

FORMER DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR MERGERS AND STATE AID AT THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION TO JOIN LATHAM & WATKINS IN BRUSSELS

Carles Esteva Mosso brings more than two decades' experience to the firm's market-leading global Antitrust & Competition Practice. (12 April 2021)

Latham & Watkins is pleased to announce that Carles Esteva Mosso will join the Brussels office as a partner in the Antitrust & Competition Practice. Esteva Mosso joins the firm from the European Commission's Directorate General for Competition (DG COMP), where he served in a variety of positions, including as Deputy Director-General for Mergers between 2014-2019 and Deputy Director-General for State Aid between 2019 – 2021. He has also held a number of other leadership posts relating to merger enforcement and competition policy since joining the Cabinet of former Commissioner Mario Monti in 1999.

Esteva Mosso is one of the leading figures in the global antitrust community, and has been actively involved in some of Europe's most significant merger control and State aid matters, policy decisions, and legislative proposals over the past two decades.

Leading international law firm Clifford Chance today announced that Cecilio Madero will join the firm as Of Counsel based in Brussels this September. The appointment provides a significant boost to the firm's global Antitrust, Corporate, Litigation and Tech client offering. (4th May 2021)

Cecilio will join Clifford Chance after 34 years with DG Competition, the European Commission Directorate responsible for EU antitrust law and policy. Cecilio began his professional life working for a large Spanish Bank (BBVA) before joining the Commission in 1987. Until his retirement in September 2020, he worked for DG Competition on many state aid, antitrust and merger matters. During his long career he was in charge of some of the most complex, intricate and well-known competition cases. These cases are now widely recognised as landmark decisions adopted by the European Commission that underlie the current development of its antitrust policy.

Cecilio will operate across the global antitrust practice at Clifford Chance, strengthening the firm's client advisory services across all areas, including in dominance cases, merger control, state aid, cartels, litigation and investigations. Based in Brussels, Cecilio will act as an international consultant, working with colleagues across the globe, including in Europe, London, the US and Asia/Pacific.