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## **GÖRG advises T-Systems on long-term partnership with Google Cloud for the launch of sovereign cloud solutions**

T-Systems International GmbH has commissioned GÖRG Partnerschaft von Rechtsanwälten mbB to advise on the signing of a long-term partnership with Google Cloud. The aim of the strategic cooperation is to establish a sovereign cloud eco-system for Germany (with the option of also serving Austria and Switzerland later), which enables companies to make sovereign use of cloud resources. In doing so, the cloud services are not only to meet the high data protection requirements that European companies have to comply with after the so-called "Schrems II" ruling of the ECJ when using cloud services of the large US providers, but also to support customers in implementing their requirements for the sovereignty of their data, i.e. control over access to the data.

From April 2022, a sovereign cloud will be available on the German market under the name "T-Systems Sovereign Cloud powered by Google Cloud". As a joint product of T-Systems and Google Cloud, the cloud will offer, among other things, external key and identity management operated by T-Systems. Sovereignty will also be achieved through audits of the hardware, software and security measures used in the Google data centres.

A GÖRG team led by Frankfurt partner Dr. Florian Schmitz provided T-Systems with IT contract law advice and expertise during the agreement of the partnership.

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### **About T-Systems**

With around 28,000 employees worldwide and annual revenues of EUR 4.0 billion (2021), T-Systems is one of the leading providers of digital services. The Deutsche Telekom subsidiary is headquartered in Germany and has a presence in Europe as well as in selected core markets and strategic production locations. T-Systems can provide a global production and supply chain to companies operating worldwide.

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