and 2018); WWL has ranked him in 2019 as best Corporate Governance lawyer.

LANGUES

English, French, German

#### CURRICULUM

- Currently board member of AP Alternative Portfolio AG (since 2000)
- Chairman of PostFinance AG (2013-2021), of Ceva Logistics AG (2018-2019), Nobel

Biocare AG (2007-2014, chairman as from 2012) and Chairman of Cablecom Holdings GmbH (2003-2008); board member of Aryzta AG (2016-2020), Zurich Insurance Group (2002-2014), Syngenta (2000-2012), Forbo (1999-2005), Feldschlösschen Getränke AG (2001-2004) and Centerpulse (2002-2003)

- Member of the board of directors of Bär & Karrer AG (2007-2009)
- Member of the management board of Bär & Karrer (2000-2009)
- University of Zurich: Professor of Law (since 1996), Venia Legendi (1990)
- Partner of Bär & Karrer (since 1994)
- Georgetown University, Washington D.C.: LL.M. (1988)
- Admitted to the Zurich Bar (1986)
- University of Zurich: Dr. iur. (1985)
- University of Zurich: lic. iur. (1983)

#### ASSOCIATIONS ET FONCTIONS PUBLIQUES

- Swiss Bar Association (SAV/FSA)
- SIX Swiss Exchange: Member of the Admission Board, Recognised Representative for the Listing of Securities
- Part-time Professor of Law at the University of Zurich
- Co-editor of the law journal "GesKR" and of the Basler Commentaries on Corporate Law, on the Banking Act, the Stock Exchange Act and the Merger Act

**ADMISSION** 

Tous les tribunaux suisses

## Domaines d'activités

Droit des sociétés et droit commercial Environment, Social & Governance (ESG) Redressement, restructuration et insolvabilité M&A (Fusions et acquisitions) Marchés de capitaux et sociétés cotées

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