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Professional Background

- Attorney-at-Law at SORAINEN in Riga since April of 2004.
- Partner and regional head of the Tax & Customs Team.
- Portfolio of tax and legal clients includes over 200 local and international businesses.
- Recommended practitioner in the tax area by many international publications, including The Legal 500, Chambers Europe, PLC Which lawyer, Tax Directors Handbook, Expert Guides and Best Lawyers.
- Education at the University of Latvia, Latvia (LLB, LLM) and specialized in professional courses by KPMG and the International Bureau of Fiscal Documentation, the International Fiscal Association, ERA, VAT Forum, and Riga Graduate School of Law.

Proven Track Record

- Practising law with focus on tax & customs since 1995 at KPMG Latvia up to 2004 and at SORAINEN.
- Membership at Latvian Bar Association (Deputy Chairman of Tax and Finance Commission), International Fiscal Association, International Bar Association, AIJA (Association Internationale des Jeunes Avocats) Tax Law Commission, VAT Forum, and the International VAT Group VAT Europe.

Capabilities

- Expertise in all key tax and customs areas in the Baltic States and Belarus, including
 - Tax and customs advice and optimization
 - Advance ruling requests of Transfer pricing compliance
 - Local and cross-border mergers

- Managing the effective tax rate
- Market entry strategies and structuring, focusing on the new Baltic holding opportunities
- Permanent establishment risks
- Input VAT deductibility optimization
- Special economic zones and free ports.
- Tax and customs disputes at all levels.
- Tax due diligence and local tax compliance reviews.