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## Insolvency and Restructuring at CERHA HEMPEL:

### *What makes us special?*

**Insolvency and Restructuring is part  
of our tradition.**

CERHA HEMPEL is one of Austria's leading law firms, with an integrated practice in Central and Eastern Europe. With a team of approximately 200 lawyers, we guarantee our clients experience and expertise in all areas of corporate and commercial law, both in Austria and Central and Eastern Europe.

CERHA HEMPEL can look back on a long tradition of advising clients on insolvency cases, restructurings, reorganizations and outsourcing. We pride ourselves on our ability to guide interested parties through the process of acquiring businesses out of bankruptcy, and we also advise investors, banks and companies (at risk of going bankrupt) on reorganization and capital maintenance measures, as well as on questions regarding liability and avoidance.

We represent our clients out of court, for instance in out-of-court settlement negotiations, and, if need be, we also enforce their interests in court.

## Thomas Trettnak



Thomas has been with CERHA HEMPEL since 2004, made partner in 2010, and has headed the firm's insolvency and restructuring team since then. The practice covers Austria and six CEE countries. He specializes in creditor protection, distressed M&A (often in the PE field), the reorganization of legal entities in financial distress, and all legal aspects in pre-insolvency and insolvency scenarios.

Thomas is particularly renowned for cross-border matters, often for clients based in the US and the UK. He previously worked in-house in M&A for a listed European construction company, and also has transaction and legal project management experience.

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## Heinrich Foglar-Deinhardstein



Heinrich is another key partner in the practice. He has been with the firm for more than 15 years, and made partner in 2013. Heinrich focuses on high-end corporate and reorganization work, as well as cross-border transactions, private clients, trust law, and (distressed) M&A. He is actively involved in resolving various forms of disputes and reorganizations (often in distressed situations) and advises Austrian family businesses and private foundations.

Heinrich is a frequent organizer of and speaker at events as well as a gifted writer of a number of leading corporate commentaries and restructuring-related papers.

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## Holger Bielesz



Over the past 15 years, Holger – a renowned litigation partner at CERHA HEMPEL – has specialized in litigation and the resolution of commercial disputes, including insolvency and restructuring-related matters. His practice areas include in particular the representation of banks and financial institutions, including defending these clients in larger disputes involving a significant number of opponents.

Holger also represents institutional investors in bailing proceedings in Austria and other creditors in insolvency and restructuring-related matters in court.

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## Wolfgang Sindelar



Wolfgang is Senior Counsel at CERHA HEMPEL and a highly skilled insolvency and restructuring lawyer with many years' experience in insolvency law as well as neighboring fields, such as M&A and banking and finance. He has extensive experience in representing creditors in complex insolvency proceedings and insolvency-related litigation in various industries.

Wolfgang also acts as insolvency administrator for insolvent companies, and thereby brings a lot of additional experience to the team as well as the specific perspective of the administrator in insolvency cases.

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## Christoph Reiter



Christoph is a highly talented Senior Associate in the team, with nearly 10 years' experience, specializing in corporate and commercial matters and distressed M&A, with a particular focus on creditor and shareholder protection cases. Clients speak highly of both his technical and strategic skills.

Christoph is particularly renowned for cross-border work and specialist knowledge of how to protect the interests of creditors and business partners of insolvent counterparties, representing them both in and out of court with a high success rate.

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