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Dr. Barbara Sommer regularly advises both national and international clients in all aspects of IT law as well as data protection law and Intellectual Property with a focus on the IT, the E-Commerce and the Industry 4.0 (cyber physical systems) sector.

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### Practice Areas

- Data Protection Law
- IT Law
- Copyright Law
- Competition Law

### Languages

- German (native language)
- Englisch
- Spanish

### Memberships

- Rechtsanwaltskammer Karlsruhe
- Member of the Committee for Strategy and Network Development of Netzwerk Smart Production e.V

### Education and Experience

- University of Mannheim and Università degli Studi di Ferrara (Italien)
- Internship at a law firm specialized on Industrial Property in Valencia (Spain)
- Doctorate on IT and copyright law with Prof. Dr. Louis Pahlow
- Research assistant in an interdisciplinary research project on software development contracts funded by the federal state of Baden Württemberg (Germany)
- Legal assistant in the IT Practice Group of an international law firm in Frankfurt (Main)
- Partner and co-founder of a law firm specialized on IT Law in Mannheim
- Since 2016 at Weitnauer Rechtsanwälte
- Since 2018 Lectureship at DHBW Mannheim (IT law in the study course Business Informatics)

## Speaking Engagements *(in German)*

- The legislator is getting serious – Many new requirements for security and privacy, Mannheim, October 2019
- IT and data security: Which legal requirements apply to my company?, Mannheim, October 2018
- Man or machine - who acts, who is liable?, Mannheim, October 2018
- Are we (still) legally compliant? The most important To Dos according to GDPR, Mannheim, June 2018
- IT and Data Protection – How to design my business model and my product compliant with data protection, Mannheim, April 2016
- IT Law – Data protection, copyright and general liability risks in the area of software and internet, Heidelberg, October 2015
- Tips for a legally compliant website, Frankenthal (Pfalz), November 2013
- Legal certainty in online marketing, Dortmund, Mai 2013
- Contract law and data protection issues in the field of cloud computing, Mannheim, September 2012
- Written warnings instead of new clients? Legal challenges of promotion and acquisition, Darmstadt, September 2012
- geschützter Software nach Umsetzung der Enforcement-Richtlinie, Cologne 2013.
- Verfügbarkeit und Datenschutz im Cloud-Computing (with Jochen Morsbach), in: Ad Legendum, ed. 3/2013, pp. 179 ff.
- Beitrag "Die virtuellen Fallstricke" zu rechtlichen Risiken beim Online-Marketing, in: Econo Rhein-Neckar, Wirtschaftsmagazin für Entscheider, ed. 2/2013, p.71.
- Datenschutz im digitalen Dschungel, in: CRATE, Magazin über Spiele-Apps auf iOS und Android, ed. 2/2012.
- Conference Paper: Towards Successful Subcontracting for Software in Small to Medium-sized Enterprises (with Prof. Dr. Andreas Podelski, Dr. Bernd Westphal, Daniel Dietsch, Sergio Feo-Arenis, Prof. Dr. Louis Pahlow, Jochen Morsbach, Dr. Anke Fuchs Dr. Christine Meierhöfer), in: RELAW 2012, pp. 42-51 (IEEE Xplore).

## Admissions

Admitted to the bar in 2009 (Karlsruhe)

## Publications *(in German and English)*

- Regular publication of blog posts on the Weitnauer Blog:  
<https://www.techlawgermany.net/>
- Chapter J.1 und J.2 (together with Ferdinand von Stumm) in Beck'sches Formularbuch IT-Recht (publishers Weitnauer/Mueller-Stöfen), ed. 4. 2017.
- Beweisbeschaffung im einstweiligen Rechtsschutz – Die Vorbereitung von Verletzungsverfahren urheber- und patentrechtlich

