

Jan Dhont

partner - Brussels



Professional profile

Jan Dhont heads the privacy and data protection practice. He was in-house counsel for the Belgian Data Protection Agency and is a recognised expert on privacy and data protection issues in Europe.

He has broad experience in providing privacy compliance solutions for the pharmaceutical, insurance, banking, information technology, direct marketing, travel, recruitment and telecom industries.

The practice was featured in the 2010/2011 edition of Legal 500 for its practical and expert approach.

Areas of specialisation

- Privacy and data protection
- IT and new media
- European and regulatory law
- Litigation and dispute resolution

Education

- University of Brussels (KUB) and Facultés Universitaires Saint-Louis de Bruxelles, LL.M. in Legal Theory and Philosophy, European Academy of Legal Theory, 1998 (magna cum laude)
- University of Leuven (KUL) and University College Galway (Ireland), Law Degree (“Licentiaat in de Rechten”), 1996 (magna cum laude)

Academic activities

- University of Brussels (KUB), Brussels (Belgium), Lecturer on contract law, 1997 - 1998
- University of Namur (FUNDP), Centre de Recherche Informatique et Droit, Namur (Belgium), Legal Researcher in Technology Law & Data Protection, 1998 - 2003

Memberships and affiliations

- Member of the Belgian-Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce for Russia and Belarus
- Member of the Brussels Young Bar Association (VPG)
- Member of the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP)
- Member of the Belgo-Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Prior experience

- Crowell & Moring LLP, Brussels (Belgium)
- Hunton & Williams LLP, Brussels (Belgium)
- Janson Baugniet Advocaten, Brussels (Belgium)
- Legal Advisor to the Belgian Data Protection Authority, Brussels (Belgium)

Languages

English, Dutch & French

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