



## PKF O'Connor Davies Hires Ralf Ruedenburg to Establish and Lead New German Desk 11/8/2018

PKF O'Connor Davies, LLP, the nation's 29th largest accounting and advisory firm, announced today it has hired Ralf Ruedenburg. Ruedenburg will serve as principal and practice leader of the new German Desk specializing in audit, tax and advisory services, merger and acquisition advice and tax structuring for U.S., German, Austrian and Swiss clients.

"Ralf is exactly the right person to lead this exciting expansion," said Kevin J. Keane, Managing Partner. "As our international footprint continues to grow, his leadership and experience will be essential in further establishing a robust offering for U.S. clients conducting business in Germany and German, Austrian and Swiss clients conducting business in the U.S."

This growth is part of PKF O'Connor Davies' ongoing strategic expansion initiative to solidify world-class services for international markets and answer the call from our clients to extend the Firm's practice areas. The German desk will provide clients with international insights, technical expertise and a deep cultural understanding of German business needs and priorities.

"I'm proud to join the incredible international team at PKF O'Connor Davies to expand our presence in the market where I began my career," said Ruedenburg. "German-owned companies have a unique set of accounting needs, and I look forward to building a practice with exceptional professional services to drive better results for current and new clients."

A native German speaker, Ruedenburg is a Germany Certified Public Accountant, tax advisor and an attorney in Germany. He has extensive experience, including managing the tax side of engagements with a specialization in planning. For more than 15 years, Ruedenburg has built his career on providing superior service for clients and developing teams that match his commitment to excellence. He has also worked with U.S. subsidiaries of German parent companies and is well versed in audits and reviews in adherence with IFRS/US-GAAP and German GAAP.

The German Desk is the latest expansion designed to meet the specific needs of our expanding international client base, similar to what the firm's China Desk has done in Asia. PKF O'Connor Davies is the lead North American partner in the PKF global network of independent accounting and advisory firms.

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