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Plesner's EU and Competition Law team consists of highly specialised lawyers and economists, some with experience from previous employment with the Danish Competition and Consumer Authority, the Danish Public Prosecutor's Department, Danish Courts, the Ministry of Justice, the Danish Complaints Board for Public Procurement, and the corporate sector.

#### PRACTICE AREAS

EU and Competition Law Litigation

Christian is a partner in Plesner's EU and Competition Law team, and he has extensive experience in the most complex and largest competition law investigations and litigation matters involving cartels, abuses, and damages.

Together with the team, Christian was the first in Denmark to file negative declaratory actions ("torpedoes") in competition-related cases and the only one in Denmark to have practical experience with both the European Commission's leniency programme and settlement procedure.

According to international ranking firms, Christian is considered by clients to be "top-notch for complicated issues," a "strategic mastermind," "extremely analytical and straightforward," and "particularly strong on complex investigations, where every stone needs to be turned." He "thinks outside the box," "has great business acumen," and "is brilliant, always convincing, and extremely impressive in the courtroom" (Chambers and Legal 500).

Christian holds a combined Master of Laws (LL.M.) from the University of Copenhagen and Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, as well as a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in competition law. EU law. and IP law from the University of Cambridge



(Jesus College).

He served as an associate professor at Copenhagen Business School after receiving a secondment to work at Carlsberg's group secretariat. Christian has served as chairman of the Danish Competition Law Society. He is admitted to the Supreme Court of Denmark.

The team has a conscious focus on both a deep commercial understanding of the client's needs and genuine teamwork while constantly challenging conceptions, methods, and analyses.

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## Selected cases

Case News

Ørsted: Defending Ørsted in the "Elsam case"

Case News 18.06.2024

Sampo plc announces a public exchange offer to the shareholders of Topdanmark A/S

Case News 26.03.2024

Dismissal of claim for avoidance of approx. DKK 100m against Thornico

Case News 29.01.2024

The largest merger in Danish history completed today

Case News 21.12.2023

Reitan Convenience and Uno-X take back 57 service stations and enter into new franchise agreements with a number of 7-Eleven franchisees

Case News 13.12.2023

Novozymes and Chr. Hansen obtains competition clearance in Phase I

Case News 08.12.2023

Danish Supreme Court finds for AP Pension in group action concerning change of pension schemes

Case News 30.06.2023

The Supreme Court finds in favour of the Ministry of Taxation in another "beneficial owner" case

Case News 24.05.2023

Viking Life-Saving Equipment A/S successful in extensive transfer pricing court case

Case News 17.05.2023

Leading Supreme Court judgment: Collaboration on concept did not imply ownership in respect of the "Tromborg business"

Case News 04.05.2023

Danish Supreme Court rules against tax payers in two "beneficial owner" cases regarding interest

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Case News 13.04.2023

Danish Eastern High Court rules that Danish courts have jurisdiction in actions against two French companies

Case News 09.03.2023

The Danish Eastern High Court overturns decision from the Danish Competition Council

Case News 09.01.2023

The Danish Supreme Court has given its judgment in the first two Danish "beneficial owner" cases

Case News 20.09.2022

Danish insurance company Codan Forsikring successful in transfer pricing case before the Danish Eastern High Court

Case News 07.09.2022

Employer was allowed to order a Seventh-day Adventist to work on a Saturday

Case News 22.06.2022

Sonion successful in patent litigation against Huawei and Sony

Case News 27.04.2022

Demant A/S intends to divest its Hearing Implants business

Case News 27.01.2022

Trade secrets exploited by competitor. Injunction granted, recall ordered and DKK 4 million awarded in damages

Case News 25.11.2021

The Eastern High Court rules against the tax payers in two new "beneficial owner" cases

Case News 24.09.2021

Nets successful in appeal proceedings against former Nets employee about sell back of employee shares

Case News 11.05.2021

Plesner successful in leading case before the Supreme Court concerning valuation of minority shareholdings subject to compulsory redemption



Case News

03.05.2021

The Eastern High Court rules in favour of NetApp in the "beneficial owner" cases

Case News

22.03.2021

Dismissal of case due to lack of jurisdiction in Denmark

## Ratings



2023 - 2024 The Legal 500

Christian Karhula Lauridsen is recommended and listed as a leading individual as regards EU and Competition.



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Christian Karhula Lauridsen is recommended as a Global Leader as regards Competition.



2023 Chambers Europe

Christian Karhula Laurisen is ranked as a leading individual as regards Competition/European Law.



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