

Across the world, Dentons has been supporting our clients & communities – here are some examples of how

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Dentons isn't just the **LARGEST** law firm in the world, it's also the **LEADING** – which is why **GOVERNMENTS & PUBLIC BODIES** are turning to Dentons for advice.

- **National government:** Supporting a think tank in Italy to provide **new proposed legislation** to support **future public infrastructure** when the crisis ends.
- **Municipal and provincial governments:** Participating in an **Advisory Committee** in North America providing regulatory advice to enable rapid information sharing between ministries and government agencies (currently prohibited by law) and in a **Law Enforcement and Support Team** and a **Legal Advisory Panel** in China established in response to the pandemic.
- **State-owned enterprises:** Advising on the **FIRST innovative corporate bond issued supporting epidemic prevention and control** in China in each of Hubei Province, Chongqing, Ningbo and Nantong.
- **EU member state, and consequently, the European Commission:** Advising on **extraordinary COVID-19 related insolvency measures**.
- **European federal government:** Assisting in China and Europe to **procure masks** on the Chinese market **for use in its hospitals**, with an estimated total procurement value of **EUR 600 million**.
- **Governmental body:** Reviewing, on a pro bono basis, a draft **regulation on virtual shareholder meetings** due to the current COVID-19 situation for the proper and **efficient functioning of its national securities market**.



Organizations needing **TRULY GLOBAL SUPPORT** turn to Dentons – for multijurisdictional **WORKFORCE, DATA PRIVACY** and **REGULATORY TRACKING** support, in up to **67 countries**.

- **Various international companies:** Helping with **privacy and employment issues** which could touch upon **67 countries**, an analysis across **14 country jurisdictions** on risks associated with **deferring pay increases**, advising on **employer notification obligations** in **32 countries**, and advising on **cost containment measures** in **29 countries**, in light of COVID-19.
- **One of the world's largest insurers:** Advising on the **emerging regulatory position across markets** and what this means for their organization with operations in **50+ countries**.
- **International airline:** Assisting on a **complex employment project** associated with its COVID-19 response, **across multiple jurisdictions**.
- **Hotel chain:** Supporting with legal advice across **Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Spain** and **The Netherlands** on local legislation regarding the effects COVID-19 has on its cancellation policy namely **regarding B2C, B2B, travel bans and emergency legislation**.
- **Multinational consumer products manufacturer:** Assisting on **regulatory approvals in nine markets** for the **expansion** of its new line of medical and sanitizing products to support the needs in the **US, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, South Africa, UK, France, Germany** and **Italy** in addressing COVID-19.



TRUSTED TO DELIVER – when time **REALLY** counts to **RESPOND QUICKLY** to the challenges.

- **Wuhan Lei Shenshan Hospital:** Enabling the now **world-famous** 1500-bed hospital, **to be built in a matter of days** to care for the first wave of patients with COVID-19.
- **Financial services:** Advising on **increasing the size of a trade receivables securitization** to fund **increased production of ventilators urgently required** to treat those seriously ill.
- **FTI Professional Grade Inc.:** Advising on the **multi-million dollar V4C (Ventilators for Canadians) project**, including the main assembly subcontract for the **manufacture of 10,000 ventilators purchased on an emergency basis** by the Government of Canada in response to COVID-19.
- **Life sciences companies:** Assisting an innovative client producing a hand-held, instant, COVID-19 diagnosis kit, **to quickly secure government funding and lender financing** and supporting the work in this sector advising in relation to the **development of treatments and vaccines**.
- **Government and private sector organizations:** Advising in their negotiations to **repurpose hotels, convention centres and university buildings** towards coronavirus treatment and helping **distillery companies repurpose** to produce hand sanitizer.

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Dentons helps **KEEP THE WORLD KEEP TURNING...especially for the benefit of our clients & communities.**

- **Cloud service provider:** Providing regulatory advice to facilitate supply chain management, and the fast action from our team helped to **keep goods moving across 75 countries in COVID-19 critical industries** such as medical products and cleaning supplies.
- **Major international manufacturer of medical devices:** Assisting regarding its global production site in Eastern Europe, paralyzed overnight due to an anti-export COVID-19 regulation issued convincing the government to **amend the law, delist the client's product and it as key producer that must be operational.** Consequently, patients and recipients across the EU, US and other markets did not suffer from any interruption in shipments.
- **Telehealth provider:** Supporting its **accelerated growth following approval** by provincial governments in Canada and government organizations in Europe to **allow the use of telehealth platforms as a reimbursable expense enabling expansion** of the Teleroo® platform so children with disabilities and other patient populations worldwide can receive essential services.



