

Corporate - M&A

A wealth of expertise



Laga's Corporate-M&A department consists of more than 30 qualified lawyers, with a practice focus on all aspects of corporate law, M&A, private equity and capital markets. Our team provides a full range of services and is involved in Belgian and cross border transactions as well as advisory work.

Our practice is recognised as one of the leading practices in Belgium by Chambers & Partners (Global and Europe editions), Legal 500 and IFLR. Our team acts for the different stakeholders in transactions.

Areas of expertise

Our team advises clients in connection with:

- M&A
- Private Equity/Venture Capital
- Corporate restructurings
- Shareholders structures
- IPO and secondary public offering
- Takeover bids
- Corporate governance
- Share based incentive schemes
- General corporate law

Where appropriate to ensure a seamless and comprehensive high-quality service, the Laga team very regularly works closely and on a good friends basis with selected local law firms that are prominent in their respective jurisdictions, as well as with financial, assurance and advisory, tax and consulting specialists. Through its proven experience with foreign law firms, the Laga Corporate - M&A practice provides a credible choice for domestic and cross-border corporate and corporate finance transactions.

Credentials

A selection of recently closed transactions

M&A

Crédit Mutuel Nord Europe

on its acquisition of Citibank Belgium

Pinguin

on its acquisition of Lutosa

Fujirebio

with the acquisition of Innogenetics from Abbott Laboratories

Free Record Shop

on its acquisition of the "Game Mania" group, consisting of 27 game shops all over Belgium

Hon Holding

on a number of acquisitions including Lanckriet-group which is active in the retail sale of electric household articles

Telenet

in the acquisition of BelCompany from Macintosh Retail Group through a sale of branch of activity

Cobepa

on its divestment of All Crump to Natra

De Post

on its divestiture of its French division Asterion to Pitney Bowes

Gadot Chemical & Tankers

with the acquisition of ADPO Ghent

FN Herstal

on its acquisition of Noptel

Loomis

on its bid for Brink's Belgium

PinguinLutosa

on its acquisition of the Scana Noliko group from Gimv

The shareholders of De Bock Transport

on the divestiture to Jost Group

Clients are particularly impressed with this team's fluency in Dutch, English and French, and with its deep knowledge of corporate laws and fixed regulations.

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Private Equity

GIMV

on its divestment of SFINC to Axa Private Equity

Vendis Capital

with its investment in ZEB

EpiGaN

in connection with the IP License Agreement with IMEC and the structuring and negotiation of its Series A Financing Round, including national and international investors (LRM, Capricorn, Robert Bosch Venture Capital)

Amakem

in connection with the Series C Investment (LRM, PMV, DevGen, LSRP (Life Sciences Research Partners, Forbion Capital Partners (NL), Vesalius Biocapital Partners, Crédit Agricole Private Equity), including SOP, Anti-dilution, etc.

The shareholders of Abelag

on the MBO arranged by Sofindev

The shareholders of Arets Graphics

on the MBO arranged by Fortis Private Equity

The shareholders of Verhaeren Group

on the sale of a 30% stake to GIMV

PMV

on the acquisition of a participation in Norkring België

Capital Markets

Immo Moury

on its initial public offering on Euronext

Picanol NV

with the legal aspects of the capital increase, the exit of minority shareholders and of the public offering of the newly issued shares

Pinguin

on its secondary public offering on Euronext

ING, Petercam and Dexia

as underwriters in connection with the public offering of real estate REIT Warehouses De Pauw Comm VA on Euronext Brussels and Euronext Paris

Sarens

on its private placement of shares subscribed by Waterland Private Equity

PinguinLutosa

on its private placement subscribed by Gimv-XL fund

Ores - Bank Degroof

in its bond offering

Sarens

on its bond private placement

Ghelamco Group

on its bond issue under a private placement

Betafence

on its transfer of logistic site through a partial demerger to Warehouses De Pauw

Montea

on its capital increase by contribution in kind relating to Brucargo deal

Laga is able to apply a strong, talented team that will find investor-pleasing, pragmatic solutions at short notice.

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