

JOINT-MANAGING PARTNER - BRUSSELS, EU REGULATORY, COMPETITION
AND TRADE

Claudio Mereu

For over 20 years I have focussed on EU Regulatory with an emphasis on the chemicals (REACH), pesticides, biocides and life sciences industry sectors, as well as other regulated industries including medical devices, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, toys, electrical and electronic equipment and fuel additives.

I'm humbled and proud by the fact that I can count the largest global companies, consortia and law firms to my client network with over 20 years of building and deepening on the subjects.

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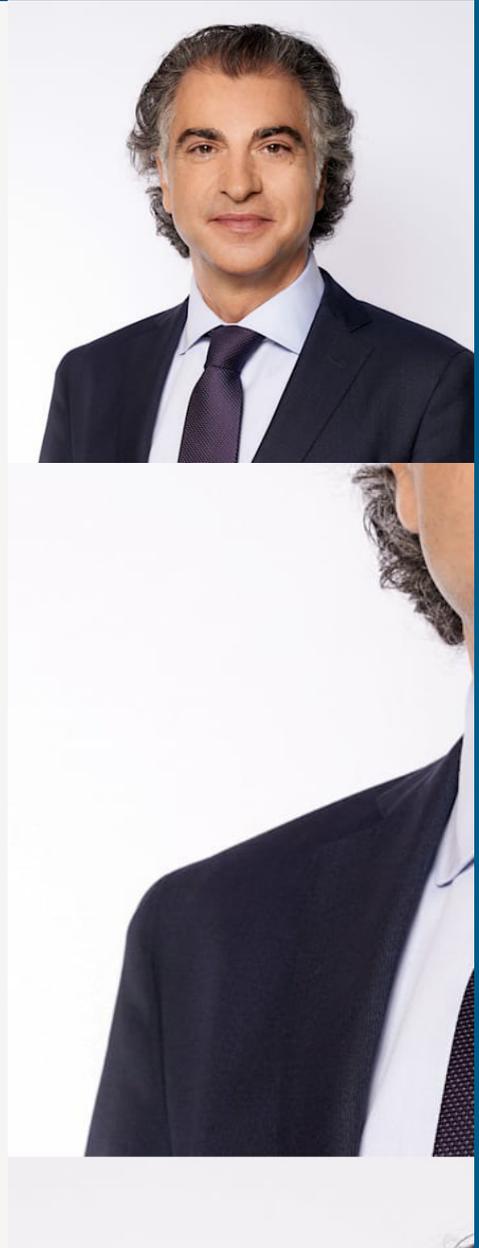
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Professional Profile and Bio

Claudio's practice is focused on European Union law, with an emphasis on the chemicals (REACH), pesticides, biocides and life sciences industry sectors, as well as other regulated industries including medical devices, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, toys, electrical and electronic equipment, and fuel additives (including devising lobbying strategies and general compliance issues).

He handles issues related to product approval in the EU, related litigation before European and national courts as well as WTO panels, and counsels companies on a wide range of business law and antitrust matters relating to their commercial

agreements and presence in Europe.

His expertise covers all aspects of product regulations and restrictions (including notification, data protection, mutual recognition, classification & labelling, marketing and use restrictions, parallel imports, environmental liability, product recalls and data compensation negotiations, among others).

Claudio advises life sciences clients on the importation, regulation and sale of medical devices, pharmaceuticals, GMOs, novel food, food supplements and food contact materials.

He represents chemical companies before the European institutions, member state authorities, scientific committees, and the European courts.

He was involved in the first case of data sharing arbitration in Italy and in a case of alleged abuse of dominant position in pesticides markets, both of which he successfully resolved.

Since then, he has defended a multitude of cases over 20 years in various fora, ranging from EU courts, to ECHA's Board of Appeal, arbitration panels and national courts.

Claudio regularly speaks at international conferences as an expert speaker and panellist on pesticides and chemicals and is highly recommended since many years as "Tier One" and "Leading Individual" by Legal 500, Chambers Europe, Who's Who Legal and the Life Sciences Industry Report.

He has contributed to a number of publications on pesticides, REACH, GMOs and medical devices.

Claudio is Italian-French bilingual and he is fluent in English and Spanish.

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What others say...

“ Claudio Mereu 'gets results' for clients, who appreciate his 'very efficient and positive' approach to cases ”

Chambers 2019

“ 'Responsive and well-resourced', Fieldfisher's team is 'without peer in the EU chemical regulatory area', according to some. Group head Claudio Mereu, praised for his 'encyclopaedic knowledge', recently advised Sea-Bird Scientific on hazardous waste

restrictions ”

The Legal 500 2018

“ Sources say that Claudio Mereu offers creative solutions to regulatory challenges at both the EU and member state levels. Clients remark that Claudio Mereu understands the business and tries to bridge the gap between business needs and legal requirements ”

Chambers and Partners 2017

“ Claudio Mereu is a "very skilled and capable negotiator with deep knowledge of EU law," according to clients. ”

Chambers and Partners 2020

“ Claudio Mereu is the dean of the regulatory bar in Brussels. His depth of knowledge and experience, as well as practical approach, are unparalleled. ”

Legal 500, EU Regulatory: Chemicals, 2020