



Dear clients!

Another year comes to an end – for us an eventful and exciting year.

After many years of stability, this year came with a few changes in personnel.

Birgit Dundler and Alexander Trombitas left our company to jump into self-employment. Franziska Ohrfandl, who had been working as an accountant, decided, after a trip to Africa, to spend a year as an au pair in the US. Maria Prand, who had been working in administration, has received an offer to become the office assistant in her home town Langau and she decided to take it.

We thank all of them for the oftentimes, long-term cooperation and wish them the best of luck!

Newly hired is Ms. Melanie Bock. She is 25 years old and lives in Unterpfaffendorf. She worked in a tax consultant office in Vienna where her responsibilities included accounting and payroll accounting.

Furthermore, Mag. Markus Niedermeyer joined our team in November. He is 35 years old, from Hollabrunn and worked in Korneuburg and Vienna to date. Together with Mag. Rodlauer and of course myself, he will be available to advise on any tax issues in the future.

The administration office gains a new member, Katharina Stefal, who we have known for a while since she did two summer internships with us.

Karin Wurm and Eva Püringer have come back from maternity leave and are working with us again parttime.

And last but not least we sincerely congratulate our Lisa Brandner who has successfully completed her accountancy exam.

As every year, we may also present you with the new brochure containing alterations in the areas of taxes, company law and social security. As you can see, this brochure has not become thinner and the many alterations and innovations aren't making life easier for us. Therefore, constant training courses are especially important for our employees. This year we have invested a lot in training for our team in order for their know-how to be on the highest level and for them to be able to manage all challenges of the job.

This year we have also focused on the audit of wage-dependent levies (GPLA) and we strongly advise to pay special attention to this field. Even small violations, most of which could be avoided, are fined rigorously. Further key activities were consultations concerning company acquisitions and company sales, due diligence processes and increasingly, the topic of transfer pricing guidelines.

We are confident that with our new team, we are wellequipped for the upcoming tasks and look forward to further cooperation in the years ahead.

Once again, we have abstained from sending out Christmas cards and gifts in order to support social projects like the Red Cross and an initiative to help homeless people.

Let me conclude by thanking most warmly our employees for their dedication.

Of course, I would also like to thank you, our clients for the cooperation and the confidence, which some have in us since a quarter of a century.

On behalf of the whole team we wish you a peaceful and contemplative Christmas and a happy and successful year 2018!

Yours faithfully Georg Stöger and the entire Stöger & Partner team

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