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Expertise:

Andreas Bohrer is Group General Counsel and Company Secretary at Lonza Group AG. Previously with Novartis, UBS, law firms in Zurich/Geneva and New York. *Titularprofessor* at Zurich University, lecturer on Corporate Governance and Capital Markets law.

Practice Areas:

General Counsel roles in Pharma, Banking and Asset Management. Board and Corporate Governance experience. M&A/Transactions in US and Switzerland.

Professional Experience:

2015- Lonza	<p><i>Group General Counsel and Company Secretary</i>, Lonza Group (Swiss SMI® blue chip company with dual listing), reporting to the CEO. Acquisition / integration of Capsugel.</p> <p>In charge of Legal, Ethics&Compliance and IP, Enterprise Risk Management (ERM), Environment/Health/Safety (EHS) and Sustainability/ESG, Insurance Management.</p> <p>Leading the Lonza global Coronavirus Task Force, since 2020.</p>
2010-15 Novartis	<p>2014-2015, <i>General Counsel</i> and member of the Executive Committee, Novartis Animal Health Division. In charge of Legal, Compliance and IP globally. Integration into Eli Lilly & Co.</p> <p>2010-2014, <i>Head Legal Transactions</i>, Novartis Group: M&A, VC, Antitrust, Capital Markets & Corporate Law, Procurement, IT & Outsourcing, Social Media, HR. USD 50bn acquisition of Alcon by Novartis.</p>
2003-10 UBS	<p>2009-2010, <i>General Counsel Switzerland</i>, UBS AG. Member of Executive Committee UBS Switzerland.</p> <p>2004-2009, <i>General Counsel and Chief Risk Officer EMEA</i>, UBS Global Asset Management. Member of the European Management Committee.</p> <p>2003-2004, Executive Director with UBS Group Legal in Zurich, in charge of the UBS own-account M&A.</p>
1999-2003	<p><i>Corporate attorney with Lenz & Staehelin</i> in Zurich and Geneva.</p>
1995-1997	<p>Trainee/associate (incl. bar exam).</p>
1998-99	<p><i>Corporate associate with Covington & Burling</i> (Howard Smith & Levin) in New York, USA.</p>

Education:

2019	INSEAD, Finance for Executives, Paris
2011	Harvard Executive Forum, USA
2011	<i>Titularprofessor</i> , University of Zurich
2008	INSEAD, IEP, Paris/Singapore
2004	Habilitation, University of Zurich
1997/98	LL.M. (NYU); Fulbright Scholar
1995-97	<i>Dr. iur.</i> ; bar exam; <i>lic. iur.</i> , Zurich

Board-related Experience:

- Company Secretary of **Lonza**, a Swiss SMI® blue chip company with dual listing (for Board/EC).
- IMD Board Education Program, Lausanne 2015
- Board member in banking and non-financial sector (including venture incubator)
- Member of various Group subsidiary boards in the financial and non-financial sector.

Extra-curricular activities, networks:

- Board member of **Economiesuisse**, the top-level association of Swiss economy, since 2021.
- Board member of **Scienceindustries**, Association of life science companies in Switzerland, 2019-
- Board member of **SwissHoldings**, the Association of multinational companies in Switzerland, 2015-2017. Co-Chair Corporate Law Committee, 2018-
- Pro bono Trustee, *Stiftung Europainstitut* of the University of Basel; Co-Chair, *Internationale Bach-Gesellschaft (IBG)* Schaffhausen. Member, Rotary Schaffhausen
- Alumnus, American-Swiss *Young Leaders Conference*, 2009; *Stars – the Symposium for Leaders of the Next Generation*, 2012.
- Military: 1st lieutenant, intelligence officer, air transport squadron, Swiss Air Force (until 2005)
- Languages: German and English (fluent); French and Italian (intermediate); Chinese (Mandarin) and Russian (beginner).

Publications & Academic activities:

- **Max Planck Institute**, Hamburg, yearly German/Austrian/Swiss corporate and capital market law expert symposium, since 2010
- **Harvard & Stanford Law Schools**, USA, 2009 *International Junior Faculty Forum*
- **Habilitation thesis** „Corporate Governance and Capital Market Transactions“, Zurich 2005
- **Ph.D. thesis** on *Unfriendly Takeovers* under Swiss law, Zurich 1997
- Winner of a **First Prize of the Zurich University Prize Institute**, 1993.

