

Cresco Partner and Senior Associate Promotions



Partner promotion - Olivier Van Raemdonck

Cresco, a premier Belgian law firm for entrepreneurs, companies and investors, is pleased to announce the appointment of Olivier Van Raemdonck, as partner, effective from 1 January 2021.

The promotion strengthens the firm's Corporate & Technology Group. Olivier has been with the firm for more than 5 years and has a wealth of experience in our core areas of expertise.

Olivier is a member of the Antwerp Bar and is fluent in Dutch, English and French. Olivier has over the years assisted corporates, investors, start-ups and scale-ups in the structuring, negotiation and execution of their innovation and growth strategies, from strategic intellectual asset protection and enforcement to complex corporate partnerships and transactions. He also advises Belgian and international clients in mergers and acquisitions, corporate restructurings and venture capital transactions.

He is a frequent speaker on a large variety of topics at various incubator and accelerator programs for technology start-ups and scale-ups.

Olivier is a 2008 graduate of the Faculty of Law at the University of Leuven and holds a Master of Business Law from the Université libre de Bruxelles (2009) and a Master of Company Law from the University of Leuven (2013).

"We are very pleased and excited to welcome Olivier to the partner team. Olivier has proven over the years that he is an excellent, all-round corporate technology lawyer, who will continue to use his experience, skills and work ethic to achieve the best results for our clients." says David Dessers, Partner.

Pieter Capiou, Partner, adds: *"With his unwavering commitment, Olivier has greatly contributed to the growth of Cresco and its clients. We are confident in his leadership capabilities while he continues to provide clients with the personalised expert services on which we pride ourselves."*

Senior Associate promotions - Emilie Praet, Sammy Perel & Reinart Vos

Cresco is furthermore proud to announce the promotion of three (3) new senior associates, effective from January 1, 2021:

- Emilie Praet, senior associate in the dispute resolution practice group, assists clients in commercial, corporate and IP/IT litigation. She advises a wide range of domestic and international clients on corporate matters such as post-acquisition litigation and shareholder disputes, as well as all types of commercial disputes.
- Sammy Perel, senior associate in the corporate and technology practice group, advises entrepreneurs and investors in the structuring and negotiation of any type of private financing transactions (including seed, early-stage and growth capital), secondary sale transactions and cross-border mergers and acquisitions.
- Reinart Vos, senior associate in the corporate and technology practice group, advises clients in various corporate transactions, such as equity funding, strategic alliances, corporate partnerships, mergers and acquisitions and equity incentive plans. Furthermore, Reinart assists general partners in the establishment of early-stage and growth venture capital funds.