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Oleksandr Melnyk is a Partner at GOLAW and Head of the Corporate Law and M&A practice. He specializes in corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, international business structuring and taxation, financing, and regulatory compliance. Oleksandr provides comprehensive legal support to businesses in the energy, infrastructure, finance, retail, IT, and FMCG sectors.

He has substantial experience in managing complex cross-border M&A transactions, structuring and relocating holding companies across multiple jurisdictions, and supporting foreign investors entering the Ukrainian and EU markets. Oleksandr advises international clients on market entry strategies, including the incorporation and licensing of local subsidiaries, regulatory compliance, and transactional structuring adapted to sector-specific requirements.

A significant part of Oleksandr's work is dedicated to the energy sector. He has successfully led the legal support of renewable energy projects (solar, wind, bioenergy) with a total capacity exceeding 300 MW, including structuring and negotiation of PPAs, EPC and O&M contracts, and participation in regulatory and permitting procedures. He also advises on privatization, public procurement, and

infrastructure development within the energy domain.

Oleksandr regularly handles competition and antitrust matters, including merger clearance, concerted actions, and litigation related to unfair competition and market manipulation. He supports international financing transactions involving development banks (EBRD, IFC), and has experience with drafting and negotiating Intercreditor Agreements, Subordination Agreements, and other complex finance instruments.

He also advises clients on market regulation, advertising compliance, and product conformity procedures, as well as intellectual property, franchising, and personal data protection in cross-border contexts.

Practices

- Antitrust and Competition
- Corporate and M&A
- Labor and Employment
- Real Estate and Construction
- Banking and Finance

Sectors

- Agribusiness
- Aviation
- Chemical industry
- Engineering, Construction and Building Materials
- Natural Resources and Environment
- Financial institutions
- IT and AI

- Industry and manufacturing
- Media, Entertainment, Sports and Gambling
- Healthcare industries, Life sciences and Pharmaceuticals
- Retail, FMCG and E-Commerce
- Transport and Logistics
- Defense in Anti-corruption procedures and regulations
- Antitrust and Competition
- Banking and Finance
- Compliance, Corporate Governance and Risk Management
- Corporate and M&A
- Criminal and White Collar Defence
- Development and implementation of security systems
- Labor and Employment
- Natural Resources and Environment
- Government Relations (GR)
- Insolvency and Corporate Recovery
- Intellectual property
- International trade
- Litigation and dispute resolution
- Private clients
- Real Estate and Construction
- Restructuring, Claims and Recoveries
- Tax and Customs

Education

- Law Faculty, National University “Odessa Academy of Law”, 2013

(Ukraine)

- Institute of training of professional judges of National University “Odessa Academy of Law”, 2014 (Ukraine)

Recognition

The Legal 500 2024 - Recommended among leading experts in the fields of energy and natural resources, real estate and construction, commercial law, corporate law and M&A, as well as private clients practice

IFLR1000 2024 (International Financial Law Review) - Recognized among the leading legal advisors in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, project development, restructuring, and insolvency

Legal 500 Green Guide 2024 - GOLAW law firm has been recognized as a leader in the Ukrainian market, advising on green energy, climate change, effective governance, and sustainable development

TOP-50 Law Firms of Ukraine Ranking | YURPRAKTYKA - Recommended among the leading specialists in corporate law, competition law, land law, and real estate

Membership

- Ukrainian National Bar Association ([UNBA](#))
- Associated European Energy Consultants ([AEEC](#))
- American Chamber of Commerce (ACC)
- European Business Association (EBA)
- German-Ukrainian Chamber of Industry and Commerce (AHK Ukraine)
- [Ukrainian Network of Integrity and Compliance \(UNIC\)](#)

- International Turkish Ukrainian Businessmen Association (TUID)
- Associated European Energy Consultants ([AEEC](#))
- Worldwide Network of Leading Law Firms ([SCG Legal](#))
- Ost-Ausschuss der Deutschen Wirtschaft ([Ost-Ausschuss](#))

Languages

Ukrainian, Russian, English