



Introduction

The fifth edition of *Women in Antitrust* marks the first time *Global Competition Review* has profiled more than 100 women private practitioners, enforcers, in-house counsel, economists and academics.

Although it is impossible to include every woman worthy of recognition, this publication endeavours to highlight many of those who have been at the forefront of competition law in their respective jurisdictions and made groundbreaking contributions to the ever-changing, increasingly globalised competition landscape.

Rather than traditional biographies, we asked our 150 entrants to tell us about themselves and their passions – both in and out of the office. Some we have tipped our hats to before, while others appear for the first time. The diverse list of women include musicians, authors, mountain climbers and runners; women who say they have never experienced gender-based disadvantages while climbing the career ladder, and others who started at a time when ‘acting like a man’ but never wearing trousers was the only way up.

Among the enforcers on our list are six officials at the helm of the US Federal Trade Commission, a robust and entirely women-led antitrust authority to which we pay special tribute in this edition.

This year’s survey features in-depth interviews with competition commissioner of the European Union Margrethe Vestager; Mona El Garf, chairperson of Egypt’s Competition Authority; and Alejandra Palacios Prieto, chairwoman of Mexico’s Federal Economic Competition Commission. For the first time, we also hosted a roundtable including six top women antitrust lawyers.

Thank you to everyone who took part. GCR



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The antitrust field was becoming more prevalent in Israel in the early 1990s, but there were still few antitrust cases at the time. As luck may have it, my then-mentor and now founding partner of our firm, Reuven Behar, asked me to assist in one of the first landmark antitrust cases to be adjudicated.

I currently head the largest antitrust department within the Israeli private sector, and I hope that each lawyer in our team, as well as each of my students, finds their passion as I did. My advice to them is to practise what they love, and if they do so, they will never have to work a day in their life.

I don't believe there are barriers for women working in the field. It's all about merit. Drive, determination and hard work are not gender-specific. Follow your passion, work very hard and hope that Tinkerbell sprinkles a little powder of luck.
