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Recognitions
- The Legal 500: Key Lawyer in Regulatory, Compliance and Investigations since 2025
- Lexology Index: Thought Leader in Business Crime Defence (Individuals / Corporates) since 2020; Recommended in Investigations since 2020
- LMG Europe Rising Stars Award in White Collar Crime 2019
- LMG Expert Guides: Rising Star in White Collar Crime from 2015 to 2022
- LMG Expert Guides: White Collar Crime from 2020 to 2022

Languages
German, French, English

Selected Publications
- GIR Know how: Securities & Related Investigations 2020 – Swiss Chapter
- Basler Kommentar Verwaltungsstrafrecht (VStrR), Artikel 71 f.
- Die Exportkontrolle im Fokus der Strafbehörden
- Strafrechtliche Verantwortlichkeit für Sanktionsverstösse im Unternehmen
- Outsourcing - eine unternehmensstrafrechtliche Untersuchung

Roland Ryser is a Partner in our Dispute Resolution Group in Zurich and a member of our White-Collar Crime and Compliance Team.

Expertise
- Dispute Resolution
- Internal Corporate Investigations
- White-Collar Crime and Compliance
- Sanctions Group

Experience
- Extensive experience in advising and representing individuals and corporate clients as defense counsel in regulatory and business crime investigations
- Assisted clients in mutual legal and administrative assistance proceedings
- Advised clients in anti-money laundering, anti-bribery and trade compliance matters
- Represented companies as private claimants in criminal investigations for fraud, misappropriation, mismanagement and bribery

Career

2026	Partner at Schellenberg Wittmer
2018	Counsel at Schellenberg Wittmer
2011	Consultant at Piper Alderman in Sydney (secondment)
2009	Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer
2007	Trainee Lawyer at Schellenberg Wittmer
2004	Teaching and Research Assistant at University of Zurich

Education

2009	Bar Admission in Switzerland
2006	Dr. iur., University of Zurich
2004	Master of Law, University of Zurich

Additional Professional Activities
- Author of various publications on business criminal and criminal procedure law
- Member of various professional associations including the Zurich and Swiss Bar Associations, the International Bar Association (IBA), the Defence Counsel's Section of the Zurich Bar and the Swiss Society of Criminal Law
- Regular speaker at conferences and seminars