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Håkon is a specialist in competition law and heads Wiersholm's team of lawyers practicing EU/competition law. He has extensive experience in handling complex competition cases, both from private practice and as the legal director of the Norwegian Competition Authority. In his practice as a lawyer, Håkon has handled some of the most high-profile merger cases in Norway. He has significant experience in dealing with cross-border mergers, and regularly represents clients in cases relating to cartel investigations and the possible abuse of market dominance vis-à-vis the Norwegian Competition Authority, the European Commission and the EFTA Surveillance Authority. In addition, Håkon also advises on EU/EEA law, matters relating to government subsidies and administrative law. Chambers and Partners and Legal 500 have ranked Håkon as one of Norway's most prominent competition law lawyers. In addition, he is ranked as an up-and-coming lawyer on competition law in the Norwegian Financial Daily's annual lawyers survey. Håkon is the co-author of the book *Norsk Konkurranserett, Bind II Fusjonskontroll* (Norwegian Competition Law, Volume II Merger Control).

Håkon displays remarkable proficiency, sound judgment, and an unwavering commitment to achieving the best outcomes for his clients.

Chambers Europe, 2024

Industry expertise

Banking and Finance
Fisheries and Aquaculture
Retail
Industry
Media and Entertainment
Technology and Digitisation
Transport

Areas of practice

EU and EEA Law
Competition Law
Transportation and Logistics

Work experience

Partner, Wiersholm, 2016

Managing Associate, Wiersholm, 2013

Legal Director, The Norwegian Competition Authority, 2010

National Expert, The EFTA Surveillance Authority (Brussels), 2007

Head of section, The Norwegian Competition Authority, 2006

Advisor/Senior Advisor, The Norwegian Competition Authority, 2005

Associate/Senior Associate, Ro Sommernes advokatfirma DA, 2002

Education

Postgraduate Diploma in Economics for Competition Law, King's College London, 2009

Cand. Jur., University of Oslo, 2002

LLM, King's College London, 2001

Membership

Leader, the Competition Law Reform Commission's secretariat, 2011 - 2012

External examiner, University of Bergen, 2007

Awards

Band 1, Chambers Europe, Competition/Antitrust, 2024

Leading Individuals, Legal 500, EU and Competition, 2024

Topp 10, Advokatundersøkelsen, Finansavisen, EU / EEA and Competition law, 2024

Topp 10, Advokatundersøkelsen, Finansavisen, Competition law, 2023

Next Generation Partners, Legal 500, EU and Competition, 2023

Band 2, Chambers Europe, Competition/Antitrust, 2023

Band 2, Chambers Europe, Competition/Antitrust, 2022

Next Generation Partners, Legal 500, EU and competition, 2021