

# Press Release

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## **SCHIFF-MARTINI & CIE. GmbH continues to grow**

### **Auditing and tax advisory firm expands its top management**

The auditing and tax advisory firm Schiff-Martini & Cie. GmbH (Schiff-Martini) located in Frankfurt - Gateway Gardens has decided to expand its management by promoting three managers out of its own ranks - appointing Anita Bolkovac, Kirstin Neeser and Katja Scherpf as additional partners and managing directors of Schiff-Martini.

With a team of 70 employees, the firm primarily supports internationally operating foreign investors setting up subsidiaries in Germany. Currently, Schiff-Martini provides services to about 300 German subsidiaries of corporations from a total of 20 different countries. Over 75 % of those are headquartered in USA, UK and Japan.

The core of its advisory services is to support German subsidiaries of foreign investors with a complete package of services: from start-up consultancy covering the legal and tax structuring, accounting, payroll and compliance, tax advisory, M&A transaction consultancy, all the way through to support with cooperation partners in site identification, staff recruitment, notary services, legal and business management consultancy, plus insurance services, visas and work permits.

“Since moving to Frankfurt - Gateway Gardens, we’ve been experiencing healthy corporate growth,” explains Roland Schiff-Martini, founder and managing director of Schiff-Martini. “In order to keep pace with this growth, we have decided to expand our management. We are particularly delighted that our three new partners have been promoted from within the company.”

Anita Bolkovac is an auditor and tax advisor and responsible for Accounting Advisory Services. She has been with the firm since January 2011. Previously, she was managing director for an auditing company with the responsibility of setting up and expanding the auditing and audit-related consultancy division. She also held posts at the auditors Ernst & Young and the auditors and tax advisors Arthur Andersen, where she most recently spent several years as a manager and authorised signatory.

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Kirstin Neeser is likewise an auditor and tax advisor, but responsible for Bookkeeping Services and has been with Schiff-Martini since May 2010. After her apprenticeship at a German tax office, she gained her initial work experience at KPMG, before she became responsible for her own client base as an authorised signatory at Dr. Dornbach Treuhand GmbH and as a Team Leader at the firm of Kunsmann + Gemmerich.

Katja Scherpf is a tax advisor and initially joined Schiff-Martini as a trainee to become a tax consultant in 1997. In 2000, she completed her apprenticeship and advanced her education by becoming a specialist tax consultant in 2005. Since April 2009, she has been a tax advisor and authorised signatory at Schiff-Martini. In addition to that, she has been responsible for setting up and managing the Real Estate Team.

Due to the firm's development and a growing number of staff, Schiff-Martini will be moving into its new office in 2018. Also located in Gateway Gardens - in a specially erected building – the "Lindbergh Parkside Office". Here, Schiff-Martini will be implementing its "inbound-house concept". Together with cooperation partners, foreign investors will find a one stop service point. The concept is rounded off by an office centre operated by Schiff-Martini and a café with a view to the park. One particular advantage of the new building is that it offers room for new network partners or other future-focused enterprises.

We will be pleased to send you high-resolution data for the following photos.

The new members of the management at Schiff-Martini:



Anita Bolkovac



Kirstin Neeser



Katja Scherpf

## **Background information on SCHIFF-MARTINI & CIE. GmbH**

The auditing and tax advisory firm Schiff-Martini & Cie. GmbH (SMC) was founded in February 1992. The core of its advisory services is to support German subsidiaries of foreign investors with a complete package of services, which in addition to auditing, accounting and tax advisory services also covers staff recruitment and site identification for the subsidiary concerned.

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SMC, as an internationally focused firm of consultants, currently supports around 300 German subsidiaries with investors from a total of 20 different countries. More than 75 per cent of the clients are headquartered in the USA, the UK or Japan. This means the regional focus of consultancy is on Asia, the USA and Europe. SMC's 70-strong crew is correspondingly international in composition, including a dedicated team for Japanese clients featuring native-speakers.

The client portfolio essentially comprises sales companies, with some production enterprises as well. Over the course of the years, SMC has built up a fund of specialised expertise in the following sectors: property, automotive component suppliers, IT/software, the pharmaceutical and medical sectors, and the fashion industry. For the property sector, there is even a complete team.

The clients are usually mid-tier companies with a head count of roughly 500 employees. The sales volume will range up to one billion euros, depending on the client and the sector involved. The client base includes numerous enterprises listed on the stock exchange.

SMC is a member of BKR International ([www.bkr.com](http://www.bkr.com)), one of the world's leading alliances of independent tax consultants and auditors, numbering approximately 160 companies with 500 facilities in 80 different countries. In Germany, there are seven members.

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