

Representative Legal Matters

Bram Hoorelbeke

- Representing multinational company active in VAT Refund Services and Direct Currency Conversion in Commission investigation into alleged abuse of dominance.
- Representing leading Belgian insurance provider in multiple investigations by the Belgian Competition Authority relating to the insurance sector.
- Advising leading payment technology solution provider on competition law compliance of envisaged changes to the network rules.
- Successfully represented an elevator company before Belgium courts in several damages actions following the elevators and escalators cartel.
- Assisted a client in the sector of animal feed phosphates in the first ever "hybrid" cartel settlement case adopted by the European Commission.
- Acted for a large multinational retail chain in the Belgian Competition Authority's first cartel settlement decision concerning the Belgian grocery sector.
- Representing generic medicines company in challenging the General Court's judgment on patent settlements.
- Represented several companies in the ongoing procedures before the General Court seeking annulment of the European Commission's decision regarding Belgian Excess Profit Rulings (SA.37667 Excess Profit exemption in Belgium – Art. 185§2 b) CIR92).
- Challenged a Commission recovery decision on behalf of an international chemicals group before the EU General Court.
- Represented Oracle Belgium in a state aid recovery procedure leading to a preliminary ruling request before the ECJ.
- Appeal for Apple against the GC's judgment in Case T-101/17 dismissing the action against the EU Commission's State aid decision to allow Germany to target foreign video-on-demand providers such as iTunes with levies (Case C-633/18 P).
- Advised Belgian state owned investment funds in setting up a fund for funds.
- Advising multiple Irish public investors in investing and setting up funds in line with EU State aid law.
- Advised Intel on its application for State aid funding for its multi billion investment in the construction of a semi-conductor fab in Magdeburg.

- Representing multinational clients in their challenge before the General Court against the Commission's decision on State aid relating to the UK CFC.
- Represented several EU institutions, bodies or agencies before the General Court and Court of Justice regarding contested public procurement procedures.
- Represented several clients before the Belgian Competition Authority and the EU Commission in merger proceedings in the sectors of insurance, consumer goods, automotive and aeronautics.
- Advised the CAF (Confederation of African Football) regarding investigations by the Egyptian Competition Authority and COMESA concerning the sale of broadcasting and marketing rights related to the competitions organised by CAF.
- Advised the UCI (International Cycling Union) regarding the organisation of the tender procedure for the sale of broadcasting rights for the world cup cyclo-cross.