

# Maurice de Valois Turk

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## Expertise

- Mergers

## Sectors

- Telecoms, Media and Technology

## Profile

Maurice is head of Oxera's Amsterdam office and jointly heads the firm's Mergers practice. He is a highly experienced competition economist and financial analyst, advising companies on how to deal with merger investigations and regulatory matters. He has advised notifying firms as well as third-party interveners in the context of mergers (unilateral, coordinated, vertical or conglomerate effects). In addition, he has extensive experience with remedies, having acted as monitoring trustee on multiple mandates as well as being project manager for the creation and implementation of various merger remedies.

Maurice is a non-governmental adviser to the International Competition Network on behalf of the European Commission, and is active in the Mergers workgroup. As well as the European Commission, he has worked with competition authorities across Europe (in Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, the Netherlands, Poland and Switzerland). He has also assisted telecoms and media firms with a range of matters covering regulation and market power.

Before joining Oxera, Maurice worked for seven years as an in-house economist with Liberty Global and KPN, and for 14 years with various consultancy firms.

## Selected professional experience

- Economic expert report for international firm under investigation for conduct infringement with the Netherlands competition authority (ACM) (2020–)
- Advice to Telenet and DPG Media in obtaining phase 1 clearance with the European Commission for the formation of a joint venture (2020)
- Advice to a chemicals firm on potential merger filing with the European Commission (2020)

- Advice to Liberty Global in obtaining clearances from the Swiss competition authority (WEKO) for the combination of its Swiss activities and Sunrise (2018–20); this project was shortlisted for the 2020 GC Awards in the category ‘European Merger Control Matter of the Year’
- Support for VodafoneZiggo in its appeal against the Netherlands competition authority’s market review decision for Wholesale Fixed Access (2018–20)
- Advice to a third party in the Netherlands competition authority’s (ACM) investigation of the Sanoma–Iddink merger (2019)
- Advice to A&M Invest in obtaining conditional phase 2 clearance from the Belgian competition authority (BMA) for the acquisition of the Coox car dealerships as well as other transactions (2018–)
- Advice to a third party in the European Commission’s investigation of the T-Mobile NL/Tele2 NL merger (2018)
- Advice to Telenet in obtaining phase 1 clearance from the Belgian competition authority (BMA) for the acquisition of Nextel (2017–18)
- Advice to Liberty Global in the re-notification of the acquisition of Ziggo with the European Commission (2017–18)
- Advice to Telenet in obtaining phase 1 conditional clearance for the acquisition of SFR Coditel from the Belgian competition authority (BMA) (2017–18)
- Advice to Telenet in obtaining phase 2 conditional clearance for the acquisition of Base, and subsequent Commission interaction relating to remedy implementation (2015–18)
- Advice to Telenet in obtaining phase 2 conditional clearance for the acquisition of joint control of de Vijver Media, and subsequent Commission interaction relating to remedy implementation (2014–18)
- Advice to Liberty Global on the European Commission phase 2 investigation into its acquisition of Ziggo, and subsequent Commission interaction relating to remedy implementation (2014–18)
- Advice to Liberty Global on its acquisition of Multimedia Polska, including an in-depth investigation by the Polish competition authority UOKiK (2012–18)
- Advice to Liberty Global on the European Commission inquiry into its joint venture with Vodafone (2016)
- Advice to Liberty Global in its intervention in an Irish mobile merger and coordination of subsequent MVNO remedy implementation (2013–15)
- Advice to Liberty Global in its intervention in an Austrian mobile merger and coordination of subsequent MVNO remedy implementation (2012–14)
- Advice to Liberty Global in obtaining phase 1 clearance for the acquisition of Virgin Media (2012–13)
- Monitoring trustee in multiple European Commission cases (industrial gases, shipping, decorative coatings, interchange fees, bank state aid, airlines, publishing, energy) (2003–12)
- Advice to Holland & Barrett on analysis to support the failing firm’s defence in its acquisition of Julian Graves (2009)
- Advice to Wolters Kluwer on competition aspects of two proposed acquisitions (2006)
- Advice to Antenna Hungária on an investigation into excessive pricing (2006)
- Advice to Casema on an investigation into excessive pricing for analogue TV packages (2005)

## Selected publications

- Dechamps, P. and de Valois Turk, M. (2020), 'Mixed signals? Where Does the Hutchison Judgment Leave Economic Analysis of Non-Coordinated Effects?', *Journal of European Competition Law and Practice*, 11:9, pp. 531–36.
- Rosenboom, N., den Boer, A., Damstra, L. and de Valois Turk, M. (2020), 'Kroniek economie in het mededingingsrecht 2019', *Markt&Mededinging* 2020, 2, pp. 53–65.
- Rosenboom, N., den Boer, A. and de Valois Turk, M. (2019), 'Kroniek economie in het mededingingsrecht 2018', *Markt&Mededinging* 2019, 2, pp. 58–69.
- De Valois Turk, M. (2012), 'Merger Remedies beyond the Competition Concern: When Could You End up Giving More?', *Journal of European Competition Law & Practice*, 3:5, 1 October, pp. 495–499.
- De Valois Turk, M. (2009), 'The EC's revised remedies notice: the trustee's perspective', *European Competition Law Review*, 30, July, pp. 332–339.
- De Valois Turk, M. (2006), 'Wat levert kabelregulering per saldo op?', *Economische Statistische Berichten*, January.

## Qualifications

- Diploma Strategy & Innovation, Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, UK
- MA Regulation & Competition Policy, University of East Anglia, UK
- MA Corporate Finance, University of Maastricht, the Netherlands