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8 10

### **Key Specialisms**

- Sustainability & Environment
- Digital Services & Technology Hardware

#### Firm Description

With a presence in over 40 countries across the Americas, Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Asia Pacific, DLA Piper is uniquely positioned to guide clients through the complexities of today's global legal and regulatory landscape. Wherever opportunities arise or challenges emerge, we provide the strategic insight, crossborder expertise, and decisive advocacy needed to achieve results.

Our Brussels-based Regulatory, Trade & Government Affairs practice operates as an integrated global team, working in close collaboration with our leading policy experts in Washington and London to deliver seamless, high-level counsel across the whole legislative cycle, from advocacy and public affairs to compliance and legal advice. From shaping regulatory frameworks

# **About DLA Piper**

to navigating geopolitical shifts, we provide clients with a unified, multijurisdictional perspective to influence outcomes and secure a competitive advantage.

Our clients range from multinational, Global 1000, and Fortune 500 enterprises to emerging companies developing industry-leading technologies. They include more than half of the Fortune 250 and nearly half of the FTSE 350 or their subsidiaries. We also advise and provide diplomatic support to governments and public sector bodies.

#### **Ownership Structure**

Limited Liability Partnership.

#### **International Structure**

DLA Piper's global footprint spans over 40 countries across five continents, uniquely positioning us to navigate clients through complex legal and regulatory challenges worldwide.

Anchored by our well-connected team of accomplished policy advisors—including former EU Commissioners, senior government ministers, and members of the House of Lords—we combine institutional insight with unmatched cross-border execution.

Our Brussels Regulatory, Trade & Government Affairs practice collaborates closely with colleagues in Washington and London to guide clients through an increasingly complex global environment—one characterised by escalating geopolitical tensions, evolving trade barriers and tariff regimes, and growing regulatory divergence that presents challenges for cross-border operations.

Complemented by strategic alliances with leading local firms, we ensure consistent, high-quality service worldwide. When regulatory challenges demand sophistication and influence, clients trust us to deliver results.

#### **Key Strengths**

The DLA Piper Regulatory, Trade & Government Affairs team offers a powerful combination of legal and

policy expertise, helping clients lead with confidence in a fast-moving and politically charged global landscape.

With teams based in Brussels and London, and integrated collaboration across our US, Asia, and global offices, we provide clients with seamless, cross-border support. Our practice is Band 1 ranked (Chambers Regulatory: Government & Public Affairs) and uniquely positioned at the intersection of law, policy, and international business.

We blend the insight of senior policy advisors—including former EU Commissioners, ministers, and members of the House of Lords—with the precision of highly regarded regulatory lawyers. Our professionals regularly contribute to major international forums, including COP summits, and are trusted advisors to multinational companies navigating critical risks and transformative opportunities.

#### We offer:

- Clear, actionable and strategic guidance on complex regulatory regimes across key sectors
- Compliance advice in relation to ESG, digital, life sciences, consumer goods, and emerging tech regulations
- High-level engagement and advocacy before EU institutions, national governments, and international bodies
- Strategic counsel on trade, sanctions regimes, and investment screening
- Robust support in highstakes investigations, enforcement, and litigation
- Guidance on market access, regulatory clearance and supply chain risk management
- High-level policy intelligence and strategic foresight to anticipate and respond to evolving legislative developments

# **Key Clients**

Client currently listed: Anthropic, Currax, Equinix, GVS, Unilever, Coca Cola, Argenx.



# Your partner in successful policy

We help our clients succeed; from local and international businesses to organisations and industry associations.

We help them navigate the complex network of regulation, legislation and standards that govern global policymaking. And we help them understand policy creation and decision-making processes across the EU and beyond. We also ensure their opinion is heard and heeded in Brussels and other global capitals.

Together we can make business better.

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