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## Chambers: Egorov Puginsky Afanasiev & Partners is the only top-ranked firm for competition law in Russia



Egorov Puginsky Afanasiev & Partners is recognized as the only Band 1 ranked law firm for Competition by the newly released Chambers Europe 2016. Practice Head Natalia Korosteleva occupies a leading position (Band 1) in the individual ranking of the leading experts in the field of competition law in Russia.

According to Chambers Europe 2016, Egorov Puginsky Afanasiev & Partners' Competition Practice is well known to be involved in the most complex cases. The team is active in the area of government tenders and procurement, cartel investigations and high-value antitrust disputes. Clients and peers emphasize that the team "has very deep knowledge of anti-monopoly laws and the practices of the relevant authorities". "They deal with the most challenging cases" and "never disappoint".

In addition, Partner **Natalia Korosteleva** tops the individual ranking and is highly recommended for antitrust work in Russia. Natalia leads the Firm's practice and covers contentious and regulatory matters. She is said to be "very business-minded and a strategic thinker who gives practical advice and has good time management". Her recent work includes playing a leading role in advising Pfizer in a dispute on public procurement of a vaccine.

Partner **Anna Numerova** is also listed among notable practitioners. She advises clients on a wide range of antitrust issues and represents large multinationals in complex litigation proceedings against the FAS. Senior Associate **Elena Kazak** focuses principally on anti-monopoly filings for a range of high-profile clients. She advised Evraz Group on anti-monopoly regulation and compliance issues.

Recent work highlights of the practice include— representing Sakhalin Energy before the FAS Russia with regard to a multi-billion dollar dispute with Rosneft as well as defending the interests of Mediterranean Shipping Company in connection with the FAS investigation over suspected cartel agreements among 13 market players. Competition Practice team also successfully defended the interests of Yandex against Google's market abuse in relation to pre-installed app stores for devices on the Android operating system.

*«We are grateful for the outstanding feedback from our clients and peers. Our leading positions in Chambers Europe is comes as a result of real teamwork. This achievement was possible thanks to the high level of professionalism and skills of our lawyers In particular, I wish to mention our senior team members – Counsels Maria Kobanenko, Evgeny Bolshakov, Denis Gavrilov. Together, we always try to find solutions for our clients even in the most difficult situations. This is what we are praised for”, comments Natalia Korosteleva.*

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Egorov Puginsky Afanasiev & Partners is the leading national law firm in the CIS with offices in Moscow, St Petersburg, Kyiv, Minsk and associated offices in London and Washington, D.C. Founded in 1993, the firm combines extensive



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