



Dušan Valent Managing Associate

Dušan Valent primarily specialises in competition law and control of foreign direct investments.

Dušan has worked on numerous major merger control cases notified to the European Commission. He has experience with cases concerning anticompetitive agreements and abuse of dominance investigated by the European Commission, and by competition authorities in Slovakia, the Czech Republic, and other countries, including countries outside the European Union.

Before joining HAVEL & PARTNERS, he worked for more than four years in the Brussels office of a US law firm.

Projects

- representing HP Tronic and NAY in the merger of their electronics retail chains before the Czech and Slovak competition authorities
- representing Google (a US technology firm) in its acquisition of Fitbit (an American smart watch manufacturer) before the European Commission (the news organization GCR recognized the case as the Merger Control Matter of the Year for 2020)
- representing Alstom (a French manufacturer of rolling stock) in its planned merger with Siemens (a German Technology Conglomerate) before the European Commission
- representing Veolia (a French water and waste management company) in its acquisition of Suez (active in the same field of business as Veolia) before the European Commission and also before other competition authorities in Africa, Asia and South America)
- representing a major US technology company in a cartel investigation before the European Commission

Membership in professional associations

Slovak Bar Association
New York State Bar

Languages

Slovak, English, Czech

Education

University of Chicago, The Law School, Chicago (2017), LL.M.
Palacký University, Faculty of Law, Olomouc (2014), Mgr. (Master of Laws)

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