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Professor Zetzsche is the author of more than 200 publications, including two of the leading treatises on collective and alternative investment law and regulation: “The Alternative Investment Fund Directive” (AIFMD), 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. 2015, and “Prinzipien der kollektiven Vermögensanlage” (transl. Principles of Collective Investment), 2015. His latest book is titled “Grenzüberschreitende Finanzdienstleistungen” (transl. Cross-border Financial Services), 2018 (co-edited with Professor Matthias Lehmann), published by Mohr Siebeck Publ. Further, he functions as co-editor of the leading commentary on the German stock corporation act, the Kölner Kommentar zum Aktiengesetz, 4<sup>th</sup> ed. 2019-22 (20,000 pp.) and co-edits a major commentary on the German Collective Investment Schemes Act (“KAGB”), 2019. He is currently working on a book on FinTech law and policy, together with Professors Ross Buckley (UNSW Sydney) and Douglas Arner (HKU).

Professor Zetzsche has advised, inter alia, the Financial Stability Board, the European Commission, the European Parliament, the European Securities & Market Authority (“ESMA”), the Hong Kong Monetary Authority, the German Secretary of Justice, the German Secretary of Finance, the Asian Development Bank, the Islamic Development Bank and the Alliance for Financial Inclusion, as well as the various national governments, on FinTech and RegTech, financial/banking law, shareholder rights, corporate governance, securities and investment law, as well as financial inclusion. He also functions as an independent board member for regulated investment companies, with a focus on FinTech, cross-border private equity and venture capital, as well as a regulated family office. Since February 2019 he is a member of ESMA’s standing Consultative Working Group on Financial Innovations.

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