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Musat & Asociatii advised Magna International Inc. on the Romanian legal aspects of the completion of its acquisition of Veoneer's Active Safety Business from SSW Partners. The combined business is projected to generate more than \$3 billion in sales in 2024.

With the completion of this acquisition, Magna further strengthens its active safety business, and it positions Magna as one of a few suppliers equipped to tackle the increasing complexity coming from advanced software, system and integration challenges by delivering a complete set of offerings to customers. The combined business builds a more comprehensive active safety portfolio across all relevant sensors, central computer systems and software solutions for Magna in one of the fastest growing market segments in automotive.

Magna is more than one of the world's largest suppliers in the automotive space. Magna is a mobility technology company with a global, entrepreneurial-minded team of over 171,000 employees and an organizational structure designed to innovate like a startup. With 65+ years of expertise, and a systems approach to design, engineering and manufacturing that touches nearly every aspect of the vehicle, Magna is positioned to support advancing mobility in a transforming industry. Magna's global network includes 341 manufacturing operations and 88 product development, engineering and sales centers spanning 29 countries.

Musat & Asociatii team was led by Monia Dobrescu (Partner) and formed of a number of highly skilled associates, among which: Madalina Trifan (Managing Associate), Dragos Lungu (Managing Associate), Oana Lupu (Managing Associate), Cristian Cepesi (Senior Associate) and Evelina Stoian (Associate).

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In 2022, **Muşat & Asociații** won the "Best Law Firm in M&A, Litigation and Pharma" awards, a distinction handed out by during the Romanian Legal Awards Gala, by "Legal Marketing". This was the third time when Muşat & Asociații won the trophy for the Mergers & Acquisitions practice area after 2020 and 2019, the year when Musat & Asociatii was designated the Romanian Law Firm of the Year.

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In 2019, **Muşat & Asociații** won the "Law Firm of the Year in Romania" award, a distinction handed out by the "The Times Legal Innovation, as well as awards for the areas of practice: Mergers and Acquisitions/Privatization, Infrastructure and PPP/Public Procurement and Criminal Law.

In 2018, **Muşat & Asociații** was awarded by prestigious magazine, CEE Legal Matters, for the largest M&A Pharma transaction in Romania (Dr. Max acquisition of A&D Pharma group). Also in 2018, The Times legal Innovation granted awards for the areas of practice: Mergers and Acquisitions/Privatization, Infrastructure and PPP/Public Procurement and Criminal Law.

In 2016, **Muşat & Asociații** received the award for the largest transaction in the energy field, for assistance granted to Sterling Resources in the process of sale of operations in Romania to Carlyle International Energy Partners, as well as the award for the largest HORECA transaction for assisting Premier Capital in purchasing McDonald's in Romania (awards granted by Ziarul Financiar, during the Attorney Gala).

In 2015, **Muşat & Asociații** won the "Law Firm of the Year in Romania" award, a distinction handed out annually by the reputed British publisher "The Lawyer", and in 2013, **Muşat & Asociații** was appointed "Law Firm of the Year in Romania" by International Financial Law Review (IFLR), and this was the second time when the firm was granted this prestigious award, after the distinction received in 2011 (when Romania was included for the first time on the list of countries nominated for the International Financial Law Review (IFLR) awards).

Moreover, in 2012 **Muşat & Asociații** won the Gold Award for the "Best Law Firm in Central and Eastern Europe", an accolade awarded by the 2012 International Legal Alliance Summit & Awards, and in 2011, the renowned publication Chambers Europe awarded the "Romanian Law Firm of the Year" trophy to **Muşat & Asociații**, the law firm with the best performance in Romania, during the "Chambers Europe Awards for Excellence 2011" gala.