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Fabian Martens is Partner and a member of the Competition & Trade group at Pestalozzi. As a competition law and antitrust lawyer in Switzerland, he has profound experience both in Swiss and EU competition law and a strong background in competition economics. In addition, Fabian has extensive expertise in public procurement law and represents bidders and contracting authorities at the federal and cantonal level.

Fabian advises on all aspects of competition law, including cartels and horizontal cooperations, vertical restraints and distribution agreements, abuse of dominance and relative market power as well as merger control. He represents clients before competition authorities and all Swiss public and civil courts, including in dawn raids, antitrust investigations or competition litigation.

Fabian advises clients across a wide range of industries, including automotive, manufacturing, consumer goods, retail and distribution, technology and digital markets, life sciences, and energy. In 2021, Fabian was awarded the Lexology Client Choice Award in Competition Law for Switzerland.

Fabian worked in competition teams of major international and Swiss law firms and has in-house experience. After graduating from the University of Zurich (cum laude), he obtained two LL.M. degrees from the New York University and the National University of Singapore (Dean's Award Scholarship). He further holds a Master degree in Economics for Competition Law from King's College, London (with merit). Fabian regularly publishes in the field of competition law and lectures at universities in Switzerland and abroad (Yale).

Market Perception

Fabian Martens exemplifies the highest standards of legal service. His professionalism, expertise and collaborative spirit make him a trusted advisor. (The Legal 500, 2026)

Fabian Martens is excellent legal expert in competition law, with a pragmatic approach. (The Legal 500, 2026)

We truly appreciate working with Mr. Fabian Martens, relaying on his impeccable sense for essential aspects, steadily keeping track of latest provisions and developments and proactively advising us on impending matters. We benefit from his extensive network that helps us interacting across all international offices, which is essential to us. (The Legal 500, 2023)

Fabian Martens is an outstandingly skilled, thoughtful and pragmatic competition lawyer. Fabian is exceptionally pleasant to work with and extremely responsive. (The Legal 500, 2023)

Fabian is a forward thinking, strategic and extremely smart lawyer and planner. (Lexology Client Choice Award 2021)

What sets Fabian's work apart was his ability to deliver a work product that was to the point and he provided us with extremely useful, hands-on advice that we could understand and directly put into action. (Lexology Client Choice Award 2021)

Fabian Martens was timely, cost-efficient and of the highest legal quality. (Lexology Client Choice Award 2021)

His experience, his cost-efficiency, his strong business acumen and his hands-on approach make his client service exceptional, even in time- or cost-sensitive matters. (Lexology Client Choice Award 2021)

Counsel Fabian Martens has good experience on how to handle large antitrust matters; he also has in-house experience making him an ideal contact person for in-house legal teams. (The Legal 500, 2021)

Career

2022	Partner at Pestalozzi
2019	King's College London, UK: Master in Economics for Competition Law Counsel at major Swiss law firm in Zurich
2018	Senior competition lawyer at Swiss competition law firm in Zurich
2016	King's College London, UK: Postgraduate Diploma in Economics for Competition Law
2013	Senior competition lawyer at major Swiss law firm in Zurich NYU Stern School of Business, US: Advanced Professional Certificate in Law and Business National University of Singapore (NUS): Master of Laws, LL.M. New York University (NYU), US: Master of Laws, LL.M.
2009	Associate at major Swiss law firm in Zurich
2008	Bar admission: Switzerland
2006	University of Zurich: lic. iur.

Languages

- German
- English
- French
- Japanese

Practice Areas

- Competition & Trade
- Compliance
- Public Procurement
- IP & TMT
- ESG

Membership

- Swiss Bar Association (SAV)
- Zurich Bar Association (ZAV), Specialist Group for Competition Law
- Studienvereinigung Kartellrecht e.V. (Study Group for Competition Law)
- Swiss Association for Public Procurement (SVÖB)
- Europa Institut Zurich (EIZ)
- Swiss Lawyers' Society
- Swiss-Japanese Chamber of Commerce (SJCC)