

**PRESS RELEASE****bpv Huegel Partner Christian F. Schneider honoured at the prestigious Client Choice Awards 2020**

***He obtained the international award in the category “Energy & Natural Resources” for Austria.***

**13 February 2020.** Christian F. Schneider, Partner and Head of Public Economic Law at bpv Huegel, was honoured in London with the Client Choice Award 2020 in the category “Energy & Natural Resources” for Austria.

The Client Choice Awards, which have been presented by the International Law Office together with Lexology since 2005, honour lawyers around the world that stand apart for the excellent client care they provide and the quality of their service. The criteria for this recognition focus on the ability to add real value to the clients' business above and beyond the other players in the market. Nominations can only be made by in-house counsel.

*“The prize I was awarded is a very special recognition for my work since it confirms the particular confidence my clients have in me”* Christian F. Schneider is delighted after the award of the prize.

Like in the years before, the award of the prizes took place during a gala dinner in London in the impressive building of the Institution of Civil Engineers at One Great George Street, in close proximity to Westminster Abbey.

**About Christian F. Schneider**

Christian F. Schneider specialises in public economic law, energy law, telecommunication law, environmental law, procurement law and European law (in particular internal market and State aid). He is a Partner and Head of Public Economic Law. In addition to his activities in Vienna, he is also active for the Brussels office. He has been advising and representing inter alia national and international undertakings from the energy, telecommunication and waste management industry as well as national, regional and local government institutions and associations.

Christian F. Schneider teaches public economic law and telecommunication law at Vienna University and is a regular speaker on topics concerning public economic law and EU law; he is also an examiner for Constitutional Law at Vienna University.

Rankings and lawyers directories mention Christian F. Schneider inter alia as follows: In 2018, he was Lawyer of the Year for regulatory law in Austria in the Handelsblatt Ranking, and in the 2019 Handelsblatt Ranking, he was recommended in the four categories energy law, European law, public economic law and regulatory law. He is No 6 in the Category Public Economic Law in the Trend-Ranking 2019 of Austrian lawyers (Trend is a leading Austrian business magazine, and the ranking is based on peer-to-peer recommendations by other lawyers).

In the current Legal 500-Ranking for Austria, he is one out of seven mentioned “leading individuals” in the category “Administrative Law and Public Sector”. Ranking in Chambers in the categories “Public Law: General – Austria” and “Public Law: Planning and Environment – Austria”.

Ranking in Who's Who Legal in the categories Energy, State Aid, Public Procurement.

**About bpv Huegel**

As one of Austria's leading law firms, bpv Huegel advises national and international clients in all sectors. It is regarded as the first address for highly complex mandates, the handling of which requires specialised tax and legal knowledge, many years of experience and economic understanding. With its Brussels office, bpv Huegel has a competence centre for general EU law, European merger and antitrust law as well as regulatory and public procurement law located directly at the European institutions. bpv Huegel is a member of the "bpv LEGAL" alliance with offices in Bratislava, Bucharest, Budapest and Prague and thus offers tailor-made solutions throughout CEE. In addition, the firm has long-standing cooperation agreements with leading international law firms worldwide. The full-service law firm was founded in 1979 and is represented in Austria by offices in Vienna, Moedling and Baden, where it employs around 100 staff, including around 50 lawyers.

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