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Foreign Country Seminar – Real Estate Financing and Restructuring USA (New York)

Frankfurt, 25. November 2025, 09:30 – 17:30

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09:00 – 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 09:40 Welcome and Introduction

Ulrich Carl, Verband deutscher Pfandbriefbanken (vdp)

Mario Thurner, Center of Legal Competence (CLC)

09:40 – 10:20 Commercial Real Estate Market

Nina Schmidt, LL.M. (in English language)

10:20 – 13:00 I. Overview of mortgage loan documents, including mezzanine loans

(in between coffee break)

- a) Mortgage loans
 - Loan agreement
 - Promissory note
 - Mortgage, deed of trust, security deed
 - Assignment of leases and rents
 - Assignment of management agreement and subordination of management fees
 - Guarantees (non-recourse carve-out guarantee, carry guarantee, payment guarantee, completion guarantee)
 - Environmental indemnity
 - Account control agreement, cash management agreement, lockbox agreement

- b) Mezzanine capital in the financing structure
- c) Mortgageable property rights in the USA
 - o Fee simple
 - Ground leases
 - Condominiums
- d) Due diligence and title insurance
 - Due diligence
 - o Title insurance
 - Closing process
- e) Loan syndication, loan assignments, role of the administrative agent

Dr. Sebastian Kaufmann (in English language)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 14:30 II. German Covered Bonds – Protecting the priority of Pfandbrief creditors

- Priority of Pfandbrief creditors
- o Administration of the cover pool by the Pfandbrief monitor (Treuhänder)
- o 10% limit pursuant to Section 13 (1) sentence 2, 2nd half-sentence PfandBG
- o Treatment of U.S. cover pool assets
- o Protection through the so-called trust model
- Implementation of the trust model
- o Recognition of the trust model by BAFin and Moody's

Dr. Sebastian Kaufmann (in English language)

14:30 – 16:30 III. Restructuring of US mortgage loans

(in between coffee break)

- a) Toolbox for restructuring US real estate loans, enforcement of real estate collateral (mortgage, deed of trust) enforcement of personal collateral (guarantees, bad boy guarantees), deed in a box
- b) Implementation of workout strategies in syndicated mortgage loans, voting rights, tax issues
- Acquiring title to the real property in satisfaction of the mortgage loan (real estate owned or REO property), deed in lieu of foreclosure, governing documents of the REO entity
- d) Brief overview of insolvency proceedings, in particular Chapter 11

Dr. Sebastian Kaufmann (in English language)

16:30 – 17:00 IV. Inclusion of U.S. mortgage loans in the cover pool for covered mortgage bonds (Pfandbriefe)

Dr. Sebastian Kaufmann (in English language)

17:00 – 17:30 Discussion & Closing

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