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Consultant

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Expertise

- Antitrust
- Antitrust Damages
- Mergers
- Public Policy and Impact Assessment
- Sustainability and Climate Change

Sectors

- Transport

Profile

Caroline is a member of Oxera's Competition and Transport teams, and works on projects across Europe. She applies her strong analytical skills to a range of cases, such as impact assessments, mergers and antitrust damages. Her work focuses on the aviation and rail sectors, often in conjunction with questions around competition, data access, or the climate transition.

Caroline holds Master's degrees from ULB Solvay (Brussels), and from the College of Europe (Bruges). During her studies, she specialised in economics, with a focus on European policy and industrial organisation. Prior to joining Oxera, she completed an internship at the Belgian Ministry of Economics, where she focused on data analysis in a number of sectors.

Selected professional experience

- Quantified damages in relation to an abuse of dominance in the beverage market (2020)
- Supported a client regarding a case concerning predatory pricing in the rail sector brought forward by the European Commission (2019–20)
- Analysed the economic case for data sharing in the public transport sector (2019–20)
- Assessed the impact on competition of a series of car dealership mergers (2019–20)
- Quantified damages in relation to cartels in the car industry (2019–20)
- Assisted a client during a cartel procedure carried out by the Dutch Competition Authority (2018–19)
- Assessed the impact of sectoral labour regulation on business in a segment of the health market (2019)

- Supported various clients in the UK water sector throughout Ofwat's draft determination process (2018–19)
- Supported the team in a digital sector impact assessment (2018)
- Assessed the distortions to competition arising from consumer compensation laws in Europe (2018)
- Assisted a client during a market investigation carried out by the UK Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) (2018)
- Quantified damages in relation to a cartel in the UK construction sector (2018)

Selected publications

- Bates, M. and Franzen, C. (2020), 'Economic incentives throughout the lifecycle of an electric vehicle', ETC Conference Papers 2020.

Qualifications

- MA European Economic Studies, College of Europe, Belgium
- MSc Business Economics, Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium
- BSc Economics, Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium