

Press Release

BRYAN CAVE LEIGHTON PAISNER (RUSSIA) WELCOMES STRONG ADDITION TO ITS TAX TALENT PORTFOLIO

Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (Russia), formerly Goltsblat BLP in Russia, announces an expansion of its Tax Practice, with the joining of three Senior Associates **Tatiana Kirgetova**, **Dmitry Kirillov** and **Dmitry Paramonov**, and Associate **Denis Kozhevnikov** in response to the growing client demand for tax services.

Tatiana Kirgetova has spent over 25 years dealing with tax and customs legislation and currency regulation. With a focus on tax law, she advises European and international companies on a broad range of Russian and international taxation matters and litigates clients' tax disputes. **Tatiana** is recommended in Tax by Best Lawyers editions 2012, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 and for many years has been recognised as a recommended tax practitioner in Russia by Chambers Global, Chambers Europe and The Legal 500.

Dmitry Kirillov has acted for clients on a variety of tax and legal matters for over 20 years, focusing on client representation at all phases of tax audits and in criminal tax investigations. He also supports foreign companies with a presence on the Russian market on various structuring aspects and contributes to DD checks on real estate in share acquisitions and other transactions. **Dmitry** has advised clients on civil, corporate and employment law matters, personal data protection, etc., and is a leading tax lawyer in Russia according to Best Lawyers.

Dmitry Paramonov specialises in taxation of high-net-worth and ultra-high-net-worth private clients. He also advises both Russian and international companies on various tax aspects of their operations in Russia, international tax planning matters, application of international tax treaties and assessment of risks inherent in transactions. **Dmitry** is recommended as a top tax law professional by such international directories as The Legal 500, World Tax and Best Lawyers.

Denis Kozhevnikov focuses on settling tax disputes, both in and out-of-court, and on tax consulting projects related to transactional management and tax risk analysis. As a member of top law firms, **Denis** has acted for major Russian entities across a range of industries, such as energy, oil & gas, postal services, etc.

Headed by Partner **Evgeny Timofeev**, the Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner Russia Tax Practice is a leading tax team on the Russian legal market. Last year, following completion of some very complex and innovative mandates in various sectors, the team collected a number of accolades, ranking high in international legal directories, including Chambers & Partners, The Legal 500, World Tax and Best Lawyers and making it to Tier 1 for Tax Advice according to Pravo.ru-300, a leading legal ranking in Russia.

The Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner Russia Tax Team currently has 21 lawyers, including **Sergey Likhachev**, Associate Director, **Anna Zelenskaya**, Counsel and Head of Tax Advisory, and **Alexander Erasov**, Counsel and Head of Tax Dispute Resolution, Tax Crime Defence Group.

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Evgeny Timofeev, Partner and Head of Tax at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (Russia), comments on his team scale-up: *"This team reinforcement and the new appointments could not have come at a better time. With the arrival of new lawyers, our Tax Practice has strongly boosted its position in both tax advisory and tax litigation, so we are now best placed to provide excellent client service in a challenging economic environment and to cope with the most sophisticated tasks that demand versatile knowledge of Russian tax law and the knack of picking a team capable of generating creative solutions in response to client queries"*.

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Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP law firm was formed in 2018 as a result of one of the biggest transatlantic mergers in the history of the legal business: the merger between the leading international law firms Bryan Cave LLP (U.S.) and Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP (UK), including its Russian practice Goltsblat BLP. Today Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP is one of the biggest global law firms (among the top 50), uniting more than 1,400 lawyers in 31 offices in 11 countries. Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (Russia) LLP provides comprehensive legal support for any largescale deals, projects and disputes in any jurisdiction, whenever and wherever clients might need it. Strong global practices and fully-integrated international teams in M&A, real estate, financial services and dispute resolution. The firm represents 40% of the Fortune 500, 30 of the world's top 50 banks (by revenue) and 12 of the world's biggest sovereign wealth funds.

About Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner Russia

The Russian practice of **Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner (formerly Goltsblat BLP in Russia)** is a well-established, stable team, one of the biggest on the Russian market; built up over more than 20 years, it is a recognised leader in Russia. The history of the BCLP Russian office includes the merger, in 2009, between one of the biggest teams on the Russian market, led by Andrey Goltsblat, and the leading UK law firm Berwin Leighton Paisner (BLP). The Moscow office has more than 100 lawyers qualified under Russian, English and US law (State of New York). Five times winner of Law Firm of the Year in Russia since 2009, including Chambers Europe Awards 2010, 2014 and 2015; The Legal Business Awards (The Legal 500) 2010; The Lawyer European Awards 2014. Leading positions and profound Russian law expertise with the absolute majority of the practices in Russia recognised as market leaders / top-ranked by leading national and international rankings (The Legal 500, Chambers&Partners, Best Lawyers, Mergermarket, Pravo.ru-300, etc.). www.bcplaw.ru