

## Casto González-Páramo Rodríguez

Partner  
Madrid

### Biography

As head of the Hogan Lovells Antitrust, Competition and Economic Regulation practice in Madrid, Casto has extensive experience advising international and local companies while representing them before the European Union and the Spanish Competition Authorities as well as in judicial procedures regarding all aspects of antitrust proceedings.

Casto's experience encompasses all economic sectors, being particularly intense in the energy, infrastructure, automotive, insurance and consumer business areas. Casto takes pride in putting his broad experience into providing very commercial and practical advice, proactively helping his clients to detect and solve potential problems early on.

Casto is a professor in the master's degree program on EU Law at the Carlos III University in Madrid, as well as a regular lecturer in other academic forums. He also speaks Spanish and English.

### Representative experience

Advising two leading car manufacturers in the automotive manufacturers investigation by the Spanish Competition Authority.

Advising Caixabank on the investigation into the condition of provision of derivative products in the context of syndicated loans.



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### Languages

English  
Italian  
Spanish

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### Practices

Antitrust and Competition  
Administrative and Public Law  
Government Relations and Public Affairs

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### Industries

Automotive and Mobility  
Financial Institutions  
Aerospace and Defense  
Life Sciences and Health Care

Representing SCOR in the investigation of the Decennial insurance market by the Spanish Competition Authority.

Advising a leading car manufacturer in relation to the claim of damages suffered as a consequence of an antitrust infraction.

Advising Alstom in the investigation of the Spanish Competition Authority into the railway electrification infrastructure.

Obtaining the EU Commission merger clearance to the setting-up of a JV between Euler Hermes (Allianz Group) and MAPFRE comprising their respective credit-insurance businesses.

Advising Globalvía on the EU notification of the creation of a JV with financial investors.

Representing Brookfield on the notification to the EU Commission of the setting-up of a JV together with Abertis.

## Awards and rankings

- Ranked in Competition and European Law, *Chambers Europe*, 2013-2023
- Leading individual for EU and Competition, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2020-2023
- Recommended for EU and Competition, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2010, 2012-2021
- Acritas Star for Competition/Antitrust, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2016, 2018-2020

## Latest thinking and events

- Insights and Analysis
  - FDI didn't know that...
- Insights and Analysis
  - FDI - Spanish Government blocks takeover bid for railway equipment manufacturer by a EU investor
- Insights and Analysis
  - FDI didn't know that...
- Insights and Analysis

## Manufacturing and Industrials

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### Areas of focus

Abuse of Dominance and Restrictive Practices

Agency Investigations

Antitrust and Competition Litigation

Cartel Investigations

Competition Compliance

Dawn Raids

Leniency Applications

Merger Control

State Aid and Subsidy Control

Judicial Review

Consumer Protection and Privacy

Product Compliance

Regular Contracts and Business Issues

Legislation

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## Education and admissions

### Education

LL.M., Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 1998

Law Degree, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 1995

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### Accolades

"He's calm, relaxed, open to suggestions and very ready to help you, as well as honest, transparent and very quick with his response".

*Chambers Europe 2019*

- FDI didn't know that...
- News
  - Public consultation on cloud services - Spain
- Press releases
  - FDI scrutiny to increase globally in 2024 predicts Hogan Lovells report

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Clients highlight his "mastery of competition law".

*Chambers Europe 2019*

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Casto González Páramo has great knowledge of the subject and the sector. Easily accessible. He understands matters quickly and is very open to the client's business needs.

*Legal 500 EMEA 2023*

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Casto González-Páramo has solid knowledge and experience in various markets. His advice is prudent and reliable.

*Legal 500 EMEA 2022*

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"Casto González-Páramo is able to work in a collegial manner. He is easy to work with and has a down-to-earth approach to complex legal matters in EU law."

*Legal 500 EMEA 2020*

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Casto González Páramo is an exceptional lawyer, with extensive experience in competition law. Casto has a strategic vision and knowledge of the client's needs that allows him to provide precise advice at all times to detect or solve problems

*Legal 500 EMEA 2023*

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"Casto González-Páramo is a very good professional, with deep knowledge of EU and competition law."

*Legal 500 EMEA 2020*

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Casto González-Páramo stands out for his kindness and ease of understanding client needs. Also, his ability to synthesize in high quality memorandums the different legal problems raised. Alfredo Gómez stands out for being proactive, taking an interest in the sector in which the client operates and understanding their needs

*Legal 500 EMEA 2022*

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"Casto González-Páramo tries to understand the business reasons behind the requests of the client. The team react promptly and are able to cooperate with other legal firms in complex cases."

*Legal 500 EMEA 2020*

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"He has a profound knowledge of the sector."

*Chambers Europe 2022*

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"He is a very easy-going person, who is knowledgeable with a good business acumen. He is a great lawyer who provides very good, practical advice".

*Chambers Europe 2023*

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"He is very intelligent, experienced and combines strong technical skills with a pragmatic approach to find solutions for complex matters."

*Chambers Europe 2023*

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"Holistic approach to complex cases."

*Chambers Europe 2020*

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In particular, I would like to highlight Casto González-Páramo's knowledge, his in-depth study of the issues without forgetting nuances, his overarching strategy when dealing with problems, his clarity when explaining legal issues to people who are not so knowledgeable about them, and his calmness in moments of great tension.

*Legal 500 EMEA 2023*

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"Technically accurate and sensible solutions."

*Chambers Europe 2021*

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