

# Competition and European law

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Paris



# An integrated approach with a sector expertise

The Paris Competition team is composed of a partner, Florence Ninane and three associates.

It has developed a strong expertise in merger control, and in advising and representing clients in competition and distribution law matters before the sector regulators (ARCOM – media, CRE – energy, ARCEP – telecom), the antitrust authorities (DG Competition, the French Competition Authority) and the French and EU courts.

The team is widely recognised, notably in the telecoms, media and technology, pharmaceutical, energy, consumer goods and financial sectors.

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## Advice and Litigation

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Merger control

Antitrust practices  
(cartels, abuse of  
dominant position)

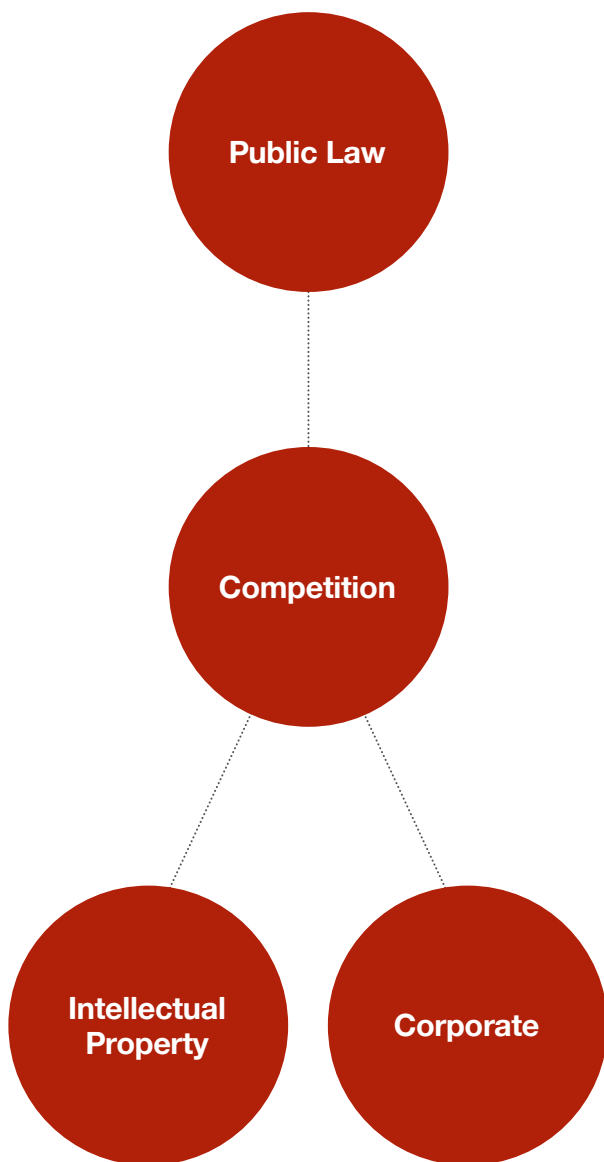
State aid

Commercial  
litigation related  
to regulatory  
and/or competition  
litigation

Compliance

Distribution law

We work closely with renowned specialists in our office involved in all relevant areas including public law, corporate and intellectual property in order to provide our customers with the most comprehensive and pragmatic approach.



“Particularly knowledgeable in anti-competitive matters, frequently assisting international clients with investigations and litigation before French and European authorities and courts.

The law firm has solid expertise in merger control, offering further advice on general compliance and state aid. The lawyers often act on cross-border mandates in cooperation with its global network. The team is active in various industry sectors, notably technology and banking.”

Chambers Europe 2022 – France (Competition/European Law)

“Representing major global corporates, the team at the Paris office of Allen & Overy LLP advises clients involved in high-profile competition law and distribution cases before public antitrust authorities and the French and EU courts. Headed by multi-jurisdictional merger expert Florence Ninane, the group’s client base spans the consumer good, energy, digital and financial services sectors.”

Legal 500 – EMEA 2022 – France (Competition/European Law)



# An international network

Our global antitrust team comprises over 100 specialist antitrust lawyers, located in 19 offices in Europe, the U.S., Asia Pacific and Africa. This network enables the Paris team to share knowledge, information, processes and skills and to be at the forefront of technical know-how and market awareness.

