

**PRESS RELEASE****bpv Huegel nominated for the CEE Award “Austrian Deal of the Year”**

*After winning the CEE Award last year bpv Huegel is again shortlisted for their work in 2018 on the EUR 760m package sale of CA Immo-shares by IMMOFINANZ to Starwood Capital.*

**19 February 2019.** bpv Huegel has been nominated for the “Austrian Deal of the Year 2018” for their work on the sale of the approx. 26% stake of the VSE listed CA Immobilien Anlagen AG (CA Immo) by IMMOFINANZ for a total price of approx. EUR 760m to Starwood Capital in July 2018. The transaction underlined the strength of bpv Huegel for transactional work combining corporate/M&A, capital market and take-over law know-how.

The sale to Starwood Capital was one of the highest value transactions in Austria in 2018 and the result of an international structured bidding process.

The shortlists were chosen by panels of experts on the ground in each CEE jurisdiction from over 200 submissions made by law firms all over Europe. The awards acknowledge the leading law firms advising on significant transactions in Central and Eastern Europe over the past year. The winners will be announced at the “Deal of the Year Awards Banquet” in Budapest on 28 March 2019.

The bpv Huegel team, which advised IMMOFINANZ on all legal aspects of the transaction, was led by Christoph Nauer (partner, corporate/M&A), supported by Thomas Lettau (partner, corporate/M&A), Gerald Schachner (partner, tax), Astrid Ablasser-Neuhuber (partner, competition), Holger Steinborn (corporate/M&A), Daniel Reiter (corporate/M&A, capital markets), Roland Juill (corporate/M&A, capital markets) and Julia Nicolussi (corporate/M&A, capital markets).

**About bpv Huegel**

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