

Dispute Resolution

Our practice

ALTIUS' Dispute Resolution team is skilled in dealing with legal disputes, litigation and arbitration for Belgian and international clients of all sizes.

The team's expertise includes advising clients on conflict avoidance, pre-litigation/arbitration strategic counselling and settlement through negotiations or mediation. The focus is on providing a practical, cost-effective and commercially sound solution for our clients. If a settlement cannot be agreed with the other parties, then ALTIUS' team members assertively represent our clients' interests and, if required, can draw upon the extensive expertise and knowledge of ALTIUS' other specialist teams.

ALTIUS' lawyers are qualified to appear before the Belgian courts and the European jurisdictions. ALTIUS has been involved in ground-breaking litigation before the European courts, in numerous high-profile and complex cases before the Belgian courts and some of the largest arbitration cases in Belgium.

ALTIUS' expertise and international network enables our team to deal with complex and international disputes efficiently and successfully.

How we can help

- (Cross border) debt recovery
- (International) arbitration
- Commercial litigation
- Competition law issues in general litigation/arbitration
- Corporate litigation
- Finance-related litigation
- Injunctions and emergency proceedings
- Insolvency litigation
- Liability and insurance
- Negotiation and mediation
- Pre-litigation counselling and diligence
- Private antitrust enforcement
- Recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitration awards (including against sovereign entities)



Market recognition

"Alexander Hansebout was exceptional – calm, confident, knowledgeable and considered. Clear understanding of the issues and the gaps and how best to approach to resolve them." – Legal 500, 2022

"Great team, excellent collaboration." - Legal 500, 2022

Clients stress that the team "has a lot of expertise," and particularly appreciate "the personal contact and patience" that ALTIUS offers. – Chambers Europe, 2022

Clients appreciate that Alexander Hansebout is "always available and patient in explaining the difficulties at hand," and add that "he is a very strategic person." He advises clients on competition and commercial litigation, as well as acting for clients on enforcement proceedings. – Chambers Europe, 2022

"Bart Heynickx is a brilliant thinker. His strategy is clear and strong. That gives the client every advantage in litigation." – Legal 500, 2021

"The communication of the team is very clear and state-of-the-art." – Legal 500, 2021

One client notes that Hansebout is "very efficient and has very good legal knowledge." - Chambers Europe, 2021

One commentator notes that "Ronse is outstanding and thinks quickly on his feet when pleading before the courts." — Chambers Europe, 2021

The "strong and capable" team at ALTIUS garners praise for its expertise in "dealing with complex litigation with an international dimension"; the practice also reports an uptick in arbitration mandates. – Legal 500, 2020

The "extremely responsive" Alexander Hansebout jointly heads the department with Christophe Ronse, who "is able to present complex subjects in an easily comprehensible manner' and 'presents in a clear, friendly and highly persuasive manner before the courts." - Legal 500, 2020

Respected, independent Belgian firm acting for clients before domestic and international-level courts and panels. Represents clients from various sectors, including technology, sports and food and drink, in litigation relating to damages claims and breach of contract disputes. Also assists with arbitrations, particularly within the energy sector. - Chambers Global, 2020.

Clients admire the lawyers' "flexibility in timing" in addition to their "high-quality and business-oriented support" while others "appreciate the team's ability to work with other departments in the firm" noting: "they are a large firm with several people that can work together and complement each other." - Chambers Europe, 2020

Alexander Hansebout attracts praise from clients for being "extremely smart, practical and strategic" in negotiations. Christophe Ronse is "a master tactician in cases before the Belgian courts." - Chambers Europe 2020



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