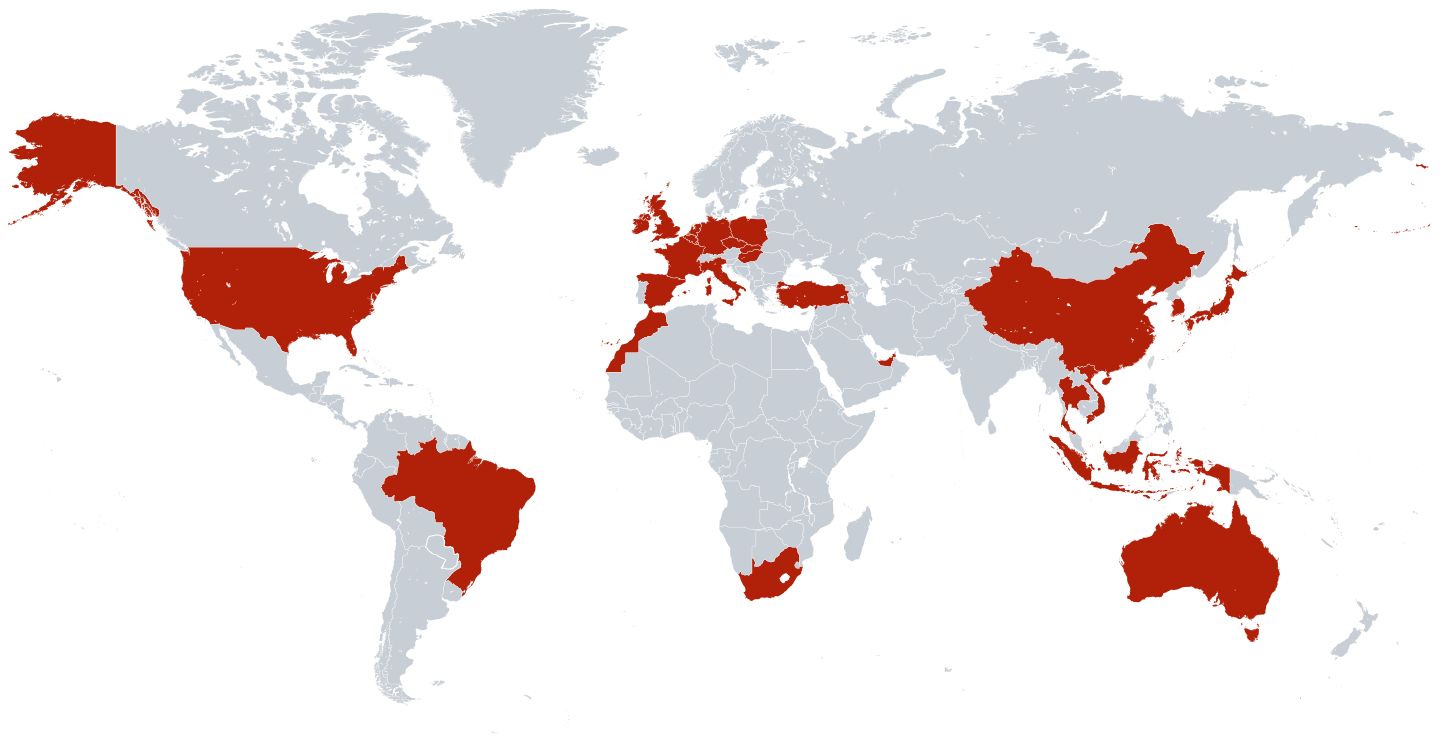
Having access to this integrated network enables the Paris team to offer clients solutions at a local level, as well as to manage the international aspects of a project and to ensure smooth and efficient liaison with lawyers in other jurisdictions.



“One client reports that: ‘I am thoroughly impressed by Allen & Overy’s ability to gain a deep understanding of market fundamentals and commercial drivers in the industry,’ adding that ‘there is seemingly no end to their pool of qualified employees specialised in anti-trust law’.”

Chambers Global-wide 2022 (Competition/Antitrust)





## Offices where we have specialist antitrust teams

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### **NORTH AMERICA**

New York  
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Washington, D.C.

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Bratislava  
Brussels  
Budapest  
Hamburg  
London  
Madrid  
Milan  
Paris  
Prague  
Warsaw

### **ASIA PACIFIC**

Bangkok  
Hong Kong  
Sydney

### **AFRICA**

Casablanca  
Johannesburg

# A dedicated team



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Florence is a partner in Allen & Overy LLP's Paris office. She has significant experience in the areas of French and European competition law (mergers, antitrust and state aid issues). She regularly assists companies with their French, EU and multi-jurisdictional merger notifications, and also represents companies in competition law litigation before competition authorities and national courts (in cartel investigations, abuse of dominance, state aid and private enforcement matters).

Florence's particular areas of sector expertise include energy, finance, digital sector and consumer goods and she advises various operators in these areas.

Florence has recently authored several articles in publications such as *Revue Concurrences*, as well as the French chapters in publications such as *The International Comparative Legal Guide to Merger Control* and *Getting the Deal Through*. She is the author of the *Lamy Economique* 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 & 2019 chapter on access to evidence in private action cases and she is regularly interviewed in the press (GCR, L'AGEFI, Mergermarket, Reuters, Les Echos, Le Figaro, *Option Droit & Affaires* ...).

She is a frequent speaker at antitrust conferences and seminars.

Florence is recognised as a leading individual by Chambers & Partners and Legal 500 as well as by Who's Who Legal.

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“Florence Ninane is well regarded for her expertise in French and European competition law, including merger filings, abuse of dominance investigations and state aid matters. One impressed client states that she is ‘a very sharp antitrust lawyer,’ and adds: ‘She is an expert in her field but remains very approachable and kind’.”

Chambers Europe 2022 – France (Competition/European Law)



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“Senior associate Roxane Hicheri is a specialist in distribution and consumer law matters.”

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