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He is specialized in all areas of IP law, a world authority in the area of patent law relating to pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, medical devices, software and SPC's, and also a world authority in the area of plant patents and plant variety rights. He is also an expert in regulatory exclusivities (data and market exclusivity) in the area of pharmaceuticals in general, and orphan drugs and antibiotics in particular, and in trade secret law. Sven is the author of more than 60 single authored scientific peer reviewed publications, amongst which two widely acclaimed monographs.

He was member of a Scientific Advisory Committee at the Dutch Royal Academy of Sciences (Gene Patents Committee, 2002-2003) and was between 2013 and 2016 the Chair of the Expert Committee at the European Commission on the development and implications of patent law in the field of biotechnology and genetic engineering, after having been a member of and Rapporteur at an earlier European Commission Expert Group (2003-2006). Besides the European Commission, he has also advised both the Belgian and Dutch governments on policy matters regarding patentability of biotechnological and software inventions. He is often consulted as an expert in patent law, regulatory exclusivities and licensing matters, by government institutions and by practitioners in the framework of litigation.

Sven has additionally more than 14 years of experience in private practice. He has worked for multinational and boutique law firms. His main practice was/is in patent law and regulatory exclusivities, with particular emphasis on life sciences and green biotech.

He is a frequent speaker at international conferences organized by commercial conference agencies, (inter)national government agencies and academic institutions (more than 230 invited speeches).

Aside from being native in Dutch, he is fluent in French, English, German and has a working proficiency of Italian and Swedish, and is now in the process of acquiring proficiency in Danish.