

Bird & Bird's rapidly growing Competition & EU Law team in Brussels is looking to recruit as soon as possible **a trainee with a passion for EU competition law** and a keen interest in EU trade defence law for a **six-month contract**. The trainee will work closely with our competition and trade law teams across various EU countries. Fluent Dutch, French and/or German is an advantage.

Bird & Bird's Competition & EU Law Group counts more than 50 specialist competition lawyers across our 29 global offices. Our team has significant industry expertise in key sectors of the firm, including communications, IT, aviation, automotive, electronics, energy, payments and many others.

Our Competition & EU Law practice deals with high-profile matters in all key fields of EU competition law including cartels, abusive conduct, merger control and State aid. We also have strong experience in EU litigation, having litigated more than 100 cases before the EU courts in Luxembourg.

Our Brussels-based trade team advises clients in all key areas of EU trade law. In particular, the team helps clients navigate anti-dumping and anti-subsidy investigations and is currently handling a significant number of high-profile assignments before the European Commission and the European courts.

You will become part of a growing team which is establishing itself in the market as one of the go-to practices in Brussels.

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The role

- Becoming a trainee at Bird & Bird is the first step to discover your potential. It's a rich learning experience. You will contribute to cutting-edge cases across a broad range of sectors of industry from day one;
- You will assist our competition and trade lawyers in their day to day assignments. For example, you will have the opportunity to draft submissions and memoranda as well as researching a wide variety of issues;
- You will be actively involved in marketing and business development initiatives (such as client alerts and publications);
- You will build your skills, develop your knowledge from our legal experts and their feedback on your work, and;
- You will find we offer an environment in which people genuinely enjoy working together and learning from each other.

Your profile

We would be interested in hearing from you if you have:

- Obtained excellent results during your studies at a well-respected EU university; an LL.M. in EU (competition/trade) law or an internship in DG COMP or a national competition authority is an advantage;
- An excellent command of English, both orally and in writing; fluent Dutch, French and/or German is an advantage;
- Strong analytical skills;
- The ability to perform under time pressure;

- A commitment to delivering high-quality work;
- A desire to be working hand-in-hand with members of our internal team as well as other practice groups around the globe, in a truly internationally integrated law firm, and;
- An appetite for business development activities.

About Bird & Bird

Bird & Bird is an international law firm which supports organisations being changed by technology and the digital world. We have over 1,300 lawyers, in 29 offices and 20 countries across Europe, the Middle East, Asia-Pacific and North America.

Our Brussels office covers all areas of business law and brings together more than 40 lawyers from 10 different countries.

Submitting your application

If you are interested in applying for this position, register (top left of this page) or click on apply below.

Alternatively you can send your application to BRURECRUITMENT@twobirds.com, including your personal application letter and information on your grades.

If you have any questions, or would like more information, please contact our HR manager Anneke Vermeir on 02 282 60 57, who will be happy to help.