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SECTORS: Cruise, Containers and Logistics, Maritime, Transport, Commercial Shipping

SERVICES: ECA Finance, Project Finance, Asset Finance and Leasing, Finance, Private Equity, Restructuring and Insolvency

BIO

MAREN IS A PARTNER IN THE ASSETS & STRUCTURED FINANCE GROUP.

Maren specialises in advising international banks on ship finance matters, including syndicated loans, ECA-backed loans, lease structures, restructuring and enforcements, and portfolio sales. Other areas of expertise include shipyard-related matters, marine insurance, sale and purchase, cruise and dispute resolution.

She is recognised as a notable practitioner for her shipping expertise by legal directory IFLR 1000 2021.

In addition to being a Rechtsanwältin in Germany, Maren was called to the Bar of England & Wales in 2003. Maren speaks English and German and has basic knowledge of Spanish and French.

EXPERIENCE

Advised on two separate Korea Trade Insurance Corporation backed green financings for Hapag-Lloyd AG with a combined value of US\$1bn+. Both transactions complied with the Loan Market Association's Green Loan Principles and were also in line with the Climate Bond Initiative trajectory as certified by DNV GL as independent expert.

Advised Oak Hill Advisors on acquisition of US\$182.5m container portfolio.

Advised German and international lenders on numerous new-build and second-hand tonnage financings.

Advised German banks in relation to Japanese Operating Leases for container boxes and ships.

EDUCATION

1998 · Second state examination in Bremen

1997 · LL.M. University of East Anglia

1995 · First state examination in Trier

1992 · Universidad de Salamanca

MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

Bundesrechtsanwaltskammer

Hamburgischer Anwaltsverein e.V.

German Maritime Arbitration Association

INSIGHTS

EVENT

BRIDGE TO BOARDROOM SHIPOWNERS' WEBINAR SERIES

www.wfw.com/events/bridge-to-boardroom-shipowners-webinar-series/

PRESS

WFW ADVISES HÖEGH LNG ON REFINANCING OF TWO LNG FSRUS AND ENTRY INTO NEW GERMAN TERMINALS

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-hoegh-lng-on-refinancing-of-two-lng-fsrus-and-entry-into-new-german-terminals/

PRESS

WFW ADVISES SPDBFL ON US\$136M LEASE FINANCING FOR EIGHT BULK CARRIERS

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-spdbfl-on-us136m-lease-financing-for-eight-bulk-carriers/

PRESS

WFW ADVISES RCCL ON ACQUISITION AND FINANCING OF SILVER ENDEAVOUR CRUISE SHIP

www.wfw.com/press/wfw-advises-rccl-on-acquisition-and-financing-of-silver-endeavour-cruise-ship/

PRESS

HOGAN LOVELLS AND WFW ADVISE ON TWO GREEN FINANCINGS FOR HAPAG-LLOYD WITH A TOTAL FINANCE VOLUME OF US\$1BN+

www.wfw.com/press/hogan-lovellys-and-wfw-advice-on-two-green-financings-for-hapag-lloyd-with-a-total-finance-volume-of-us1bn/
