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WILLKIE FRANKFURT BROADENS CORPORATE PRACTICE
WITH THE ARRIVAL OF GEORG LINDE

New York, NY (October 10, 2011) --- Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP today announced that Georg Linde will join the firm's Corporate and Financial Services Department as a partner in the Frankfurt office, effective November 1, 2011. Mr. Linde specializes in complex corporate/M&A and private equity transactions and has a particular focus in high-tech sectors including aerospace, IT/telecommunications, chemicals and renewable energies.

"We are delighted to welcome Georg to the firm," said Mario Schmidt, the head of Willkie's Frankfurt office. "His highly regarded competence in M&A and private equity deals, as well as his in-depth knowledge of the technology and energy sectors and broad corporate experience will greatly complement the diverse work of our team in Frankfurt."

Mr. Linde stated, "I look forward to joining one of the most active corporate teams in the German market."

Mr. Linde was formerly a partner at Clifford Chance, where he was the head of the global Aerospace & Defense Group.

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