KEEPING CASH AND CREDIT FLOWING during COVID-19 - by supporting financial institutions in relation to:

- **financial hardship requests**, including supporting the **response to customer hardship enquiries** related to COVID-19 through the **secondment of a specialist team of paralegal staff in Australia.**
- implementing **e-service and digital lending** options and supporting programs related to **loan agreement deferrals** as well as other **COVID-related programs financial institutions are developing.**
- regulatory issues, including helping a financial institution based in the EU **draft a review of the regulations the EU Commission is proposing** in light of COVID-19.
- advising a **syndicate of lenders** on a new 12 months **EUR 980 m revolving credit facility** with a 6 months extension option signed by **multinational fashion retail company, H & M Hennes & Mauritz AB**, in order to further strengthen its liquidity buffer and provide financial flexibility in response to the COVID-19 situation.



Where **LEGAL EXPERTISE, INNOVATION and TECHNOLOGY** are required, Dentons is the firm clients turn to.

- **Leading international financial institution:** Sought our support and insight on how **electronic loan documents and electronic signatures** could be **deployed quickly** for their organization to **enable lending and deal flows to continue.**
- **Public sector and private sector organizations:** Helping both in North America to pivot to using **electronic documents and electronic signatures** (including in the health care sector).
- **Cloud services providers:** Advising in North America on the **suspension of data localization laws** so that the company could rapidly deploy in the public sector and advising on the **ability of apps to use forms of geolocation and tracking for coronavirus.**
- **App-based platform:** Assisting to quickly establish a **joint venture** to enable an **app-based home care provider and a ride-sharing company** to work together to **facilitate coronavirus testing** for homebound seniors.

24 Fortune Global 500 clients have turned to Dentons for help tracking government announcements across 60 markets.

Providing you with the tools and information you need – right now



We know the issues clients are grappling with now – because they are telling us. We have therefore designed our COVID-19 hub to provide you with the insights and tools you need at this time, wherever you are based in the world.

Visit [dentons.com](https://www.dentons.com) to learn more.

COVID-19 Government Announcement Tracker

Welcome to the Government Announcement Tracker (GAT). Currently this Tracker contains English language summaries of the announcements from Governments in 50+ countries. Please note that we are delighted to partner with Libryo to also provide a regulatory tracker for the UK (other countries will be added). You can register for this regulatory tracker by clicking [here](#).

If you need further assistance or support, please email: judith.prime@dentons.com

Further information available on COVID-19 [Access the GAT here](#)

We are ready to support you with COVID-19 related challenges. There's lots we can do to help. Check out our COVID-19 Hub on Dentons.com for 250+ insights and our latest resources - plus the following key offers:

- A global tracker for employers regarding your COVID-19 responsibilities
- A free remote working readiness consultation: Click here to request a discussion to check you have what you need in place to implement effective remote working protocols for your inhouse legal team
- Contact our global taskforce for a fast response on any COVID-19 issue you may have
- Dedicated COVID-19 [Data privacy, labor & employment](#), [force majeure](#) hubs

COVID-19 Labor & Employment hub

We know that managing your workforce through the COVID-19 pandemic is a key priority for organizations. This is why we have focused specifically on giving you the information you need to track your responsibilities as an employer, in 63 markets. In this employment hub, you will find a range of resources and insights as well as webinar recordings – and we are adding content all the time – so please check back regularly. If you have any concerns or suggestions regarding how Dentons can help you at this time, please contact our global taskforce.

COVID-19 Global Labor & Employment Tracker
Understand what responsibilities you have as an employer in relation to COVID-19, across multiple countries.

Webinar: Coronavirus (COVID-19): Legal updates for Canadian employers and employees
Click here to register

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Click here to view the webinar recording

Webinar: Current workplace issues in Canada and frequently asked questions
Click here to view the webinar recording

Webinar: Stay at Home Orders and Workforce Implications (US)
Dentons partner John McCawley, CIPP, discusses recent developments on state-wide restrictions, work at home orders, in place orders, and defining essential/non-essential business during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Click here to view the webinar recording

Employment insights – by country

Australia	Canada	Chile
China – Hong Kong	China – Mainland	Czech Republic
France	Georgia	Germany
Hungary	Indonesia	Italy
Kazakhstan	Mauritius	Netherlands
New Zealand	Panama	Poland

COVID-19 (Coronavirus) hub

We are ready to support you with COVID-19 related challenges.

