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David Vasella is a partner on the Information Technology, Intellectual Property and Competition team. He advises and represents Swiss and international companies in all industries and at all stages of growth on questions concerning data and technology law. He specialises in data use, setting up platform models, data and technology-related contracts, data security matters, cloud projects, data protection compliance (including implementation projects and audits), and artificial intelligence. He regularly gives talks and writes publications on his areas of expertise, for example on datenrecht.ch, a Swiss platform on data law.

After graduating from the University of Fribourg in 2002 with a degree in law, David Vasella was admitted to the Zurich bar in 2004 and went on to receive his doctorate from the University of Zurich in 2011, for which he was awarded the highest distinction as well as the Prof. Walther Hug prize and the Issekutz prize. David Vasella is the founder and editor of datenrecht.ch, an online platform for data law. He is a certified information privacy professional and manager (CIPP/E, CIPM), Fellow of Information Privacy (FIP) and AI Governance Professional (AIGP).

David Vasella is listed in international rankings as a leading expert in data and technology (Chambers: “He is absolutely stellar when it comes to data protection”; Who's Who Legal: “revered as the ‘go-to person for data protection’, with a wealth of experience in compliance matters”; Legal500: “committed and pragmatic” and an “outstanding lawyer with excellent analytical skills, a wealth of legal expertise, high client-focus. David is responsive, pragmatic and fully committed to serve his clients. Besides, he is a very likeable chap”).

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