

## BIO Paul Verhaeghe



Paul Verhaeghe holds a law degree and a tax law degree. He is a practising lawyer since 1998 as a lawyer. He started in a law firm that was specialised in insurance law litigations. In 2001 he joined a law firm that was specialised in estate, criminal and corporate litigations. He combined this with tax law and criminal law.

He advises also on professional liabilities of both lawyers and (certified) accountants in tax matters. He has acquired experience in proceedings before Belgian High courts (Constitutional Court, Conseil d'Etat, Cour de cassation in both tax law and criminal cases) and the Court of Justice of the European Union.

When the Belgian Association of Tax Lawyers was created as a factional association in 2012 he was representing one of the founding law firms. He is elected since 2018 into the Board of Directors. He is appointed general mandatee who can represent all members of the factual association in litigation. In that quality he has been charged by the Board of Directors with the ongoing litigations concerning the DAC 6 Directive. He is also a member and a director of the non-profit organisation Belgian Association of Tax Lawyers that was created in 2021.

Besides his work as a lawyer, he takes part in discussions of general interest that are related to updating tax law for the 21<sup>st</sup> century considering the demographic, digital and climate transitions European democracies face. He publishes on the web site of his law firm Wanted Law his views on matters of public concern such as for instance the recent drop of US aid to Ukraine, taxing excess profits for controlling energy prices and in a more general context, digital business models, corporate revenue-based taxation on national turnover as a minimum corporate income tax.

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