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Alf advises companies and investors on antitrust and merger control aspects. His focus is on M&A-related merger control advice. In addition, he assists companies on antitrust investigations of the European Commission as well as the German Federal Cartel Office. Finally, he advises companies on antitrust compliance as well as internal investigations.

Among the prominent merger control matters on which Alf has advised are the acquisition and sale of Frankfurter Rundschau by Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, the sale of Kabel BW by EQT to Unity Media, the proposed acquisition of Opterra by Schwenk, the acquisition of C.I.T. Europe (Nacco) by VTG (including advising on a remedy sale). Most of the matters were complex and involved so-called "second phase proceedings".

Merger control proceedings with the European Commission handled by him included the merger of Hoechst und Rhône Paulenc, the acquisition of Dresdner Bank by Allianz. He also advised SPAR Austria regarding the acquisition of ADEG by REWE (including challenging the clearance decision of the Commission before the Court in Luxembourg).

Alf coordinated merger control filings on a global scale in a number of transactions.

As regards antitrust investigations, Alf has most notably advised Japanese companies in antitrust infringements proceedings by the European Commission. These proceedings include the Commission's investigations concerning chloroprene rubber, TV and monitor tubes as well as capacitors.

Alf is a member of the firm's Japan and Korea desk.

Career

Admitted to bar 1995

Universities of Freiburg and Hamburg (Dr. jur.)

European University Institute, Florenz (LL.M.)

Law firm, Washington D.C., 1996-1997

Recent Work

Hengeler Mueller advises Dr. August Oetker KG on sale of Bankhaus Lampe

Hengeler Mueller advises Ubisoft on acquisition of majority stake in Kolibri Games

Hengeler Mueller advises Oaktree on acquisition of RAFI

Publications

Co-author: Münchener Kommentar Europäisches und Deutsches Wettbewerbsrecht, 2nd ed. 2015

Since 2009, Alf Hendrik Bischke has co-authored the section "Recent Developments in Antitrust Laws", published in NZG.