# CV SARA COSIMO



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# **EDUCATION**

2017, *MSc in Economic and Social Sciences,* Bocconi University, Milan 2015, *BSc in Economic and Social Sciences,* Bocconi University, Milan

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2024 - Present, Senior Economist, Compass Lexecon, Brussels
2021 - 2024, Economist, Compass Lexecon, Brussels
2019 - 2021, Senior Analyst, Compass Lexecon, Brussels
2018 - 2019, Analyst, Compass Lexecon, Brussels
2017 - 2018, Intern, Compass Lexecon, Brussels
2017 - 2017, Trainee, European Commission DG ECFIN, Brussels
2016 - 2016, Investment Banking Summer Analyst, UBS, London

# SELECTED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN COMPETITION AND REGULATION

#### Mergers & acquisitions

- Air Canada/Air Transat (2020, airlines)
   Advised Air Canada during Phase II merger proceedings before the European Commission. Analysis of market shares, closeness of competition (catchment areas and customer diversion, competitive impact of hub routes on regional routes), survey, profitability and load factor analyses.
- Alstom/Bombardier Transportation (2020, railway)

Advised one of the merging parties during Phase I merger proceedings before the European Commission and during filings in other jurisdictions worldwide. Extensive filing support, assessment of horizontal, vertical and conglomerate effects including bidding analyses and analysis of potential foreclosure, assistance with design of remedy package.

• Widex/Sivantos (2018, hearing aids)

Advised both merging parties during Phase I merger proceedings before the European Commission and during various filings in other jurisdictions worldwide. Extensive filing support and assessment of potential competitive constraints both upstream (manufacturing level) and downstream (retail level).

Beauty products (2018, cosmetics)
 Assessment of competitive and antitrust implications of a potential acquisition of a competitor.

#### Antitrust

- TSMC (2017/20, semiconductors) Economic assessment of alleged anti-competitive practices. Empirical analysis focused on an as-efficientcompetitor test.
- Wood panel manufacturers cartel (2018, wood panel)

Economic assessment report of alleged price fixing and exchange of information between wood panel manufacturers in Poland in the context of an appeal of the decision of the Polish Competition Authority. Assessment of the scope of the information exchange and its impact on the likelihood of collusion. Empirical analysis of prices and margins before, during and after the alleged infringement period to show absence of effect on market outcomes.

• Digital complaint (2018, technology)

Assistance to a major provider of digital content services in making a complaint to the European Commission, alleging abuse of dominance by the technology company that provides one of the main platforms over which our client's services were distributed.

Beer manufacturer (2016/17, food)
 Assistance to a large beer manufacturer in connection with an Article 102 TFEU investigation by the European Commission.

#### Arbitration and litigation

Pre-stressing steel cartel in Italian civil court (2019)
 Economic support to one of the members of the pre-stressing steel cartel fined by the European Commission in 2010, during a civil court case with damages proceedings before the Tribunale di Milano.

# **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Statistical Packages: Stata
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
   Experience in Quantum GIS (QGIS) for geographical market definition analysis

# LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Italian Native
- English Native
- French Intermediate

