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Hans is a partner in Plesner's Tax team. He is the only Danish tax attorney rated a "Senior Statesman" by Chambers and selected for the Hall of Fame by Legal 500, and his expertise is unparalleled. His unique track record includes conducting the largest and most complex tax cases, often serving as test cases that lead to significant legal and administrative reforms.

PRACTICE AREAS

Tax

With over four decades of experience at Plesner, Hans advises both Danish and international businesses, helping them navigate through intricate tax disputes and regulatory challenges. His work frequently involves high-stakes transfer pricing cases, "beneficial owner" disputes concerning withholding taxes, and issues related to foreign loss deduction rights.

Hans has played a pivotal role in shaping tax law in Denmark. He has chaired the Danish branch of the International Fiscal Association (IFA) and he served as President of the IFA 2013 Congress in Copenhagen. His contributions to the field have been recognised with prestigious awards such as the Karnov Prize and the Christrup Prize, highlighting his exceptional achievements in tax litigation.

Clients and peers alike praise Hans for his deep commercial understanding, clear communication, and ability to simplify complex tax issues.

At Plesner, Hans continues to drive exceptional results, making a significant impact on the legal landscape and delivering value to clients through his unmatched expertise and dedication.

Case News 30.09.2026

The City Court of Copenhagen rules in favour of IT consultant in tax and VAT case

Case News 11.06.2026

High Court rules in favour of pharmaceutical multinational in landmark transfer pricing case

Case News 20.04.2026

Eastern High Court rules in favour of former UN staff in landmark pension tax case

Case News 07.04.2026

The National Tax Tribunal overturns tax increases in a case concerning alleged disguised dividends and taxation of shareholder contributions

Case News 17.03.2026

Transfer pricing dispute resolved through settlement before the Western High Court

Case News 03.10.2025

Plesner advises SCHWENK Zement in first Danish CCS farm-in on Bifrost

Case News 21.05.2025

The Supreme Court rules entirely in favour of EET Group A/S in landmark transfer pricing case

Case News 08.05.2025

Board members can deduct damages

Case News 01.04.2025

RWE sells 49% of the largest offshore wind farm in Denmark - Thor Wind Farm

Case News 18.06.2024

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

Case News 13.10.2023

The National Tax Tribunal reverses the case law of the Danish Tax Agency on additional taxation of foundations' tied-up funds on dissolution

Case News 30.06.2023

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

Case News 04.05.2023

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

Case News 24.02.2023

Vækstfonden raises DKK 2.4 billion in Dansk Vækstkapital III

Case News 09.01.2023

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

Ratings

2026 **Chambers Europe**

Hans Severin Hansen is ranked as a Senior Statesman as regards Tax.

2022-2026 **Legal 500 - Hall of Fame**

Hans Severin Hansen is recommended and has been inducted into the Legal 500 Hall of Fame as regards Tax.

2025 **Chambers Europe**

Hans Severin Hansen is ranked as a Senior Statesperson as regards Tax.

"Hans Severin Hansen is highly skilled"

CHAMBERS EUROPE

2024 **Chambers Europe**

Hans Severin Hansen is ranked as a Senior Statesman as regards Tax.

Hans Severin Hansen is a highly experienced lawyer who is widely recognised for his expertise within the field. He represents clients in cross-border disputes concerning withholding tax and transfer pricing issues.