There's lots Dentons can do to help. Our global taskforce is currently developing new resources to support you, so please check back here regularly for new developments.

Please take advantage of:

1. A global taskforce who will respond to the COVID-19 queries your organization has
2. A COVID-19 mailing list – so you can receive insights direct to your inbox
3. A global tracker for employers regarding your COVID-19 responsibilities
4. A free remote working readiness consultation: Click here to request a discussion to check you have what you need in place to implement effective remote working protocols for your inhouse legal team

Key Resources

- Country guides
- Labor & Employment hub
- Force Majeure hub
- Data privacy hub
- COVID-19 12 European market tax comparison summary
- Remote working hub
- Competition & Antitrust hub
- COVID-19's implications for EU public contracts

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Don't miss

Action stations
Want to know what your organization should be doing right now in order to emerge strongly from this crisis?
[Read this](#)

Webinar: Coronavirus (COVID-19): Legal updates for Canadian employers and employees
[Click here to register](#)

Webinar: COVID-19: Global Data Protection Guidance
Please join us on Tuesday 7 April and hear from our privacy practitioners across multiple markets on a range of current issues.
[Click here to register](#)

Webinar: Coronavirus (COVID-19): Legal update for Canadian employers
[Click here to view recording](#)

Coronavirus and initial next steps for Insurers operating in the EU-27
Many businesses and indeed insurers are being caught out by a lack of insurance cover they thought they had.
[Click here to read about some important factors to consider.](#)

COVID-19: Data Privacy Analysis Country Guides
Currently for UK, Italy, The Netherlands, Germany, Poland & Hungary – more to follow

COVID-19: Data Protection Checklist
Covering the broader privacy and data protection issues relative to the coil process

COVID-19: Cyber and Data Security Legal Checklist

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Force Majeure hub

Content is continually being developed on this topic and more information will be shared here. We know that many organizations are concerned about the disputes that could develop at this time because of non-performance issues caused by COVID-19. Our hub contains lots of useful articles and insights, by country, and you can also access our series of videos below – that offer short reflections from our partners across the world.

Checklist

Before you speak to your lawyer, know/prepare:

- The facts – what has happened, why has it happened, why do you or the other party want to rely on the clause, what steps have you taken so far to find resolution
- Is there a Force Majeure clause in your contract – if yes, what does it say? Does it include specific language that seems to apply to a pandemic? Does it incorporate catch-all language that seems to apply to a pandemic?
- Was there a way of avoiding this outcome? Was there any other way to perform under the contract?
- Is there a choice of law or forum clause? What does it say?
- Is there a dispute resolution clause? What does it say?

Force Majeure in the Financial Sector – A PRC perspective

Force Majeure – Updates on Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) – a US perspective
[Click here to view the webinar recording](#)
[Click here to download slides](#)

CHAPTER 1
Essentials of Force Majeure clause: what seems relevant?

CHAPTER 2
What can be counted as a Force Majeure event?

CHAPTER 3
Early on from case studies

CHAPTER 4
Insider view

57,000+ users to date have experienced the value of Dentons COVID-19 hub

Endorsed by many of the world's leading companies, across sectors and markets, here's a small selection of the feedback we have received

"Thanks Dentons Team – while you might not be getting responses from us very quickly these days, it's important that you know that these materials are hugely helpful to our teams. We've all been distributing them throughout the world. Thank you for staying on top of things and pulling together this comprehensive database so quickly."

—Leading Global Chemical Manufacturer

"Thank you for this valuable tool that provides precise information about the legal situation in our country. It will certainly be very helpful."

—Global business consulting, information technology and outsourcing service company

"I think the hub is an amazing tool."

—Global media company

"I shared this with my Asia team colleagues and they came back saying they found your guide really useful."

—Global technology manufacturing company

"I have indeed seen the Dentons resources and we are actually sending them forward to our portfolio companies already since they are the best I have seen on the market so far. Keep up the good work."

—Leading Scandinavian venture fund

"Thank you for access to the information sources on CV 19."

—Global financial institution

"I must say the global labor law matrix developed by your firm is really helpful. I have shared it with our global team and China team. They have shared the same view."

—Global fast food retailer

"A very comprehensive tool for the management of the crisis with various legal information on how to manage this exceptional situation. A robust source of information for all of us."

—Global biopharmaceutical company