

PRESS INFORMATION

BHF-BANK hoists flag in Ruhr Area

New office opened in Essen.

Essen, 29 June 2010. BHF-BANK's new office in Essen has taken up operations with a team of six private banking advisors. Headed by André Weber, the team will cater for wealthy private clients, entrepreneurs and their families in new premises located at Rüttenscheider Strasse 199.

"I see a bright future and outstanding prospects ahead for our new office in the heart of the Ruhr Area. This region, which has once again become one of Germany's strongest economic areas, has gone through an impressive structural change that has been driven, not least, by entrepreneurs and entrepreneurial families owning medium-sized companies. With our range of tailor-made advisory and financing solutions, we aim to be an ideal partner for these key players," explains Björn H. Robens, Member of the Board of Managing Directors responsible for Private Banking & Asset Management.

Firmly rooted in the region, André Weber and his team of private banking experts are strengthening BHF-BANK's presence in the local market and will thus help the bank to make further progress on its growth path in the Ruhr Area.

BHF-BANK, which had around EUR 43 billion in assets under management at year-end 2009, now has a network of 13 offices in Germany, four of which – Essen, Düsseldorf, Cologne and Münster – are located in North Rhine-Westphalia alone. This underlines the region's traditional and ever growing importance for the private bank.

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BHF-BANK ranks among the best portfolio managers and leading family office providers in the German-speaking area. As a modern private bank for entrepreneurs and their families, it is dedicated to tailoring comprehensive solutions to the needs of a discerning clientele. BHF-BANK combines the classic values of a private bank with financial strength and broadly based in-depth expertise. The bank gives its clients access to markets and investment opportunities worldwide. The most important international locations of the private bank are Abu Dhabi, Luxembourg, Geneva and Zurich.

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