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Admitted to the Bar in 1980

Languages: French, Dutch, English

Practice areas

Public Law, Infrastructure & Project Finance, Public Procurement & PPP

Other professional activities

- Head of the firm's Public Law Department
- Member of the Communal Law Revue Drafting Committee

Education

- Université Catholique de Louvain, UCL (Law Degree, 1977)
- Université Catholique de Louvain, UCL (Degree in Economical Sciences, 1977)

Why recommended

Eric treats important matters concerning public procurements and the financing of public projects, public utilities such as telecommunications, water, transport and energy.

He is very involved in the liberalisation of public services, by assisting the public authorities through the writing of laws or procedure texts, the creation of new public or private actors, or their reorganisation, often under the form of partnerships between public and private actors

He has invaluable knowledge on how public authorities intervene in the economy: public holdings, inter communal entities, economic expansion laws, public services concessions, public management agreements, etc.

Relevant experience

- Advising the Walloon Region and other public actors on setting up schemes and designs applying to water and waste management, road infrastructures, telecom networks, etc.
- Acting for the Brussels Region, on the reorganisation of the water sector, including financial aspects
- Acting for a public company in charge of the overall water management in the Walloon Region (organisation and financing of the water cycle)
- Acting for inter communal entities, on organisational aspects as well as specific sectors, especially public utilities

Relevant publications

Various publications, conferences and seminars in his areas of activity.

Other relevant experiences

- Advising the Brussels and Walloon regions on the implementation of EU Energy directives. The process involves assisting with the implementation of the new market design and rules throughout the sector, as well as advising on methods of triggering competition
- Advising the federal state and federal bodies for real estate public-private partnerships, and the review of railway management structures
- Acting for the federal State regarding the national airport noise emissions
- Advising the federal State on the drafting of new laws and regulations governing the national airport management and flights routes

Other relevant publications

- *“Très brève relation de la carrière d’un agent contractuel dans la fonction publique locale”* in Rev. De droit communal, 2003, pp 35 onwards.
- *“La fonction publique est morte. Vive la fonction publique”* in Rev. De droit communal, 2003, pp.82 onwards.
- *“L’empire éclaté de la Fonction publique”* in A.P.T., 3-4, 2005, pp. 190 onwards.
- *“Du marché public au partenariat public-privé: l’intrusion de la dimension microéconomique dans la gestion des politiques publiques”*, in Chronique des marchés publics 2007-2008, Bruxelles, EBP, pp. 151 onwards.
- *“Le partenariat public-privé: une démarche qui renouvelle la gouvernance publique”* in Chronique des marchés publics 2008-2009
- *“Les principes généraux du statut des agents de l’Etat, des Régions et des Communautés”*, Journal des Tribunaux, 1991, pp.653 onwards, (in collaboration with Odile Daurmont)
- *“Précis de fonction publique”*, ouvrage collectif, Bruxelles, Bruylant, 1994
- *“Contribution au manuel de droit communal”*, Tomes I et II (Tome II treats about de Centres publics d’aide sociale), ouvrage collectif, éditions Nemsis, Bruxelles, 1992 and 1996
- *“La réduction du rôle et des ressources des communes dans les secteurs de l’eau et de l’énergie: une fatalité?”* in Rev. de droit communal, 2002, pp.169 onwards