

*Flavio Yoshida and Lucas Luna join the firm's partnership*

**BVA - Barreto Veiga Advogados** announces the admission of two new partners to the partnership: Flavio Yoshida, in the Tax practice, and Lucas Luna, in Secondment.

Flavio's arrival marks a strategic step in the consolidation and further expansion of the firm's Tax practice, which has experienced substantial growth over the past three years. With more than 20 years of experience and recognised by Chambers and Partners as one of Brazil's leading tax advisers, Flavio assumes leadership of the practice, reinforcing our position at a pivotal moment in the implementation of Brazil's tax reform.

*"It is a great satisfaction to join BVA, one of Brazil's most respected law firms. I join the firm to contribute to its expansion strategy, with a focus on the tax practice, which has recorded significant growth in recent years, particularly in advisory services,"* Flavio said.

Lucas Luna joins the partnership through our Partner Tracking program, launched in 2023 to identify and develop professionals closely aligned with the firm's long-term growth strategy. Over recent years, Lucas has served as both an associate and coordinator within the Secondment practice, and now becomes the second partner promoted through the program. As a partner, he will continue to co-lead the Secondment practice alongside Gustavo Quedevez, who also heads BVA's Corporate practice.

*"My mission is to expand our Secondment practice, which places the firm's professionals directly within clients' organisations to handle their legal demands exclusively, in strategic collaboration with professionals from other practice areas,"* Lucas said.

With this expansion, the firm now comprises nine partners — an important institutional milestone that underscores our strategy of sustainable growth and reinforces our positioning as a business-oriented, full-service firm focused on strategy and results.

*"The admission of Flavio Yoshida and Lucas Luna to the partnership reflects our commitment to the firm's sustainable growth and strengthens our full-service, business-oriented approach, focused on strategy and results, expanding the delivery of solutions that go beyond expectations,"* said Felipe Barreto Veiga, founding partner and Managing Partner of BVA.

## **Meet our new partners**

### **Flavio Yoshida**

Flavio has more than 20 years of experience in Tax Law, with a broad and strategic practice in tax advisory, domestic and international tax planning, tax credit recovery, the structuring of sophisticated tax operations, and advisory work on highly complex matters involving both direct and indirect taxes.

Throughout his career, he has developed extensive experience advising clients across a wide range of sectors, including pharmaceuticals and life sciences, technology, retail, consumer goods, and other regulation- and innovation-intensive industries. He has advised domestic and multinational groups on structured transactions, corporate reorganisations, transfer pricing, financing, tax incentives and strategic tax matters.

Flavio is recognised as one of Brazil's leading tax advisory lawyers by Chambers and Partners (Tax Non-Contentious) and The Legal 500 (Tax Advisory), among others. He holds a law degree from the University of São Paulo (USP), an LL.M. in International Taxation from Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU - Austria), as well as a postgraduate degree in Tax Law and an MBA in Tax Management.

### **Lucas Luna**

Since joining BVA as a senior associate and later being promoted to coordinator, Lucas has worked in close integration with other practice areas, driving new business opportunities and cross-selling strategies. He has a strong practice in contracts, with significant experience in drafting and negotiating complex commercial agreements.

His background includes work at São Paulo-based law firms as well as in-house legal departments of multinational companies, providing support across several countries in South and Central America.

He also has solid experience in company structuring and new business development, having advised on a wide range of commercial transactions in the technology, start-up, data privacy, consumer goods and real estate sectors.

Lucas holds a law degree from Faculdade Armando Álvares Penteado (FAAP), a postgraduate degree in Contract Law from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV), and a specialisation in Legal English from Fundação Getúlio Vargas (FGV).