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## Keller and Heckman's European Food and Drug Practice Retains Tier 1 Ranking by Legal 500 EMEA

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[Keller and Heckman's](#) EU Food and Drug Practice has been ranked Tier 1 in the Belgium and France jurisdictions of the 2019 Legal 500 Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) Guide. The firm received Tier 1 rankings in the categories of [EU Regulatory: Food in Belgium](#) and [Industry Focus: Food in France](#). Additionally, [Katia Merten-Lentz](#), a partner in the firm's food and drug practice, continues to reign as a Tier 1 Leading Individual in the same categories and jurisdictions in the Guide.

Per the Guide's research team, Keller and Heckman's Belgium EU Food and Drug Practice is "well known for its specialist focus on regulatory law, Keller and Heckman LLP's 'professional and dedicated' team is very strong in food, feed, and food contact matters. The group is adept at handling health claims, novel foods, labelling issues and food contact compliance matters, to name a few. Practice head Katia Merten-Lentz is highly regarded in the market."

The France jurisdiction notes that Keller and Heckman "specialises in EU regulatory law and fields a dedicated food and feed law team. The Paris office's recent caseload includes advising a range of high-profile clients on labelling and market access, as well as novel issues relating to enzymes and GMOs. The main names to note are regulatory and scientific affairs counselor Nathalie Henin and Katia Merten-Lentz, who leads the practice."

With offices strategically positioned in Brussels and Paris, Keller and Heckman's internationally-recognized [European Food and Drug Practice](#) represents and provides legal advice to [food](#) and [food packaging](#) clients, including trade associations, on a comprehensive array of legal and regulatory issues. They promote, protect and defend products made by the spectrum of industries regulated under national, international and EU food law, routinely advising the world's largest and most prestigious food manufacturing, food processing, recycled products and waste conglomerates.

[Keller and Heckman's Food and Drug Practice](#) provides resources to the industries they serve via timely and informative blogs and websites. For almost two decades, Keller and Heckman has hosted the premier online resource for the global packaging industry, [PackagingLaw.com](#). The website provides a wide range of information on international laws and regulations that affect packages and packaging materials, including news articles on current issues affecting the industry, in-depth features, as well as an Ask an Attorney section and links to packaging industry and government websites. [The Daily Intake](#) is a daily news blog for businesses interested in staying current on breaking news and pressing issues that affect the food and dietary supplement industries in the U.S. and around the globe. Keller and Heckman's latest blog, [Tomorrow's Food and Feed](#) includes information and analysis on key issues affecting companies that import, manufacture, market and distribute food and feed in the EU.

[The Legal 500](#) analyzes the capabilities of law firms across the world, by assessing the strengths of law firms in over 150 jurisdictions. The rankings highlight the practice areas of firms who are providing the most cutting edge and innovative advice to corporate counsel. The Legal 500's research is based on feedback from firm clients worldwide, submissions from law firms, and interviews with leading private practice lawyers.

[Keller and Heckman](#) has a broad practice in the areas of regulatory law, litigation, and business transactions, serving both domestic and international clients. With offices in Washington, D.C., Brussels, San Francisco, Shanghai, and Paris, the firm helps the world's most vital businesses achieve their objectives. A pioneer in the use of interdisciplinary approaches to legal issues, Keller and Heckman has had an in-house scientific staff since 1971.

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