

# BAKER MCKENZIE EXPANDS ITS PARTNERSHIP

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**Baker McKenzie** expands its membership with the incorporation of three new partners in Switzerland and 116 new partners worldwide. In this sense, Baker McKenzie has elected 75 new partners, an increase of 22% from 2021, demonstrating clear and growing confidence in the continued success of the firm. Additionally, 41 lateral partner hires have joined the partnership, strengthening the firm's client service capabilities in key practice areas. Of these new partners, 37% are female.

Regarding Switzerland, Olha Demianiuk, Julia Schieber and Markus Wolf have joined the partnership.

**Olha Demianiuk** (pictured left) has joined Baker McKenzie Geneva from the Kyiv office as a partner for M&A and Healthcare & Life Sciences. Olha has more than 17 years of experience in advising local and international clients on M&A, private equity and equity capital transactions and, in recent years, has focused her practice mainly on the healthcare sector. Together with the existing Healthcare & Life Sciences Industry Group of the two Swiss offices, Olha will continue to raise Baker McKenzie's profile in the market in this sector.

**Julia Schieber** (pictured centre) has been promoted to partner for Intellectual Property (IP) and Technology in the Zurich office. Schieber has been with Baker McKenzie since 2015. During this time, she has gained extensive expertise at the intersection of IP, healthcare and transactions. As part of the Firm's global IP and Technology team, she assists clients in complex IP transactions involving the development, exploitation and transfer of IP rights. She has been ranked as a "rising star" for Life Sciences in Switzerland by The Legal 500, and for IP by Managing IP. Julia is also heavily involved in Baker McKenzie's pro bono work on children's rights.

**Markus Wolf** (pictured right) has been promoted to partner for Banking & Finance as well as Restructuring & Insolvency in the Zurich office. He advises on all aspects of banking and finance and restructuring and insolvency. Wolf has extensive experience in advising lenders, borrowers and sponsors on complex, multi-jurisdictional leveraged acquisitions and corporate, project, export and property financing transactions. Markus started his career with Baker McKenzie in 2012 as a trainee lawyer and has become a mainstay of its highly regarded Banking & Finance Practice. He also has experience in public sector (sovereign) financing. He regularly acts for Swiss and foreign creditors and debtors in domestic and cross-border financial restructurings and formal insolvency procedures. Wolf is co-head of the Swiss Banking & Finance Practice Group and a member of the Swiss Restructuring & Insolvency team. Further-more, Markus is a lecturer on private law at the University of St.Gallen (HSG).