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## PROFILE

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At **SÉRVULO** since 2015, Alberto Saavedra is partner in the European and Competition department. He concluded the LL.M – Master of Laws in European and Competition Law at University College London (UCL), in 2009; obtained a graduate qualification in competition law from King's College London (University of London), in 2006; graduated in Law from the Faculty of Law of the Catholic University of Portugal, Porto School, in 2004. He was aide to the Secretary of State for the Treasury of the XIX Constitutional Government, between 2013 and 2015. He was as an associate at the law firm «SRS – Advogados & Associados», from 2011 to 2013, and at «Nobre Guedes, Mota Soares & Associados», in 2010; was an associate and a trainee lawyer at the firm «Morais Leitão, Galvão Teles & Associados», from 2004 to 2010. He joined the Bar Association in 2006. He is the author of several articles and publications on his areas of specialisation.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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He has vast experience in representing and advising international and domestic companies and public authorities in the areas of merger control, restrictive practices, market dominance, State aid and services of general economic interest, both at national and EU level. He also advises clients on EU law, in particular the Internal Market rules, Structural Funds (Portugal 2020) and the Common Agricultural Policy.

He has experience in a wide range of industries, such as banking, trade and distribution, construction and real estate, energy pharmaceutical, telecommunications and transports.

As an aide to the Secretary of State for the Treasury of the XIX Constitutional Government, he was responsible

for matters related with privatisations, concessions, State-owned companies and implementation of the Economic and Financial Assistance Programme in close interaction with the European Commission, the European Central Bank and the International Monetary Fund (“*troika*”).

## EXPERTISE

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- European and Competition Law
- Transport
- Whistleblowing

## RECOGNITION

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### **Chambers Global 2017**

EU and Competition - TIER Recommended

### **Legal 500 2022**

EU & Competition - TIER Recommended

Alberto Saavedra has been the lead author of significant statements filed in court proceedings and has masterfully handled the production of these complex documents.

### **Legal 500 2021**

EU and Competition - TIER Recommended

Alberto Saavedra - an excellent legal mind. He is able to digest complicated evidence and present it in clear legal documents.

### **Legal 500 2017**

EU and Competition - TIER Recommended

### **Best Lawyers 2022**

Competition / Antitrust Law - TIER Recommended

European Union Law - TIER Recommended

### **Best Lawyers 2021**

Competition / Antitrust Law - TIER Recommended

European Union Law - TIER Recommended

### **Best Lawyers 2020 Global Business Edition**

Competition / Antitrust Law - TIER Recommended

European Union Law - TIER Recommended

### **Best Lawyers 2020**

Competition / Antitrust Law - TIER Recommended

European Union Law - TIER Recommended

### **Chambers Europe 2022**

Competition/European Law - TIER Associates to Watch

Sources praise Alberto Saavedra for his 'attention to detail and commercial acumen'. His practice ranges from assisting with state aid and merger control matters to handling antitrust investigations and disputes concerning EU regulations.

## **BOOKS AND ACADEMIC ARTICLES**

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### **2022**

Sérvulo writes the Portuguese chapter of the ICLG Competition Litigation 2023 edition

2022 | in ICLG - Competition Litigation 2023

### **2020**

Directive ECN+ and the New Age of Competition Law (Challenges and Boundaries)

2020 | in Revista Ordem dos Advogados, Ano 80

The cross-fertilization of the Energy Union and the Digital Single Market

2020 | in Revista de Energia, ISPG - Instituto do Petróleo e Gás

### **2019**

Portugal

2019 | in The Cartels and Leniency Review - 2019

## The Importance of European Law for the Protection of Consumers

2019 | in Boletim Ordem dos Advogados, Abril 2019

## Opening and Closing Sessions and PhD Seminar, XXVIII FIDE CONGRESS Lisbon/Estoril (23-26 May 2018), Congress Proceedings Vol. 4

2019 | Almedina

### **2018**

## The internal market and the digital economy, XXVIII FIDE CONGRESS Lisbon/Estoril (23-26 May 2018), Congress Proceedings Vol 1

2018 | Almedina

## Taxation, State aid and distortions of competition, XXVIII FIDE CONGRESS Lisbon/Estoril (23-26 May 2018), Congress Proceedings Vol 2

2018 | Almedina

## The external dimension of the EU policies: horizontal issues; trade and investment; immigration and asylum, XXVIII FIDE CONGRESS Lisbon/Estoril (23-26 May 2018), Congress Proceedings Vol 3

2018 | Almedina

### **2013**

## The New Portuguese Competition Law - Preliminary Remarks

2013 | in Revista da Ordem dos Advogados, Ano 73, Jan.-Marc. 2013, I (Alberto Saavedra em coautoria com Gonçalo Anastácio)

## Article 47 - Participation in the Proceedings

2013 | in Lei da Concorrência - Comentário Conimbricense, Coimbra: Edições Almedina

### **2012**

## Acess by National Courts and Private Plaintiffs to Leniency Documents Held by the Commission

2012 | in Revista de Concorrência e Regulação, Ano 3, n.º 10, 2012, pages 65-89

## The Merger Control Review

2012 | Law Business Research

### **2011**

## The Relationship between the Leniency Programme and Private Actions for Damages at the EU Level

2011 | in Revista de Concorrência e Regulação, ano 1, n.º 4, 2010, págs. 21-51