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Biography

As head of the Hogan Lovells Antitrust, Competition and Economic Regulation practice in Madrid, Casto has extensive experience advising international and local companies while representing them before the European Union and the Spanish Competition Authorities as well as in judicial procedures regarding all aspects of antitrust proceedings.

Casto's experience encompasses all economic sectors, being particularly intense in the energy, infrastructure, automotive, insurance and consumer business areas. Casto takes pride in putting his broad experience into providing very commercial and practical advice, proactively helping his clients to detect and solve potential problems early on.

Casto is a professor in the master's degree program on EU Law at the Carlos III University in Madrid, as well as a regular lecturer in other academic forums. He also speaks Spanish and English.

Representative experience

Advising two leading car manufacturers in the automotive manufacturers investigation by the Spanish Competition Authority.



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Languages

English
Italian
Spanish

Practices

Antitrust and Competition
Administrative and Public Law
Government Relations and Public
Affairs

Industries

Automotive
Financial Institutions

Advising Caixabank on the investigation into the condition of provision of derivative products in the context of syndicated loans.

Representing SCOR in the investigation of the Decennial insurance market by the Spanish Competition Authority.

Advising a leading car manufacturer in relation to the claim of damages suffered as a consequence of an antitrust infraction.

Advising Alstom in the investigation of the Spanish Competition Authority into the railway electrification infrastructure.

Obtaining the EU Commission merger clearance to the setting-up of a JV between Euler Hermes (Allianz Group) and MAPFRE comprising their respective credit-insurance businesses.

Advising Globalvía on the EU notification of the creation of a JV with financial investors.

Representing Brookfield on the notification to the EU Commission of the setting-up of a JV together with Abertis.

Awards and rankings

- Ranked in Competition and European Law, *Chambers Europe*, 2013-2020
- EU and Competition, Leading Individual, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2020
- EU and Competition, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2018-2020
- Acritas Star for Competition/Antitrust, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2016, 2018-2020

Latest thinking and events

- News
 - The rise of FDI regimes and their impact on M&A transactions

Aerospace and Defense
Life Sciences and Health Care
Diversified Industrials

Areas of focus

Abuse of Dominance and Restrictive Practices
Agency Investigations
Antitrust and Competition Litigation
Cartel Investigations
Competition Compliance
Dawn Raids
Leniency Applications
Merger Control
State Aid
Judicial Review
Consumer Protection and Privacy
Product Compliance
Regular Contracts and Business Issues
Legislation

Education and admissions

Education

LL.M., Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 1998

Law Degree, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 1995

- Analysis
 - New reform of the Foreign Direct Investment regime in Spain
- Analysis
 - Competition law in Spain: What to expect in the current economic recovery phase
- Analysis
 - Acquisition of businesses in financial difficulty as a result of COVID-19
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - EU merger control in times of COVID-19
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - EU Commission adopts Temporary Framework for State aid to support the economy in the current COVID-19 outbreak and approves several national State aid schemes

Accolades

"He's calm, relaxed, open to suggestions and very ready to help you, as well as honest, transparent and very quick with his response".

Chambers Europe 2019

Clients highlight his "mastery of competition law".

Chambers Europe 2019

"Bright and energetic, he is able to navigate adverse situations and search for solutions".

Chambers Europe 2018

"He is an effective communicator, is analytical and is able to take decisions".

Chambers Europe 2018
