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Jan Metelka has vast experience in corporate and commercial law, intellectual property and life sciences. He acts in the regulatory field, in particular in the areas of competition law and personal data protection.

His internships include programs at the University of Copenhagen and Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest (LL.M. candidate) and participation at the Municipal Court in Prague.

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Czech
- English

- Corporate
- Finance
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Antitrust and Competition

- Financial Services
- Life Sciences

Czech English

- Acting as the Czech point of contact in the complex European Commission project regarding the implementation of consumer rights directives into the national legal systems of member states
- Providing ongoing advice to the leading Czech financial services provider (UniCredit Leasing CZ a.s.) on corporate, real estate and regulatory issues
- Advising on the sale of a Czech startup company to a multinational technology company
- Advising on the sale of a Czech factoring company to the Slovenian purchaser
- Advising on a corporate recapitalization regarding one of the leading drugstore companies in Czech Republic
- Providing employment law advice to a retail chain regarding the dismissal of employees
- Advising a tech company on acquiring part of its new business in Czech Republic from one of the leading tech companies, followed by establishing a branch
- Advising the employment agency in establishing a branch in Czech Republic
- Advising on the sale of the minority share in a Czech tire production company, as part of a complex transaction in Slovakia, Hungary and Cyprus

CREDENTIALS

Prior Experience

- 2014-2015, Paralegal, Magic Circle London-based international law firm
- 2015-2016, Paralegal, major Czech law firm

Education

- Eötvös Loránd University in Budapest, LL.M., 2017
- Charles University in Prague, Masters, 2016
- University of Copenhagen, one-year foreign program, 2014

Memberships

- Czech Bar Association
- KUBULUS - University of Copenhagen Alumni

Pro bono

Pro Bono work for Office Of The United Nations High Commissioner For Refugees regarding the local law and policy research.

INSIGHTS

Publications

A new layer of protection for consumers in the Czech Republic?

5 August 2021

Once the amendment to the Czech Consumer Protection Act becomes effective, consumer protection rules will have to start being reflected in the digital world. If the amending legislation is passed in its current draft form, consumer protection rules will also apply to the offering and provision of digital content and services, even if the consumer "pays" for them with their personal data. Violations of the new obligations shall be punishable by a fine of up to CZK 50 million or 4% of the trader's annual turnover. The amendment implements the requirements set by EU law.

The ePrivacy Regulation and further obligations to protect personal data in electronic communications

15 July 2021

The ePrivacy Regulation is the next piece of legislation at EU level in the field of personal data protection after the GDPR. The new rules will apply to providers of electronic communications services, publicly available lists, electronic communications software, and also to natural and legal persons who use user-related information to send marketing messages.

Whistleblowers under protection of law in the Czech Republic

14 June 2021

The Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic is currently discussing a bill and an accompanying amending law on the protection of whistleblowers. The essence of the new regulation is to prevent disability, disadvantage or pressure on people who have legitimate concerns about illegal behaviour at the workplace.

New screening of foreign investments in the Czech Republic

26 April 2021

From 1 May 2021, a new legal regulation on the screening of foreign investments in the Czech Republic will come into effect. There will be screening in place for investments into public and private companies relevant for the security protection or public order completed after 1 May of this year in the Czech Republic.

New obligations under the Act on the Registration of Beneficial Owners

11 March 2021

The new Act on the Registration of Beneficial Owners will enter into force on 1 June 2021. Under this law, legal entities will be affected by new obligations. Failure to comply with the new obligations may result in fines.

Various short articles published in the fields of protection of privacy, corporate law, banking, competition law and life sciences in online and printed law journals.

Events

- Key speaker: "Borders between legal monitoring and stalking", 2015