



HVK Stevens

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YOUR TRUSTED ADVISER IN THE NETHERLANDS AND LUXEMBOURG

FOR PRIVATE EQUITY SERVICES

HVK Stevens is an independent, international firm providing tax, legal and consultancy advice in the Netherlands and Luxembourg. HVK Stevens was founded in 2011 by seasoned professionals with extensive experience gained at the 'Big-4' accountancy firms and internationally-renowned law firms. Since then, HVK Stevens has grown into a full-service firm with over 50 specialist advisers.

PRIVATE EQUITY SERVICES

HVK Stevens exists to offer clients a custom-designed alternative to the bigger firms. HVK Stevens is a trusted boardroom adviser with a strong emphasis on offering practical, high quality advice. Our client's interests are always our number one priority.

HVK Stevens also contributes to the growth and success of a wide variety of clients by using connections within its network (for example, linking family-owned businesses with private equity and private wealth). The different backgrounds of HVK Stevens' professionals create an extensive, broadly-based domestic and in-

ternational network of individuals, businesses, financiers, government organisations and others.

HVK Stevens sets itself apart by being innovative and providing out-of-the-box advice. As a co-creator of innovative ideas, HVK Stevens adds value to its clients' businesses.

HVK Stevens is located in Amsterdam, with a satellite office in Luxembourg, where services are provided by fiscal advisers working together with legal experts. Our advisers have solid training, extensive experience and high ambitions.

We have a wide range of specialisations that cover all facets of national and international tax law, including corporate income tax, personal income tax and dividend tax. Our clients are mainly corporates, private equity firms, ultra-high net worth individuals, charities, trusts and other foundations.

HVK Stevens can also assist in preparing transfer pricing reports in line with OECD/BEPS standards and local requirements (such as Section 56bis of the Luxembourg Income Tax Act/Circulaire No. 56/1 – 56bis of 27 December 2016 and Section 8b of the Dutch Corporate Income Tax Act). Our combined legal and tax practice means we are also well placed to assist clients to translate the outcome of transfer pricing reports into legal documents/agreements.



We have extensive experience in the following fields:

CORPORATE/PRIVATE EQUITY TRANSACTION

- Mergers and acquisitions (M&A), management buy-ins/ buy-outs;
- Cross-border mergers/conversions (transfer of seat);
- Implementing tax-efficient holding and finance structures (including transfer pricing reports and documentation);
- Joint ventures, corporate governance;
- Fund structuring; and
- Employee benefit plans/stock option plans.

CORPORATE MAINTENANCE

- Legalisation/notarisation;
- Drafting legal documents (CPECs, ISPECs, etc.);
- Incorporation;
- Amendment of articles of association (implementing different classes of shares);
- Liquidations;
- Repurchase of shares (including by reduction of nominal value); and
- Capital increase.

Within HVK Stevens, Willem Gerbers (corporate law), Joost van den Berg (tax) and Jac Veeger (consulting) specialise in advising private equity firms in Luxembourg and the Netherlands. They have many years of relevant experience in the Netherlands and Luxembourg, having worked for international firms in both countries setting up tax-efficient holding and finance structures to serve as investment platforms for equity and debt investments.

Both the Netherlands and Luxembourg are leading, reputable jurisdictions for investment structures that allow easy access to capital markets, offer a highly skilled workforce and have the necessary financial infrastructure (banks, law firms, fund administrators etc.) and a flexible (and often tax neutral) legal framework.

Please do not hesitate to contact any of us if you would like to learn more about our firm and how we can assist you:



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