## **MATTOS FILHO ANNOUNCES TWO NEW PARTNERS**

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## Mattos Filho announces Thais Rodrigues and Luiz Felipe Di Sessa as new partners in Tax, Intellectual Property and Technology practice areas



Mattos Filho has announced the arrival of two new partners, Thais Rodrigues (pictured left) and Luiz Felipe Di Sessa (pictured right).

Thais joins the firm's Tax practice and will be based in Rio de Janeiro, while Luiz Felipe, working from

São Paulo, joins both the Intellectual Property and Technology, Innovation & Digital Business practice areas. Mattos Filho now has a total of 121 partners.

The new partners reinforce Mattos Filho's ongoing commitment to strategic service in tax, technology and intellectual property matters. Thais and Luiz Felipe will add their expertise to the work of their respective practice areas, in coordination with the firm's other areas.

Expanded Tax practice in Rio de Janeiro

A specialist in Direct Taxation with an extensive background in cross-border transactions, Thais will reinforce the work the firm's Tax practice already carries out in Rio de Janeiro. Holding a law degree from the Universidade Estadual do Rio de Janeiro (UERJ), Thais works in tax advisory, tax planning, restructuring, M&A and foreign investment, and has significant experience working with the energy and oil & gas sectors.

Technology and Intellectual Property as a business strategy

Whether in terms of data protection, cybersecurity or next-generation demands – such as artificial intelligence, cryptocurrency, and the Internet of Things (IoT) - the technology and intellectual property sectors have been gaining increasing importance in the market. Luiz Felipe's arrival is set to enhance Mattos Filho's high-performance service in these areas.

A law graduate from Pontificia Universidade Católica (PUC), Luiz Felipe holds a postgratuate degree in Intellectual Property from Escola Superior de Advocacia (ESA), as well as an LL.M. in Intellectual Property from the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and Italy's Università degli Studi di Torino.