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Education

LL.M., University of Munich, 2003

LL.B., University of Athens and University of Barcelona (Erasmus scholar) 2001

Bar Admissions

Brussels (EU-list)

Athens, Greece

Languages

English

French

Germa

Spanish

Andreas Kafetzopoulos has more than 15 years of experience in advising clients on European and international antitrust/competition law.

Mr. Kafetzopoulos regularly provides strategic advice to multinational corporations on complex cross-border merger control cases and multijurisdictional cartel and abuse of dominance investigations. He also advises clients on the antitrust aspects of joint venture and cooperation agreements, license and technology transfer agreements, supply and distribution agreements, and global compliance programs.

Mr. Kafetzopoulos represents clients before the European Commission, the European courts and major antitrust regulators around the world. His experience covers a diverse range of industries, including aviation, information and communication technology, electronics, insurance, pharmaceuticals, chemicals and petrochemicals, nuclear energy, renewables, mining, automotive and engineering. In recognition of his work, he has been repeatedly named to *Who's Who Legal: Competition Future Leaders*.

Mr. Kafetzopoulos has acted for:

- Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. in its US\$3.8 billion sale of the performance materials division of its materials technologies segment to Evonik Industries AG (Germany)
- Black Diamond Capital Management, L.L.C., along with Investindustrial (Luxembourg), in their US\$425 million acquisition of the phenolic specialty resin, hexamine and European forest products resins businesses of Hexion Inc.
- Brookfield Infrastructure Partners L.P. in its going-private acquisition of Triton International Limited at an enterprise value of US\$13.3 billion
- DENTSPLY International Inc. in its US\$13.3 billion merger-of-equals with Sirona Dental Systems Inc.
- Embraer S.A. (Brazil) in the European Commission's Phase II investigation into the proposed US\$4.2 billion sale of an 80% stake in its commercial aircraft and services business to The Boeing Company
- GE Aviation before the European Commission in relation to its settlement with the International Air Transport Association (IATA), as a result of which IATA withdrew its March 2016 antitrust complaint that it had filed with the European Commission
- Hanwha Group (South Korea) with respect to the unconditional EU approval (and other regulatory filings) of its US\$1.45 billion acquisition of Daewoo Shipbuilding & Marine Engineering Co. (South Korea)
- Honeywell International Inc. in its:
 - US\$4.95 billion acquisition of Carrier Global Corporation's global access solutions business
 - US\$1.3 billion acquisition of Sparta Systems, Inc. from New Mountain Capital
- HP Inc. in its US\$1.05 billion acquisition of Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd.'s printer business

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- Key Safety Systems, Inc. in its US\$1.6 billion acquisition of all of the assets and operations of Takata Corporation (Japan)
- Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in its US\$3 billion acquisition of Ironshore Inc. (Bermuda) from Fosun International Limited (China)
- Mirati Therapeutics in its sale to Bristol Myers Squibb for up to US\$5.8 billion
- NorStella, a portfolio company of Hg and Welsh Carson Anderson & Stowe, in its merger with Citeline, a portfolio company of Warburg Pincus LLC, at an enterprise value of US\$3.9 billion
- Polynt Group sarl (Italy) in Black Diamond Capital Management, L.L.C.'s €1.3 billion buyout of Investindustrial (Luxembourg) from the Polynt Group
- SK hynix Inc. (South Korea) in its US\$9 billion acquisition of the NAND memory and storage business of Intel Corporation
- Splunk Inc. in its US\$28 billion acquisition by Cisco Systems, Inc.
- Stone Point Capital LLC in its US\$2.7 billion acquisition of approximately 45% of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.
- Validus Holdings Ltd. (Bermuda) in its US\$5.6 billion acquisition by American International Group, Inc.
- XL Group Ltd. (Bermuda) in its US\$15.3 billion acquisition by AXA SA (France)

Publications

Co-Author, "New EU Competitors Cooperation Framework: Stricter on Information Exchange, Broader on Joint Sustainability Agreements," *Skadden Publication*, June 8, 2023

Co-Author, "US and EU Regulators Increase Scrutiny of Vertical Mergers," *Skadden's 2023 Insights*, December 13, 2022

Co-author, "Access to the Commission File and Confidentiality of Information Under European Competition Law in the Context of Antitrust Damages Claims," *Journal of European Competition Law & Practice*, 2020

Co-author, "Access to the EU Commission's File or Decision for Purposes of Damages Claims, and Confidentiality of Information under European Competition Law," *Journal of European Competition Law & Practice*, December 7, 2018

Co-author, "Intel Ruling: General Court Failed to Examine All of Intel's Arguments, Court of Justice Says," *Skadden Publication*, September 8, 2017