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Helping a global building solutions provider consolidate and centralize legal entity management

Operate | Global Legal Entity Management

The challenge

Our client is a global building solutions provider. Following a spin-off from its parent company, it was left retaining circa 190 business entities operating in 50 countries.

Their global footprint meant that they relied heavily on several legal service providers to maintain legal compliance. They sought a solution to help consolidate and drive efficiencies across their existing legal function, including outsourced and in-house capabilities. This required centralizing legal entity management and governance processes, ensuring good corporate health and compliance, spend control, etc.

Our solution

Through Deloitte's Global Legal Entity Management Operate services, the client was able to consolidate their global legal entity management estate. Over a phased approach, affected legal entities were onboarded within three months, all while minimizing disruption and maintaining business continuity. Deloitte worked closely with the client's in-country legal teams in each impacted jurisdiction, as well as local incumbent service providers—bringing many parties together, working sensitively to drive collaboration.

The solution was underpinned by LegalHub, Deloitte Legal UK's next generation engagement and workflow tracking platform. The client and Deloitte collaborated around the platform's full capabilities, which include a calendar to track compliance deadlines and consolidated views for global legal entity compliance activity and spend. This integrated solution was easily deployed and involved comprehensive training to ensure that staff knew how to fully utilize the platform.

In addition to the services provided and the implementation of LegalHub, Deloitte Legal UK continues to provide compliance and event-driven change support services for the client on a global level.

The outcomes

Consolidated and centralized operations

- Consolidated the client's third-party legal entity management service providers across their global jurisdictions.
- Onboarded circa 190 entities onto LegalHub within three months as part of the overall global consolidation process.

Reallocated resources to higher priorities

- The legal entity management team focuses on higher value priorities and tasks that are more in line with their skills, allowing Deloitte Legal UK to help resource more basic compliance matters and lead project management.
- With legal entity management services by Deloitte Legal UK, the client gains confidence knowing they are complying with all local requirements in a timely manner.
- Our LegalHub technology gives the client visibility of real-time compliance status on a global and individual entity basis.

Efficient delivery of compliance

- This project led to the first time the client was ever able to consolidate legal entity management, and there have been no instances of non-compliance to date since.
- Increased governance and risk mitigation through transparency and end-to-end client reporting.



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