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Attila Borsos is a partner in the Brussels office of Gibson Dunn, and a member of the firm's Antitrust and Competition and International Trade practice groups. He is the Head of Cross-Border Merger Control and Foreign Investment.

Attila was recognized as one of the leading competition lawyers of his generation in the 2020 edition of *Global Competition Review*'s prestigious "40 Under 40." He has been consistently named a Future Leader in Competition by *Lexology* (formerly *Who's Who Legal*) since 2017. He is also recommended in the Competition sections of *The Legal 500 EMEA 2022* for Belgium and *The Legal 500 UK 2024* for EU and Competition Law. Most recently, he was included in *Lawdragon*'s 500 Leading Antitrust and Competition Lawyers for 2025 and 2026.

Attila advises on a wide range of antitrust issues, including merger control, vertical arrangements, and cartel investigations, both before the European Commission and national competition authorities. He regularly advises international companies on their global merger control strategy and co-ordinates merger control and other regulatory filing approvals in order to get the deal through and meet clients' strategic objectives. He has particular experience in advising companies in the IT, consumer goods, construction materials, and chemical industries sectors.

Attila has significant experience in State aid proceedings before the European Commission and subsequent litigation before the European Courts. He has successfully advised investors on the State aid aspects of the privatization a flag carrier airline of one of the EU member states and subsequently represented that airline with State aid complaints regarding Alitalia, Croatian Airlines, and Air Serbia. He has particular expertise in the application of the market economy investor principle, rescue and restructuring aid, the rules regarding direct business taxation, the guidelines on regional aid, and the sale of public property.

In the field of international trade, Attila represents both complainants and importers in anti-dumping and anti-subsidy proceedings before the European Commission. He regularly advises importers, exporters and downstream users on the implications of trade defence measures, the impact of Brexit on customs tariffs and trade defence instruments, tackling technical barriers to trade in third countries and on the EU sanctions regime.

Attila received his law degree, *summa cum laude*, from the Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest. He earned his master's degree in WTO Law and International Trade Law at the University of Rennes 1, which he attended with the scholarship of the French Government. Prior to joining Gibson Dunn, Attila trained and practiced as an associate in the competition group of a Magic Circle firm in Brussels. He completed internships at the European Commission (DG Trade), the General Court of the European Union and the Hungarian Competition Authority.

Capabilities

Antitrust and Competition

Government Contracts

International Trade Advisory and Enforcement

Litigation

Credentials

Education

Université de Rennes I - 2005 Master of European Law

Eötvös Loránd University - 2004 Law Degree

Admissions

Belgium - Barreau de Bruxelles

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Attila taught EU competition law and EU State aid law at the Pázmány Péter University in Budapest and EU competition law and international trade law at the University Paris Dauphine in Paris. Since 2019, he has been a guest lecturer on EU State aid law for LLM students at the University of Toulouse.

Attila is qualified in Belgium and is also a member of the “EK” list of the Budapest Bar in Hungary. A native Hungarian speaker, he is fluent in English and French and proficient in German.

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