Christoph Lang

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Christoph Lang is chair of Pestalozzi and heads Pestalozzi's Corporate / M&A Group in Zurich. His preferred practice areas are corporate law with a particular focus on corporate governance, M&A, Swiss and European antitrust law and insurance law. He represents major Swiss and multinational corporations in domestic and cross-border M&A transactions and joint ventures, and frequently advises clients on policy and governance issues.

Christoph Lang studied law at the University of Berne (Dr.iur., summa cum laude, 1999) and Columbia University School of Law (LL.M., Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, 2000). He was admitted to the bar in 1997. Before joining Pestalozzi in 2000, he was a teaching and research assistant for two years in the University of Berne's Corporate and Commercial Law Department. Christoph G. Lang regularly publishes in his fields of expertise. He is a member of the Zurich, Swiss and International Bar Associations, as well as the ''Studienvereinigung Kartellrecht'' and Winner of the ILO Client Choice Award 2013 for M&A in Switzerland.

Market Perception

Christoph Lang is a very experienced colleague, amazing. (The Legal 500, 2026)

Christoph Lang is an outstanding lawyer dealing with complex corporate and M&A matters. (Chambers Global, 2026)

His very profound legal knowledge combined with exceptional client relationship management makes him an amazing legal counsel to work with. (Chambers Global, 2026)

He is an amazing lawyer. He is one of those people who is ahead of the team. I could call him at any point on the weekend and he'll answer. (Chambers & Partners, 2024)

A joy to work with. smart, knowledgeable and business-minded. Focusing on the important things, knows to differentiate between relevant and less relevant. (The Legal 500, 2022)

Business-minded and very knowledgeable not only in competition matters, but also in M&A, a combination which is rare. (The Legal 500, 2022)

Christoph Lang is knowledgeable, easy to work with, practical. (The Legal 500, 2022)

Depths and breadths of his knowledge that, combined with an always relaxed attitude, calms the atmosphere. (Chambers & Partners, 2021)

Practical and business focussed; very personable and approachable. (IFLR1000, 2021)

Career

2006	Partner at Pestalozzi
2000	Associate at Pestalozzi Columbia University, New York City: LL.M. (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar)
1999	University of Berne: Dr. iur. (summa cum laude)
1997	Teaching & Research Assistant at the University of Berne, Corporate and Commercial Law Department Bar Admission: Switzerland

Languages

- German
- English
- French
- Italian

Practice Areas

- ESG
- Blockchain & Crypto Assets
- Capital Markets
- Compliance
- Corporate / M&A
- Insurance
- Life Sciences
- Private Equity & Venture Capital
- Competition & Trade

Membership

- Swiss Bar Association (SAV)
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- American Bar Association (ABA)
- International Bar Association (IBA)
- Studienvereinigung Kartellrecht