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Summary

Dr Alexis Walckiers is a Managing Director in the Brussels office specialising in merger control, abuse of dominance, damages and State aid matters at the Belgian and EU level. He advises clients across a broad range of industries including retail, telecommunications, energy, health services, financial services, car distribution, logistics and postal services.

Prior to joining the firm, Dr Walckiers served as Chief Economist of the Belgian Competition Authority from 2010 to 2020. In this role, he sat on the board of the authority and advised investigation teams and Competition Colleges on the use of economic tools in competition cases. He also represented the authority in international fora and advised the Belgian Minister of Economic Affairs on competition matters.

Alongside his consulting work, Dr Walckiers teaches microeconomics at the Université Libre de Bruxelles. His academic research has been published in competition and economics journals including the Journal of the European Economic Association.

Dr Walckiers has also been active in professional associations. He currently serves as President of the Association pour l'Etude du Droit de la Concurrence (AEDC-VSMR) and is a past president of the Association of Competition Economics. He is a member of the scientific committee of Concurrences and Competitio.

Prior to his role at the Belgian Competition Authority, Dr Walckiers worked for an economics consultancy.

Dr Walckiers holds degrees in philosophy and physics, as well as a doctorate in Economics from the Université Libre de Bruxelles.

Employment history

E.CA Economics Director, since 2020

Université Libre de Bruxelles, Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, since 2011

Belgian Competition Authority, Chief Economist, 2010-2020 (member of the board from 2013)

Brussels School of Competition, 2011-2020

Association of Competition Economics, Member of the Steering Committee and then President, 2014-2018

Oxera, Consultant, 2007-2009

Bruegel, Research assistant, 2007

Université des Sciences Sociales de Toulouse 1, 2006

Université Libre de Bruxelles, Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, teaching assistant, 2000-2006

Education

Université libre de Bruxelles, PhD, Economics, 2007

Université libre de Bruxelles, Research Master, Economics, 2002

Université libre de Bruxelles, Licence, Economics, 2000

Freie Universität Berlin, Erasmus Programme, Economics, 1999

Université libre de Bruxelles, DEC1, Philosophy, 1997

Université libre de Bruxelles, Candidatures, Physics, 1996

Research and publications

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- A theory of hub-and-spoke collusion, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, vol. 53, 2017, p. 353-370 (with N. Sahuguet).
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- Towards guidance on vertical restraints to iron out perceived enforcement discrepancies across Europe? (with N. Sahuguet, J. Steenbergen and T. Vergé), *Journal of European Competition Law and Practice*, 2016 7(4): 274-279.
- Le fonctionnement des marchés : un screening horizontal (with L. Tsyganok, E. Van Hirtum and P. Van Herreweghe), 21ème Congrès des économistes de langue française, La croissance: Réalités and perspectives, E. De Keuleneer and al. (eds), Belgium, Université ouverte.

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 - Elargissement du contrôle des concentrations aux participations minoritaires : quelques avantages et inconvénients, *Mundi and Europae Civis - Liber Amicorum Jacques Steenbergen*. D. Arts, W. Devroe, R. Foqué, K. Marchand and I. Verougstraete (eds.), Belgium, Larcier, (2014) : 609-620.
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Working languages

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