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I am a Partner in the Brussels office of Fieldfisher in the Energy and Utilities team. I advise on energy law related matters (electricity/gas), renewable energy projects and drafting of energy contracts.

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Professional Profile and Bio

Wouter has expertise in large energy projects and due diligence as well as negotiation with regulators on technical energy law; half is European Law and half is Belgian Law.

He acts before the Belgian Council of State and Constitutional Court, and the European Court of Justice. He is also a researcher for the Institute of Environmental and Energy Law at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, and editor of the legal journal on environmental and energy law (M.E.R.).

Wouter's team is involved in landmark energy cases in Belgium and the EU, including support issues, free movement, gas tenders, Zeebrugge hub, major acquisitions and smart energy or demand response. They also assist in licensing (environmental, building, supply, production etc).

Personally, Wouter tries to be a versatile lawyer with a practical approach. He is able to collect technical information and to identify precisely the problems. He strives to manage and complete projects, with attention to detail.

Wouter recently published articles on smart energy (M.E.R.), gas regulation (GTDT) and on energy arbitration. His speaking engagements include seminars before VOKA, OVED, KULeuven and in-house seminars.

He speaks Dutch (mother tongue), French, English and Spanish, and has basic knowledge of German, Catalan and Russian.

What others say...

“ Wouter Vandorpe is praised for being highly diligent, with sound energy regulatory knowledge; a definite star of the future. ”

Chambers Europe 2020, Energy

“ **Wouter Vandorpe** is recommended as a **Rising Star**. ”

Legal 500 2020 - Industry focus Energy category.