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Practice Areas

- Corporate/Securities
- Labor & Employment
- Plaintiff's Recovery
- European Practice
- Technology, Media & Telecommunications
- Arbitration
- International Business
- Complex Litigation
- Financial Services
- Product Risk Management
- International Dispute Resolution
- International Arbitration
- International Litigation
- Renewable Energy

Emmanuel Gybels is the managing partner of the firm's Brussels office. He focuses on commercial and corporate law matters and dispute resolution.

Mr. Gybels was admitted to the Brussels bar in 1988, after obtaining a law degree from the Catholic University of Leuven and a DES en droit Economique (Economic Law) from the Université Libre de Bruxelles.

Mr. Gybels advises national and multinational companies on corporate transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, restructuring and due diligence investigations, with a focus on industry sectors where intellectual property plays a significant role.

He regularly assists companies in establishing, monitoring and restructuring their European presence. He hereby advises on a wide variety of commercial matters, distribution strategies, contract drafting and negotiations

As a member of the firm's Product Risk Management team, and chair of its international focus group, he advises corporations on the legislation, including product recalls, applicable to their products when put on the EU market and on issues regarding the access to that market.

Emmanuel is an active litigator on corporate and commercial matters. He represents clients in front of all Belgian jurisdictions, the ECJ, and various arbitration forums such as Cepina, the ICC, the SCC and ad hoc tribunals. He

is a member, and appointed arbitrator, of Cepina and the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).

He is a member of the corporate and new technologies committees of the AIJA and regularly speaks at conferences and professional education seminars relating to the transactional and contractual aspects of new technologies. He has published various articles on fair trade practice, e-business related issues and new litigation techniques.

Mr. Gybels is recommended for Dispute Resolution in Global Law Experts 2010.

Education

- Free University of Brussels, Economic Law
- Catholic University of Leuven (1988)

Affiliations

Mr. Gybels is a member of the Belgian Center for Arbitration and Mediation (CEPANI), the London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), and the Interactive Advertising Bureau (IAB).

Admitted to practice: in Belgium and before the European Court

Registered Foreign Practitioner London

Publications

- "Groepsgeeding geen boeman," *De Tijd* (September 19, 2009). Author: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Collective Action," *Legal Week* (March 26, 2007). Author: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Class actions zijn niet noodzakelijk een Vloek," *De Tijd* (March 9, 2007). Author: Emmanuel Gybels.

Alerts & Newsletters

- "Are You Leaving Duty Refunds on the Table? Pursuing Duty-Free Imports Under the Information Technology Agreement," *International Trade Bulletin* (May 18, 2011). Contacts: John B. Brew, Daniel Cannistra, Melissa Coyle, Emmanuel Gybels, Laurent Ruessmann.

- "Proposed new rules for marketing biocidal products in the EU," *Product Risk Management Alert* (July 1, 2009). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "EU Developments Place Nanotechnology In The Limelight And Increase The Likelihood Of Regulatory Measures," *Product Risk Management Alert* (April 30, 2009). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Changes to EU laws affecting electrical and electronic appliances: UK government publishes consultation on RoHS & WEEE revisions," *Product Risk Management Alert* (April 21, 2009). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "European Trade Union Confederation proposes list of 306 hazardous chemical substances for regulation under REACH," *Product Risk Management Alert* (April 9, 2009). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "EU publishes eco-design measure on power consumption of set-top boxes," *Product Risk Management Alert* (February 6, 2009). Contacts: Emmanuel Gybels, Elliott P. Laws.
- "Recent developments in EU chemicals policy: ozone-depleting substances, packaging and labeling of chemicals, and REACH," *Product Risk Management Alert* (January 26, 2009). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Deadline Fast Approaching For Businesses Exporting Chemicals (And Certain Products Containing Chemicals) Into EU," *Product Risk Management Alert* (October 27, 2008). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "S.I.N. List Proposal For The Replacement of 267 Chemicals in The EU," *Product Risk Management Alert* (September 23, 2008). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Upcoming 14 August deadline for hazardous chemicals in the EU," *Product Risk Management Alert* (August 7, 2008). Contact: Emmanuel Gybels.

Speaking Engagements

- "Product Risk Management: A Product Lifecycle Approach To Identifying, Mitigating And Managing Legal Risks," Washington, DC (October 19, 2011). Speaker: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Transnational Aspects of E-discovery," Federal Judicial Centre's E-Discovery Seminar for Federal Judges, Washington, D.C. (June 27-29, 2011). Speaker: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Legal Professional Privilege in the EU," Seminar of the Association of Corporate Counsel, San Francisco (January 13, 2011). Speaker: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "New litigation techniques," IBJ-IJE Seminar, Brussels, Belgium (September 16, 2010). Presenter: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Consumer collective redress," 4th European Forum for In-house Counsel, Academy of European Law (April 23, 2009). Speaker: Emmanuel Gybels.

- "Communication and Legal Aspects of Restructuring", Amcham Belgium Seminar, Brussels, Belgium (April 16, 2009). Panelist: Emmanuel Gybels.
- "Collective Redress, A European practitioner's view," ERA Seminar, Trier, Germany (4 October 2007). Speaker: Emmanuel Gybels.