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Erik Brändt Öfverholm is the Head of Regulatory and Government Affairs at DLA Piper, specializing in competition law and foreign direct investment (FDI) screening.

With a strong international profile, Erik has extensive experience handling cross-border competition matters, including multi-jurisdictional mergers, cartel investigations, and abuse of dominance cases. He regularly advises clients on complex regulatory issues spanning multiple jurisdictions and has been involved in important competition and FDI matters in Sweden and globally.

Erik is ranked by Chambers and Partners and recognized as a "Leading Individual" by Legal 500.

Before joining DLA Piper, Erik led the competition practice at another international law firm in Stockholm. He also has a background at the Swedish Competition Authority.

Qualifications

Professional background	Partner, Head of Competition & Procurement, Advokatfirma DLA Piper Sweden KB	2021
	Head of EU & Competition, Stockholm, Baker McKenzie	2017-2021
	Advokat / Senior associate, Advokatfirman Lindahl	2010-2017
	Case Officer, Swedish Competition Authority	2008-2010

Education	Master of Laws (LL.M.), Uppsala University	2009
	Competition law, Stockholm University	2008
	International legal studies programme, University of Antwerp	2007

Membership	Member of the Swedish Bar Association
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Experience

Selected experience	Advised a leading private equity player with the merger control aspects of their acquisition and combination of two lending comparison companies.
	Successfully represented a leading fintech in an abuse of dominance probe by the Swedish Competition Authority.
	Successfully defended a multinational musical instruments manufacturer in a pricing probe by the Swedish Competition Authority.
	Successfully defended a media operator in a probe by the Swedish Competition Authority.
	Successfully defended a leading ports operator in an abuse claim.
	Defended a Nordic energy company in a probe by the Swedish Competition Authority.

Ranked in Competition/European Law, 2025

"We are very pleased with his level of knowledge and business understanding."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm is more than just external counsel, where he excels – he is also a person with whom we can discuss various business-related issues."

"It is always a pleasure to work with him."

"He delivers well-researched advice that strikes a thoughtful balance in terms of risk and is presented in a commercially practical manner, and he is not hesitant to offer clear recommendations."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm always provides a great service for us as a client."

Ranked in Competition/European Law, 2024

"We are more than happy with Erik."

"Erik always goes the extra mile for us."

Ranked in Competition/European Law, 2023, 2022 and 2021

Ranked as "Leading Partner" in EU and Competition, 2025



"Erik Brändt Öfverholm possesses the ability to give you great advice on the spot. His knowledge and understanding of our complex market is impossible to overestimate. The legal advice always comes with a very well grounded business sense."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm is an expert in his field, is approachable and always provides well-researched advice that offers a pragmatic and balanced approach to risk, making it commercially practical to implement."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm, partner, is very responsive, gives crisp advice, clear recommendations and consistently looks around corners on our behalf."

"We are always happy to work with Erik Brändt Öfverholm due to his competence and business knowledge. He brings energy and curiosity to the table in a way that I do not experience with other lawyers in his position. He is pedagogical and fun to work with."

Ranked as "Leading Individual" in EU and Competition, 2024

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm is a go-to lawyer for any competition law questions."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm has great knowledge as well as the practical experience that you wish for in a competition law partner."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm is one of the foremost competition lawyers in the country."

"Erik Brändt Öfverholm is quick, pragmatic and solution-oriented."

Ranked in EU and Competition, 2023

Ranked in Healthcare and Life Sciences, 2023

Services



Antitrust & Competition



Public Procurement



Litigation and regulatory

Sectors



Automotive