



EUROPEAN UNION & COMPETITION LAW



WHO WE ARE

Elias Neocleous & Co LLC has a dedicated European Union and Competition Law department with a proven track record in managing complex national and cross-border matters, consistently delivering timely and practical legal advice. The Department's clients include national government authorities, Directorates-General of the European Commission, prominent international law firms and their clients, as well as domestic enterprises.

Our team of seasoned specialists provides comprehensive support across a broad spectrum of issues, including the harmonisation of Cypriot legislation with the EU *acquis Communautaire*, merger control and antitrust compliance, and securing funding from EU social, cohesion, and structural funds. By continuously monitoring developments in EU and competition law at both the national and EU levels, we are well positioned to deliver cutting-edge legal counsel and support in the following areas:

EU LAW

- Expertise in European business grant schemes
- In-depth knowledge of European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) Programs
- Experience with EU funding programs, including the submission of research and innovation project proposals
- Proficient in proposal development and comprehensive project management
- Strong understanding of the rational and key initiatives underpinning Europe's strategy
- Skilled in coordinating, designing, and analyzing development strategies for the preparation of national EU programming documents
- Support in transposing the EU institutional framework into national legislation
- Monitoring and providing guidance on the alignment and harmonization of national legislation with EU law



Elias Neocleous & Co LLC is one of the largest law firms in Cyprus and a leading firm in the South-East Mediterranean region, with offices located in Limassol, Nicosia, Paphos, Brussels, Budapest, Kiev, and Prague. We are renowned for our expertise and jurisdictional knowledge across a broad spectrum of practice areas, spanning all major transactional and market disciplines, to bring strategic solutions to global clients operating in key industries worldwide.



- Advising on EU law and relevant EU regulations.
- Advising and guiding businesses on the national transposition of EU Directives and Regulations.
- Experience in the preparation and submission of complaints to the European Commission, including the legal substantiation of breaches of EU law, as well as prior involvement in infringement procedures.
- Representation before national authorities and Courts in cases involving breaches of EU law, including defective transposition of EU legislation by the State.
- Drafting of legal opinions and provision of specialised legal advice to clients on the interpretation and compliance with EU law.
- Specialisation in EU public procurement law, EU environmental law, and EU climate law.

COMPETITION LAW

- Preparing, drafting and filing notifications of proposed concentrations of major importance with the Cyprus Commission for the Protection of Competition in order to secure the requisite approvals, and representing clients before the Commission and any other relevant bodies, including the Supreme Court of Cyprus
- Conduct thorough due diligence, evaluate potential antitrust risks associated with mergers and acquisitions,
- Dealing with complaints regarding anti-trust behaviour and representing clients in anti-trust investigations, negotiations, and disputes concerning anti-competitive conduct, abuse of dominant positions, cartel activities, and market monopolization. before the Cyprus Commission for the Protection of Competition and any other relevant bodies, including the Supreme Court of Cyprus

- Advising on merger control matters, on issues concerning potential abuse of dominant market positions and other restrictive practices, and regulatory and trade issues
- Reviewing and advising on horizontal or vertical commercial agreements
- Representing litigants in related damages claims
- Providing consultation and training on Dawn Raids.
- Participating in public consultations organized by the Cyprus Commission for the Protection of Competition with justifiable proposals in relation to reforms on national competition law.
- Advising on adherence to antitrust laws and regulations to ensure the promotion of fair and competitive market practices.





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