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Kai Gesing is a partner in the Munich office of Gibson Dunn. He is a member of the firm's Antitrust and Competition, Technology Transactions, Artificial Intelligence, Intellectual Property, Litigation, Privacy and Cybersecurity, and White-Collar Defense and Investigations Practice Groups.

Kai has a wealth of experience in advising clients particularly from technology-driven industries, such as automotive, information technology, semiconductor, telecommunications, and pharmaceutical companies, on complex M&A, licensing and technology transactions and in disputes involving technology, antitrust, intellectual property, data privacy, data security, and the legal framework for modern technologies.

Kai particularly focuses on antitrust and competition law and advises clients in all aspects of European and German antitrust issues, including defense in cartel investigations, antitrust damage claims, antitrust compliance and merger control proceedings before the German Federal Cartel Office, the European Commission and other international competition authorities.

The Legal 500 Deutschland 2024 and *The Legal 500 EMEA 2024* recommend him for Antitrust, Internal Investigations and Litigation. *The Legal 500* referred to his focus "in German and European antitrust law as well as technology transactions, data protection and cybersecurity" and highlighted his strength in the IT sector, among other areas. *JUVE Handbuch 2022/2023* cites clients praising him "for his expertise in claiming antitrust damages". *WirtschaftsWoche* recognized him as a Top Lawyer 2025 in Antitrust in Germany and as Top Lawyer 2024 in IT Law. As in previous years, *Handelsblatt / The Best Lawyers™* in Germany have recognized Kai as one of the best lawyers 2025/2026 for Litigation and Competition / Antitrust Law. *Lawdragon 500 2026* names him Leading Global Antitrust & Competition Lawyer.

Kai has successfully represented and defended clients in various important national and international litigation and arbitration cases related to antitrust, intellectual property, technology, and other complex commercial law disputes.

In addition, Kai's practice has a focus on white-collar defense and advice on antitrust compliance, technological compliance and data privacy compliance (including under the GDPR). He represented and advised clients in a number of high-profile white-collar crime investigations in Germany and various other jurisdictions in Europe, Africa, Middle East, and Asia concerning the prevention and detection of, and reaction to, various types of banned business practices such as cartels, cybersecurity incidents, fraud, corruption, and money laundering.

Kai studied law at the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich and has been admitted as a German lawyer (*Rechtsanwalt*) since 2005. He also obtained a degree in business administration (Dipl.-Kfm.), and holds a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Business



Capabilities

Antitrust and Competition
Artificial Intelligence
Intellectual Property
Litigation
Mergers and Acquisitions
Privacy, Cybersecurity, and Data Innovation
Tech and Innovation
Technology Transactions
White Collar Defense and Investigations

Credentials

Education

Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich - 2003 Law Degree
FernUniversität Hagen - 2001 Diplom-Kaufmann
University of Amsterdam - 2000 Master of Laws (LL.M.)

Admissions

Germany - Rechtsanwalt

Law from Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam. He speaks German and English.

Kai is a member of the German association of antitrust professionals (Studienvereinigung Kartellrecht), the German intellectual property association (GRUR), the international association of privacy professionals (iapp) and the German association for data protection and data security (GDD) as well as the American Bar Association.

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