

## Dentons expands its Russian tax and customs practice

*Three tax and customs lawyers join Dentons from Pepeliaev Group, White & Case and Deloitte*

Moscow, October 1, 2015 – Dentons announced today that three tax and customs lawyers Gennady Timonichev, Hava Kadyrova and Kristina Baleva have joined its Russian tax and customs practice as associates in the Moscow office.

Timonichev has joined as a senior associate from Pepeliaev Group, Kadyrova has joined as an associate from White & Case and Baleva has joined as an associate from Deloitte.



Gennady Timonichev focuses on general corporate and international tax law, transfer pricing, and tax litigation. Gennady has extensive experience advising major Russian and international companies on a wide range of issues relating to tax law, including in the area of transfer pricing, intragroup transactions, securities transactions and forward financial instruments, as well as M&A transactions.



Hava Kadyrova focuses on Russian and international taxation. Her experience includes tax advisory work for Russian and international clients in M&A transactions, deals on acquisition and disposal of assets, corporate restructuring and reorganization projects, financing projects, real estate projects in Russia and stock option plans.



Kristina Baleva focuses on advising Russian and international companies in customs regulation, including analysis of future transactions and contracts from the perspective of possible customs risks, and the efficiency of using the permissible customs tools, preparing recommendations on how to apply customs procedures, measures of customs tariff and non-tariff regulation of foreign trade.

**Dzhangar Dzhachinov**, partner and head of Dentons' Russian Tax and Customs practice, commented: *"Fast, high quality, reasonable advice—we base our work with clients on these fundamentals. This approach demands maximum dedication and enthusiasm, and enables us to provide a colossal volume of services every year. In 2014 we completed more than 4,000 projects for 286 clients, and in 2015 our practice showed the highest rate of growth in our Firm's history. For a long time we sought new lawyers who are able to match our high standards; in 2015 that became our primary objective. Thus I am pleased that such talented professionals as Gennady, Hava and Kristina, who are without exaggeration rising stars in tax and customs advising, have joined our team."*

The tax and customs practice at Dentons is one of the leading practices in Russia, ranked **Band 1** by *Chambers Global* and *Chambers Europe* 2015. The practice provides clients with the full spectrum of **tax services**, including: international tax advice and structuring domestic tax, advice on

deoffshorization issues, transfer pricing, contract tax review, tax restructurings, tax due diligence / self-checks, tax M&A support, tax dispute resolution, domestic accounting advice, tax legislative work, individual tax planning and compliance, tax risk management, tax incentives, real estate tax, and **customs services**, including customs compliance health checks, supply chain structuring and goods import modeling with the subsequent implementation of the developed supply structure, ensuring the declaration process complies with general customs requirements, advising on the correct determination of customs value, advising on the classification of imported goods, obtaining the preliminary approval of customs authorities for the classification of goods, etc.

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