

Our activities in this practice area are focused on matters related to the national and European competition legislation. Our team of lawyers specialized in the European Union and Competition law, has extensive experience in a wide range of cases that they have brought and defended before the national and European Union competition authorities. Our professionals have also prepared several reports related to the integration of certain EEC directives into the Spanish law, and written various studies for the European Commission.

Among the principal services offered by the practice area of European Union and Competition Law are the following:

- Advice to companies on the application, interpretation and significance of EU legislation.
- Governmental subsidies.
- Advice on consumer protection law and product liability.
- Free circulation of goods and services.
- Public procurement in the EU.
- Advice on the new legal framework for markets in the process of freeing up.
- Defence of free competition both at Spanish and European Union level, with special emphasis on the abuse of a leading market position, consolidation of companies, as well as on agreements and practices that restrict free competition.
- Advice regarding the competition legislation in commercial transactions.
- Notifications to the Spanish and EU competition authorities on restrictive agreements, as well as negotiations with them in order to receive needed exemptions.
- Joint Ventures.
- Notifications of trusts to Spanish and European Authorities in defence of fair-trading.
- Advice on internal audits on compliance with Spanish and European fair-trade regulations.
- Unfair competition issues.
- Proceedings before the competent anti-trust authorities, and other Spanish and EU authorities.