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Bob Martens mainly focuses on litigation matters, but has also been actively and successfully involved in many large-scale PPP projects like the Oosterweel Bridge and Tunnel Project in Antwerp and the school building project or the Liefkenshoekspoor tunnel project. He has also been involved in brownfield redevelopment and soil pollution cases.

He deals with international public procurement files like the construction of NATO buildings, the development of the first Joint Auction Platform for EU ETS allowances, on behalf of the European Commission and 24 Member States, or acting on behalf of private clients against European institutions.

He advises a wide range of both public and private sector clients on all aspects of administrative law, including public and utilities procurement law. Bob has further defended clients before the Council of State and the Constitutional Court as well as the European Court regarding all types of administrative acts.

He also has experience in advising on the restructuring of public entities, feasibility studies relative to the possibilities of private initiative in public bodies and assistance in public management agreements for public entities.

Bob heads the Belgian Regulatory team.

Bob is a member of the DLA Piper Brexit Committee, which coordinates the firm's approach to the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union.

Bob provides services to DLA Piper UK LLP through a limited liability company.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Dutch
- English
- French

- International Trade, Regulatory and Government Affairs
- Real Estate
- Public Private Partnerships and PFI
- Infrastructure Finance
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Insurance and Reinsurance Disputes
- Class Actions
- White Collar and Corporate Crime
- Global Governance and Compliance
- Antitrust and Competition
- Investigations
- Construction, Engineering and Infrastructure Disputes
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Aviation Litigation and Regulation
- Cross-Border Litigation
- International Arbitration

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Advocaat registered with the Nederlandse Orde van Advocaten bij de Balie te Brussel

Education

- KU Leuven: Master of Laws (cum laude), 1991
- Facultés Universitaires Notre Dame de la Paix Namur: Bachelor of Laws, 1988

Memberships

- Member of the Brussels Bar
- Secretary and member of the Board of the Brussels Bar (2000 - 2002)
- Scientific member of Collectie Publiek Recht, Vandenbroele
- Board of the Public Lawyers Club

INSIGHTS

Publications

Belgium - Global bribery offenses guide

11 January 2022

Belgium - Whistleblowing Laws in Europe: An international guide

Omzendbrief KB 2020/01 betreffende de impact van de coronamaatregelen op overheidsopdrachten

5 May 2020

Overheidsopdrachten ondervinden een impact van de coronamaatregelen die de snelle verspreiding van het coronavirus (COVID-19) moeten tegengaan. De omzendbrief KB 2020/01 duidt de impact hiervan op overheidsopdrachten.

- Insurance
- Energy and Natural Resources

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Dutch English French