



BALTIC LEGAL
SOLUTIONS
LITHUANIA

Press release
07 06 2010 Vilnius

Two law firms combine forces and provide legal services under the new name "Baltic Legal Solutions Lithuania"

One of the leaders of business law in Lithuania and the Baltic countries - Professional Law Partnership "Jurevicius, Bartkus & Partners" - combines forces with law firm "Kazlauskas & Degešys Solvings" and thus adds the three new partners, including Ramunas Kazlauskas, Robertas Degešys and Dainius Stasiulis, to its team. Additionally, enhancing the integration in the Baltic countries, Professional Law Partnership "Jurevicius, Bartkus & Partners" has changed its name to "Baltic Legal Solutions Lithuania". It is one of the largest business law firms in Lithuania.

Gytis Kaminskas, Managing Partner of the Professional Law Partnership "Baltic Legal Solutions Lithuania" said: "The growth of our organisation along with new partners is part of the envisaged strategy. New partners are business law experts with years of experience in serving both domestic and foreign companies, thus we are convinced that the growth step will increase our possibilities to provide high quality legal services to current and future clients in Lithuania and abroad".

He noted that Professional Law Partnership "Baltic Legal Solutions Lithuania" is the member of Baltic Legal Solutions Association with law firms in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. The new name of the Professional Law Partnership was chosen placing focus on wider international undertakings, integrated service provision in the Baltic countries.

New Partners of the Partnership acted as legal advisers on the biggest deals in Lithuania, e.g. privatisation and sale of *Mažeikiu Nafta AB*, privatisation and initial share purchase of *Lietuvos Telekomas AB*, reorganisation of *Lietuvos Energija AB*. Partners of the law firm "Kazlauskas & Debesys Solvings" had also acted as legal advisers on large investment projects worth over 1 billion litas.

Ramunas Kazlauskas, Managing Partner of the law firm "Kazlauskas & Degešys Solvings", commented: "The combined experience, miscellaneous competence and capabilities of two law



firms will enable us to successfully manage complex and capacity intensive projects in the whole Baltic region”.

“We chose “Kazlauskas & Debesys Solvings” because of the firm’s long-term commitment to corporate, finance & banking as key practices. So far, we have regarded M&A, energy law as our strongest areas of practice. We acted as legal advisers on one of the largest and most significant deals for Lithuania – *Lietuvos Elektrine AB* and Spanish power utility *Iberdrola Ingeniería y Construcción, S.A.U.* signed a 328 million euro (approx. 1,13 billion litas) contract to build a combined heat and power gas fired turbine in Lithuania“, added Gytis Kaminskas, Managing Partner of “Baltic Legal Solutions Lithuania”.

In April 2010, a leading management system organisation in London “Lloyd’s Register Quality Assurance” (LRQA) granted the Professional Law Partnership the quality certificate ISO 9001:2008 proving that the Partnership had implemented the quality management system in compliance with international standards.

Upon merging, Professional Law Partnership “Baltic Legal Solutions Lithuania” includes over 50 lawyers, 10 of whom are partners. It is one of the largest business law firms in Lithuania.

For further information please contact:

Kristina Ščerbakovaitė
„Baltic Legal Solutions Lietuva“
Professional Law Partnership
DDI: +370 5 274 24 48
Kristina.Scerbakovaite@lt.blslawfirm.com
www.blslawfirm.com