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# **PwC creates law firm of the future**

Today, PwC Legal is redefining the traditional legal business offering with its law firm of the future. Broadening its core business, it can now provide access to its international legal network with two new offerings: a technology enabled platform for automated contracts in collaboration with PartnerVine and PwC's Flexible Legal Resources which allow clients to customise legal workforce to their own needs in terms of timing, location, scale and experience of staff.

**Zurich, 20 October 2017** – The legal business is entering a phase of transformation in which legal services must be more flexible, agile, practical and cost efficient. PwC Legal is taking on a pioneer role and creating the law firm of the future by providing its clients access to its multi-disciplinary international legal network, a technology enabled platform to create automated legal contracts in collaboration with PartnerVine and a flexible legal resources model. PwC Legal provides not just answers, but solutions tailored to clients' needs and able to adapt as they change. Dieter Wirth, Head of Tax and Legal at PwC Switzerland, says: "We are aware that we are facing the biggest change the legal profession has ever seen and we are building the law firm of the future – every day."

### **Smart and automated contracts on PartnerVine platform**

PwC Legal Switzerland is the first major company to offer automated legal documents under Swiss law. This service will be provided in collaboration with PartnerVine, an online portal for automated legal documents. It gives direct access to PwC Legal's knowledge with an automated guide and questionnaire through which the necessary legal documents can be created at a scalable and competitive price. This will allow in-house counsel across the country to find high-quality resources while improving time and cost effectiveness. "PwC Legal Switzerland has opened its automated document library for customers of PartnerVine. There is nothing like it in the world and we are thrilled to be leading the way", says Dieter Wirth.

## Access to PwC's Flexible Legal Resources

The contingent workforce is a permanent reality for many companies and businesses are increasingly relying on this to staff projects in a smarter way. Using a flexible workforce is now baked into the financial models and budgets of many businesses. The unique connection of PwC's network, internationality and scale provides clients access to an extensive workbench of highest quality legal work, managed legal services, flexible legal resources and cutting edge LegalTech solutions allowing to rapidly switch between or add them. PwC Legal Switzerland's innovative and entrepreneurial lawyer-managers work with the client's own specialists as one team with a focus on practical results. Whether remote, onsite or anywhere in the world our clients need our resources, we combine depth of service with broad diversity of legal and compliance skill-sets meeting future needs from one single provider.



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