## Laure Schulz

## Principal, Paris



Laure Schulz is a Principal in RBB Economics' Paris office. She has over ten years of experience in competition economics, both in the public sector and in private practice. Prior to joining RBB in 2016, she was a case handler at the French Competition Authority (FCA) in the Chief Economist Team. Laure graduated from ENSAE ParisTech, where she now gives lectures in competition economics, and holds a Master in Economics from the Paris School of Economics.

Laure is a member of the W@Competition Executive Committee in France. A French national, Laure is fluent in French and English.

Laure has experience of a wide range of competition issues, including mergers, abuse of dominance, vertical restraints, market investigations, estimation damages. In her time at the FCA, she led high profile investigations, including the investigation in relation to parity clauses of online hotel booking platforms and a sector inquiry in the automotive aftermarket industry.

She also worked on many abuse of dominance cases (loyalty rebates, exclusivity agreements, margin squeeze) and wrote several best practice reports ("soft law") published by the FCA on various aspects of competition economics, including a report on the assessment of damages and a joint report with the CMA on Digital Economy awarded "best soft law report" at the Antitrust Writing Awards 2015.

Since joining RBB, Laure has worked on a wide range of practices, including Phase I and Phase Il mergers both in front of National Competition Authorities and the European Commission, margin squeeze, rebates, information exchange, RPM, vertical restraints and damage estimation in private litigations.

Before joining the FCA, Laure worked as an economic consultant, advising on high profile mergers and antitrust cases before the European Commission and the FCA.

Laure's experience spans a wide range of sectors, including telecommunications, automotive industry, e-commerce, fast-moving consumer goods, public transportation, broadcasting, pharmaceuticals, mining industry, car rental and construction materials.

Clients she has worked for include Hertz, Imerys, Essilor-Luxottica, Nespresso, Société Générale, Veolia, Sanofi, Canal Plus and Tronox

## Recent case experience

- **Cosmetics Europe** VBER revision, EU
- **Essilor-Luxottica** Vertical restraints, France
- Tronox/Cristal Merger EU
- **Energizer/ Spectrum Brands** (for a third party) Merger, EU
- Hertz Information exchange, France

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