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Hendrik advises financial institutions, asset management companies, corporates and high-net-worth individuals on German and European financial markets law. His work combines precise legal analysis with practical solutions that guide clients safely through their legal challenges.

Hendrik's practice focuses on the design and implementation of complex financial market and fund projects – from developing innovative business, investment and trading models to representing clients before German courts and the General Court of the European Union. He combines the technical excellence clients often expect from large law firms with the agility and personalised service of a specialised boutique firm.

Career

- Founder of Kronsteyn in 2018
- Associate at a US top tier law firm, focus on Tax and Financial Markets Law
- Admitted to the German Bar since 2015
- Martin Luther University Halle Wittenberg (Dr. jur.)
- Hanau Regional Court (Second State Examination in Law)
- University College London, focus on Financial Services Law (LL. M.)
- FernUniversität in Hagen, focus on Taxation and Finance (B. Sc.)
- Eberhard Karls University of Tübingen, focus on Tax Law (First State Examination in Law)

Recent Work

- Structuring, establishment and distribution support for various private equity/venture capital funds, real estate funds and securities funds.
- Comprehensive legal and compliance advice regarding ongoing business operations and new business models for German securities trading firms.
- Advising on and legally implementing the market entry of the first German crypto-trading app and related service offerings, including trading, custody and settlement structures, for a major financial services group.
- Advising a European exchange group on the establishment of an additional regulated market for securities trading and on the adaptation of custody and settlement infrastructures.
- Advising and representing international corporates and financial institutions in various sanctions matters before regulatory authorities and the European Court.

Publications

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