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Overview

Zuzana is Co-head of the Europe Life Sciences Group and the Life Sciences Group Coordinator. She coordinates activities relating to the organization and development of the group, its cooperation with other sector and practice groups within the firm, knowledge management, and is also involved in designing training programs for life sciences law practitioners and others. She also has experience in mentoring younger colleagues. She has more than 15 years of experience advising clients in the pharmaceutical sector in CEE and Europe on a variety of regulatory issues, including clinical trials, market access, pricing and reimbursement, compliance, distribution and sales models, promotion and advertising of medicines and medical devices, setting up and coordinating international compliance programs, as well as representing clients before regulators. Zuzana has also extensive experience in life sciences, regulatory aspects of M&A and corporate transactions. Before joining Dentons, Zuzana was a co-lead of the European Life Sciences regulatory group at a magic circle law firm in Paris. She also spent a number of years as an associate in London, where she focused on competition issues in the pharmaceutical sector. She is currently based in Denton's Bratislava office.

Recognition

- *Chambers Europe*, 2019: Zuzana was ranked in Band 3 in Competition/Antitrust in the Slovak Republic with clients appreciating her *"professional approach and reliability."*
- *Chambers Europe*, 2018: Zuzana was ranked in Band 3 in Competition/Antitrust in the Slovak Republic. *"She is business and client-oriented, solution-driven and always has a helicopter view."*
- *Legal 500*, 2018: *"...competition expert Zuzana Šimeková is solutions-orientateč"*
- *IFLR1000*, 2018 and 2019: Zuzana was recognized as a *"Highly regarded lawyer"* in M&A practice area in the Slovak Republic.
- *Chambers Europe*, 2014: *"Zuzana Šimeková's highly recommended practice encompasses merger filing and regulatory work. She is regarded as a "very experienced" lawyer by peers."*
- *Chambers Europe*, 2012 *"She is extremely diplomatic and extraordinarily proficient."*

Insights

- Country Question and Answer Chapter for Slovakia, The International Comparative Legal Guide to: Pharmaceutical Advertising 2016
- Private enforcement of EU competition law in pharmaceutical sector, 2012
- "Reform of pharmaceutical legislation in Slovakia," Health Policy Institute publication, 12/2011
- "Dual competences of telecom and competition regulators: pros and cons," Jurisprudence 7 - 8/2007
- "Assessment of cartel agreements," Jurisprudence 4, 2006

Activities and Affiliations

Memberships

- Slovak Bar Association (2006)

Prior and Present Employment

- Co-head of Europe Life Sciences Group and Life Sciences Group Coordinator, Bratislava (2020 – present)
- Partner, Dentons, Bratislava (2015–2020)
- Senior Associate, Allen & Overy, Paris (2013–2015)
- Senior Associate, Allen & Overy, Bratislava (2010–2013)
- Associate, Allen & Overy, Bratislava (2002–2010)
- Paralegal, Altheimer & Gray, Bratislava (2001–2002)

Areas of focus

Practices

- Life Sciences
- Compliance

Industry sectors

- Life Sciences

Education

- Charles University School of Law, 2013, JUDr.
- Charles University School of Law, 2012, PhD, Competition and pharmaceutical law
- College of Europe, 2005, LL.M., EU Competition law
- Comenius University, 2002, Master of Law

Languages

- English
- French
- Slovak