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bpv Braun Partners now offering mediation services

bpv BRAUN PARTNERS has begun offering clients mediation services, with excellent facilities and space for mediation meetings in its offices.

These services are available to a wide range of clients, in particular those facing disputes in the following areas:

- Real estate – construction, purchase, sale, lease and other matters involving real estate
- Corporations, relations between shareholders, corporate governance and management
- M&A, Joint Ventures
- Restructuring and insolvency
- Energy industry
- Financing
- Logistics, transport
- Insurance
- Employment
- IT
- Intellectual property
- Contractor/client relations in all economic sectors

Mediation is a method of settling disputes out of court with the participation of an independent third party (a mediator). Mediation has a long history and is becoming more widespread in the Czech Republic as well. Mediation is a structured process wherein the mediator provides expert assistance to the parties in communicating in order to reach an amicable settlement in the form of a mediation agreement. A court-approved mediation agreement is a legally enforceable document. The advantage of mediation is its informality and flexibility. In a successful mediation, both parties should reach an agreement with no winners or losers as is often the case in lengthy court cases.

As one of the methods of alternative dispute resolution, mediation adds to bpv BRAUN PARTNERS' strong position in litigation and out-of-court dispute resolution (such as arbitration).

Mediation will be handled at **bpv BRAUN PARTNERS** by David Vosol, attorney and partner at the Prague office, who is certified as an official mediator by the Czech Bar Association and registered in the official list of accredited mediators kept by the Ministry of Justice. His years of experience in Corporate, M&A, Joint Ventures, project financing, and litigation and arbitration, along with his unique

combination of legal and economic expertise, all help him to guide the most complicated disputes to a successful mediation agreement. His services are available to clients in his native Czech as well as in English or German.

One of his mediation cases involved a complicated settlement between two partners in a joint venture valued at over CZK 50 million.

About us:

bpv BRAUN PARTNERS is one of the leading international law firms in the Czech Republic and Slovakia. It is also a founding member of bpv LEGAL, an international alliance of law firms operating in Central and Eastern Europe. Our team consists of more than 35 lawyers and its clients, key Czech and foreign companies, receive comprehensive services in many areas of law. The key expertise of bpv BRAUN PARTNERS includes merger and acquisition, corporate law, real property law and also tax advisory services. Our experts also deal with copyright and IT law, competition law, energy and labour law, and represent their clients before Czech and international courts and arbitration procedures. See more at www.bpv-bp.com.

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