CMA appoints Geert Goeteyn as new senior legal director

Press release

The CMA has appointed Geert Goeteyn to the role of Senior Legal Director.



Currently a partner in the antitrust department at Reed Smith in Brussels, Geert will take up his new post in January 2022.

Geert is a highly experienced competition lawyer and senior leader with more than 20 years' private practice experience as a partner. Before joining Reed Smith in 2020, Geert worked at Shearman & Sterling. He has advised clients on all areas of UK and EU competition law including merger control, cooperative arrangements, joint ventures, cartels, dominance issues, private damages actions and state aid.

CMA General Counsel Sarah Cardell, said:

I am really pleased that Geert is joining the CMA, bringing with him a wealth of experience and expertise. He will play an important role in the exercise of our functions, ensuring that our decisions are made on a sound legal basis, promote competition and protect consumers.

Geert Goeteyn said:

As a world leading competition authority, the CMA has been at the forefront of the development of a competition law enforcement framework that is fit for a digital and green economy.

I am thrilled to join the CMA's high calibre and innovative team to ensure competition continues to thrive in these fast-changing times

to the ultimate benefit of consumers and society as a whole.

In his new role, Geert will provide senior legal support on a number of merger and markets cases as well as supporting the new Office for the Internal Market and Subsidy Advice Unit functions.

- 1. This appointment was managed by a Civil Service Commissioner to ensure a fair, merit-based, and open process, in keeping with the Civil Service Recruitment Principles.
- 2. The role was advertised publicly with applicants being asked to submit an application form and cover letter detailing their suitability for the role, as measured against a set of required skills and experience.
- 3. For media enquiries, contact the CMA press office on 020 3738 6460 or press@cma.gov.uk.

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