



OUR FIRM

DALDEWOLF is a proudly independent full-service law firm seated in Brussels, at the centre of the European Union. Daldewolf is also proud to provide services from its other office located in Kinshasa. It also has an office in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo.



Being one of the oldest eight law firms in Belgium (since 1958), we provide comprehensive legal services for Belgian, European and international clients.

We are renowned in Belgium for handling complex transactions, litigations, arbitrations and other legal matters. Our firm is recognized as well in the legal community, especially in the French speaking part, as a professional and prestigious law firm.

Our firm is proud to count many lawyers with international profiles, as they are members of the Brussels bar, Kinshasa bar, New York bar, Paris bar and Geneva bar. They can provide multi-linguistic services for clients from all over the world.

Our firm is also part of the Geneva Group International (GGI) network, an international alliance of legal and financial professionals, present on all five continents.

Our firm is also proud of the considerable contribution made to the legal profession; our lawyers are board members of the Academy of European Law (ERA), the Belgian Centre for Arbitration and Mediation (CEPANI), the International Chambre of Commerce in Belgium (ICC Belgium), and Search for Common Ground. In addition, our lawyers are regular lecturers and professors.



INTERNATIONAL DESKS



European Union

Ideally situated in Brussels and close to all EU institutions, we have a team of lawyers specialized in EU restrictive measures, sanctions, public procurement and litigations in front of the Court of Justice of the EU.

OHADA Desk

DALDEWOLF is renowned for its knowledge and practice, for more than 20 years, of the African legal and business market. The scope of action of the firm is continental, with a particularly strong expertise in the Great Lakes region (DRC, Rwanda, Burundi) and in West Africa.

US Desk

With a team of lawyers qualified to the New York bar, our US Desk provides comprehensive legal services to US companies in investing into Belgium or in other EU countries.

Italy Desk

Our Italy Desk is composed of Italian speaking lawyers who can provide legal advices to Italian enterprises seeking their way into the Belgian market.



Practices



Arbitration, Complex Litigation & Mediation



Banking & Financial Services Law



Corporate & Financial Law



Economic Law



Employment Law



EU Law



Food Law



Public & Administrative Law



Real Estate & Construction Law



Tax Law

Recognition



Global Chambers - DISPUTE RESOLUTION: ARBITRATION - Belgium - 2023

"Marc Dal is a very intelligent and sharp lawyer."

Global Chambers – General Business Law – Expertise Based Abroad in Congo Democratic Republic of Congo 2023

Brussels-based Patrick De Wolf possesses expertise in OHADA, corporate law, and arbitration. He has a strong track record in renewable energy, investment projects and construction, and a longstanding reputation for his involvement in the DRC.



Legal 500 – EU REGULATORY: FOOD – TIER 1 – 2022

"Aude Mahy is exceptional. Few lawyers are available in food and safety law with such a knowledge of the market."

Leaders Leagues Ranked Firm 2023



Belgium – Best Law Firms for White-Collar Crime – 2023

Belgium – Best Law Firms for Corporate / M&A – 2023

Belgium – Best Law Firms for Restructuring & Insolvency – 2023



CHINA DESK

DALDEWOLF China Desk provides legal services for projects, transactions and contracts involving Belgian and Chinese parties, both for inbound investments and outbound investments.

From China to Belgium/EU

Services:

- ✓ entrance advice on Belgian / EU market
- ✓ structuring of investment
- √ corporate set-up
- ✓ FDI screening notification
- √ commercial contracts
- ✓ acquisition and joint venture
- ✓ hiring and firing procedure
- √ international mobility
- √ tax optimization
- ✓ real estate and construction law advice
- ✓ litigation and arbitration
- ✓ EU law

From Belgium to China

Services:

- √ corporate
- ✓ FDI
- √ dispute resolution

DALDEWOLF has a team of inhouse legal experts who speak Mandarin, Dutch, French, English, German, Albanian, and Italian.

China Desk works, on a non-exclusive basis, with law firms in China, and other China Desks of law firms located in France, Germany, the Netherlands, Luxembourg, and other eastern and southern European countries.

DALDEWOLF China Desk is a member of the Association of Chinese Lawyers in Europe.



Recent China Desk transactions

- ✓ assisted a Chinese consortium in its sale of all the shares of Lingang Overseas Zeebrugge Modern Industrial Park Development Company. The deal included 15 ha of land in the Maritime Logistic Zone (MLZ) of Zeebrugge on which a site of 73,000 m² is being developed.
- ✓ assisted 5ELEM group, located in Jiangsu, China, in relation to the acquisition of majority shares in NordiTube Technologies SE, a global leading technology provider for trenchless pipe rehabilitation.
- ✓ assisted a Chinese hi-tech group in the restructuring of its European holding company in Belgium, including all subsidiaries in other European countries.
- ✓ assisted a Chinese logistic group in taking over the business unit of a Belgian company and transfer of all employees.
- ✓ performed legal due diligence on multiple Belgian subsidiaries of Chinese groups and issued legal opinions within the scope of IPO listing by their Chinese shareholders.
- ✓ regularly advices the Belgian subsidiaries of Chinese groups on daily legal matters, such as employment, corporate governance, commercial contract, or local litigations.
- ✓ regularly provides one-stop services for the incorporation of multiple companies, NGOs, and non-profit organizations in the pharmaceutical, energy, logistics, mobile, IT and other sectors.



Team profile



Languages: Mandarin, English and French

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Xiufang (Ava) TU

Head of China Desk/Corporate M&A

Ms. Tu is qualified to practice in Belgium, registered with the Brussels Bar. She is also qualified in the PRC since 2009.

Ms. Tu completed a Bachelor and a Master of PRC laws in East China University of Political Science and Law (Shanghai), she then obtained a LLM in EU law at the Leuven University and a Master of Belgian laws (equivalence) at ULB, Belgium.

Before joining DALDEWOLF, she worked in several law firms in Shanghai and Brussels. She was also an inhouse legal counsel in an insurance group.

Over the years, she has developed a wide expertise in company law, merger and acquisitions, joint-ventures, contracts, and transactions involving Chinese and Belgian parties. She also represents European clients in front of arbitration centres and handles disputes involving Chinese parties (with CIETAC). She focuses her expertise on foreign direct investment and cross-border arbitration.

Xavier VAN DER MERSCH

Corporate M&A

Mr. Van der Mersch is qualified in Belgium and in the United Stated, registered with the Brussels Bar and the New York Bar.

Mr. Van der Mersch specialises in mergers and acquisitions, private equity, and capital markets transactions. He also advises companies and their managers on corporate litigation.

As a result of his regular involvement in restructuring operations, he has also developed an expertise in all areas of employment law with which companies are confronted.

Prior to joining the firm, Xavier practiced for eight years in the New York and Brussels offices of Cleary, Gottlieb, Steen & Hamilton and then for 20 years with McGuireWoods.

