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WORK EXPERIENCE

01/06/2022 – CURRENT – Vilnius, Lithuania

Lawyer

Freelance

Currently, I work on a freelance basis as competition law expert. I consult companies and law firms on various competition law issues, give them trainings. I also study various sustainability regulations and have sustainability consultation projects on-going.

02/02/2022 – CURRENT – Vilnius

Founder and Manager at the NGO working refugees children

Viešoji įstaiga Gerumo iniciatyvos vaikams

After the refugees crises started in Lithuania in 2021, I have established an NGO to help refugees detained in Lithuanian refugees camps. My NGO organizes professional sport activities for refugees children in the facilities of the refugee camp in Vilnius. I am fundraising money from private donators and companies to pay for professional football and gymnastic trainings. Currently we are helping also Ukrainian refugees in Lithuania. During the most intensive months of refugees flow to Lithuania in March and April, together with a group of volunteers we were organizing food donation actions for large amount of people in need.

28/05/2020 – 31/05/2022 – Vilnius

Advisor

Competition Council of the Republic of Lithuania

While working with competition law in a law firm I was feeling a big lack of understanding how competition law issues, that my clients where having, were dealt by the Competition Authorities. I realized that in order to be a good competition lawyer I need to understand the functioning of the enforcer from inside. So I made a break in my private law practice and joined the Merger department of the Competition council of the Republic of Lithuania. I was responsible for the investigation of the most complex merger cases, i.e. cases that due to their complexity are typically investigated by an extended case team comprising lawyers and economists. As a leading case handler I was responsible for defining the case strategy, setting the investigation roadmap, complying with the statutory as well as internal deadlines as well as managing the teams.

01/06/2019 – 20/05/2020 – Vilnius

Attorney at law, senior associate

Law firm WALLESS Burgienė, Rečiūnas ir partneriai

At the law firm WALLESS Burgienė, Rečiūnas ir partneriai, I was responsible for the development of the competition law practice. My daily responsibilities were to advise and to represent clients in all competition and commercial law related matters as well as to manage large scale legal projects, involving cooperation with colleagues from other legal practices and external stakeholders like clients' employees, state institutions etc. I was representing clients in courts, before the national Competition Authorities, giving trainings to clients, speaking in conferences. Often, in performing my tasks, I was engaged as the project leader responsible for the defining the project strategy as well as the supervision of its timely and successful implementation.

Vilnius, Lithuania

18/07/2016 – 31/05/2019 – Vilnius, Lithuania

Attorney at law, senior associate

Law firm Ellex, Valiūnas ir partneriai

The law firm Ellex, Valiūnas ir partneriai is the highest ranked competition law practice in Lithuania with the biggest competition law team and the most complex assignments. At this law firm I was responsible for advising and representing clients in all competition law matters, especially relating to mergers and antitrust investigations. I was representing clients in courts, before the national Competition Authorities, giving trainings to clients, setting up and implementing various competition law compliance projects, including preventive forensic investigations with Nuix software (the same which is used by the European Commission).

Lithuania

01/05/2014 – 26/06/2016 – Vilnius

Attorney at law, associate

Law firm SORAINEN

At the law firm Sorainen I was responsible for advising and representing clients in all competition law matters. I was representing clients in courts, before the national Competition Authorities, giving trainings to clients, setting up and implementing various competition law compliance projects. I was the first one to introduce the Nuix software (the same which is used by the European Commission) for the forensic self-investigations as a preventive compliance measure as well as for the defense in antitrust cases in Lithuania. This compliance project was very successful among clients. I was awarded as Raising star in competition law practice in Lithuania by Chambers.

20/04/2013 – 30/04/2014 – Düsseldorf, Germany

Project lawyer

Law firm Hengeler Mueller

After my Blue book traineeship, I have spent one year with the Hengeler Mueller competition law team in Dusseldorf where I helped my German colleagues to represent clients in mergers and antitrust investigations, to prepare and to implement competition compliance programs, trainings and forensic investigations.

Diuseldorfas, Germany

01/10/2012 – 12/04/2013 – Brussels, Belgium

Lawyer, Blue Book Trainee

European Commission, DG Competition, Unit F1

Briuselis

01/11/2007 – 01/04/2012 – Vilnius

Legal traineeship

Law firm Budvytis, Čivilis ir partneriai

Lithuania

01/11/2010 – 30/04/2011 – Bremen, Germany

Lawyer

VOITH Engineering Services Holding GmbH

Brėmenas, Germany

01/09/2009 – 31/03/2010 – Bremen, Germany

Corporate lawyer

LGH Consulting GmbH

Brėmenas, Germany

01/11/2006 – 30/10/2007 – Vilnius, Lithuania

Legal traineeship

Law firm Soloveičikas, Markauskas, Aviža, Bagdanskis | SMA

Lithuania

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

01/10/2009 – 29/06/2012 – Bibliothekstraße 1, Bremen, Germany

LL.M. European and International law

The University of Bremen

Field(s) of study

- European and International law

A | Claims for damages in case of the infringement of the Union competition rules | EQF level 7 | <https://www.uni-bremen.de/en/>

01/09/2007 – 14/01/2009 – Ateities st. 20, Vilnius, Lithuania

Master in law

Mykolas Romeris University

Civilinės teisės magistras

Field(s) of study

- Civil law

9,4 | Bendrosios dalinės nuosavybės teisės daiktinių gynimo būdų ypatumai | EQF level 7 | <https://www.mruni.eu/en/>

01/09/2003 – 14/06/2007 – Ateities st. 20, Vilnius, Lithuania

Bachelor in law

Mykolas Romeris University

Teisės ir valdymo bakalauras

Field(s) of study

- Law and Governance

9,4 | EQF level 6 | <https://www.mruni.eu/en/>

LANGUAGE SKILLS

MOTHER TONGUE(S): Lithuanian

OTHER LANGUAGE(S):

English

Listening
C2

Reading
C2

**Spoken
production**
C2

**Spoken
interaction**
C2

Writing
C2

German

Listening
C2

Reading
C2

**Spoken
production**
C2

**Spoken
interaction**
C2

Writing
C2

Russian

Listening
B2

Reading
B1

**Spoken
production**
B2

**Spoken
interaction**
B2

Writing
A1