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Consultants

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Expertise

- Antitrust
- Antitrust Damages
- Market Investigations
- Mergers

Sectors

- Digital
- Financial Services
- Telecoms, Media and Technology
- Transport

Profile

Antoine is a member of Oxera's Competition team and has worked on various competition cases, including antitrust litigation, antitrust damages cases, mergers, state aid assessments, and commercial disputes. He has worked on projects across sectors including telecoms and media, payment systems, transport (rail and airports) and waste management. He has significant experience undertaking statistical analysis, including designing discrete choice experiments ('conjoint surveys'), in competition cases. He has also developed financial models in various contexts, including in relation to commercial disputes.

Antoine joined Oxera in February 2021 after completing an Advanced Master's in Quantitative Methods for Economic and Financial Decisions at ENSAE, and a Master's in Corporate Finance and Strategy at Sciences Po (Paris). During this time, he participated in a three-month student 'business project' where he analysed real e-commerce data provided by a major competitor to Amazon in France.

During his studies, Antoine completed internships at a competition economics consultancy in Paris and at the economic research department of Coface, a leading trade credit insurer. Before joining Oxera, he worked for several years at the OECD as an economic analyst in the fields of public procurement and regional and urban development and co-authored several OECD reports in these fields.

Selected professional experience

- Undertaking a market power assessment in relation to Lyon Airport, including benchmarking of the airport's financial performance (2022)

- Commercial damages case for a French operator in the gas sector: analysis of the damages resulting from delays in the fulfilment of contract obligations to third parties (2022)
- Expert economic advice in France to Renault following infringements of Article 101 TFEU by a ball bearings manufacturer (2022)
- Analysis to support market investigation and regulation projects in the rail sector in France and the UK (2021–22)
- Empirical analysis to support an antitrust damages case before the EU national courts brought by merchants against Mastercard regarding multilateral interchange fees (2021–22)
- Advising clients in relation to a number of antitrust cases in the waste sector in France (2021–22)
- Empirical analysis in the context of a UK Collective Damages case brought against BT (2021–)
- Developing conjoint surveys of advertisers to support the notification of mergers between TV channels in France and the Netherlands, with a focus on market definition and the quantitative SSNIP test (2021)

Selected publications

- Descamps A., Comps. A, Hesselings. M and Leppert D. (2022), 'The use of discrete choice experiments in applied economic analysis', Agenda, April.
- OECD (2019), 'Public Procurement in Kazakhstan: Reforming for Efficiency', OECD Public Governance Reviews, OECD Publishing, Paris, <https://doi.org/10.1787/c11183ae-en>.
- OECD (2019), 'Reforming Public Procurement: Progress in Implementing the 2015 OECD Recommendation', OECD Public Governance Reviews, OECD Publishing, Paris, <https://doi.org/10.1787/1de41738-en>.
- OECD (2018), 'Regional development trends in Ukraine in the aftermath of the Donbas conflict', in Maintaining the Momentum of Decentralisation in Ukraine, OECD Multi-level Governance Studies, OECD Publishing, Paris, <https://doi.org/10.1787/9789264301436-en>.

Qualifications

- Advanced Master's in Quantitative Methods for Economic and Financial Decisions (Applied Economics and Corporate Finance), ENSAE, France
- Master's in Corporate Finance and Strategy, Sciences Po Paris, France
- Bachelor's in Economics and Law, Sciences Po Paris, France
- Econometrics of Cross-section Data with Applications, Microeconometrics Summer School, Barcelona GSE
- Quantitative methods for competition analysis course (QCMA), Barcelona GSE