

## WFW ADVISES NLSTBV ON €600M TENDER FOR A1 FUNCTIONAL CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT

20 JANUARY 2021 • PRESS



**Watson Farley & Williams (“WFW”) has advised the Roads and Transport Authority of Lower Saxony (Niedersächsische Landesbehörde für Straßenbau und Verkehr – NLStBV) on the successful EU-wide tender for the functional construction contract for the expansion and maintenance of the A1 federal motorway between AS Lohne/Dinklage and AS Bramsche with regard to the award procedure and project contract.**

The contract was awarded to the A1 Lohne-Bramsche bidding consortium consisting of Johann Bunte Bauunternehmung GmbH & Co. KG and STRABAG AG Germany. The tender was structured as a negotiated procedure with a prior call for tenders and, despite challenges resulting from the Covid-19 crisis, was successfully completed in close coordination with the NLStBV and the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure before the end of 2020. This is the first contract award for a federal motorway project under the aegis of the new Autobahn GmbH authority set up by the government on 1 January 2021.

The WFW Germany team advising NLStBV was led by Munich Partners [Dr Christian Bauer](#) (Corporate) and Dr Felix Siebler (Regulatory, Public Law & Competition), supported by Associates Annabelle Forster (Regulatory, Public Law & Competition) and Katrin Gerceker (Corporate).

Christian commented: “With the modelling of the functional construction contract, an innovative approach was chosen offering numerous advantages for both client and contractor compared to conventional construction projects. We were very happy to take on the challenge of developing and negotiating customised contract structures together with the representatives of the public sector”.

Felix added: “We are very pleased that we were able to contribute our expertise in public procurement law and many years of experience advising the public sector on the conceptual design and realisation of tenders for infrastructure projects to help our client successfully close this transaction”.

## KEY CONTACT



### DR. CHRISTIAN BAUER

PARTNER • MUNICH

T: +49 89 237 086 123

[cbauer@wfw.com](mailto:cbauer@wfw.com)

## MEDIA ENQUIRIES



### WILL SALOMONE

T: +44 20 3036 9847

[media@wfw.com](mailto:media@wfw.com)

## DISCLAIMER

Watson Farley & Williams is a sector specialist international law firm with a focus on the energy, infrastructure and transport sectors. With offices in Athens, Bangkok, Dubai, Dusseldorf, Frankfurt, Hamburg, Hanoi, Hong Kong, London, Madrid, Milan, Munich, New York, Paris, Rome, Seoul, Singapore, Sydney and Tokyo our 700+ lawyers work as integrated teams to provide practical, commercially focussed advice to our clients around the world.

All references to 'Watson Farley & Williams', 'WFW' and 'the firm' in this document mean Watson Farley & Williams LLP and/or its affiliated entities. Any reference to a 'partner' means a member of Watson Farley & Williams LLP, or a member, partner, employee or consultant with equivalent standing and qualification in WFW Affiliated Entities. A list of members of Watson Farley & Williams LLP and their professional qualifications is open to inspection on request.

Watson Farley & Williams LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales with registered number OC312252. It is authorised and regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and its members are solicitors or registered foreign lawyers.

The information provided in this publication (the "Information") is for general and illustrative purposes only and it is not intended to provide advice whether that advice is financial, legal, accounting, tax or any other type of advice, and should not be relied upon in that regard. While every reasonable effort is made to ensure that the Information provided is accurate at the time of publication, no representation or warranty, express or implied, is made as to the accuracy, timeliness, completeness, validity or currency of the Information and WFW assume no responsibility to you or any third party for the consequences of any errors or omissions. To the maximum extent permitted by law, WFW shall not be liable for indirect or consequential loss or damage, including without limitation any loss or damage whatsoever arising from any use of this publication or the Information.

This publication constitutes attorney advertising.