

# Art and culture

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Simont Braun regularly advises its clients on issues relating to works of art, the art market and the protection of cultural property. Most of our clients are museums, public or private collections, orchestras and artists.

To provide them with high quality legal advice, we draw on the skills of lawyers practicing in a wide range of fields, including intellectual property and , contract law, association, (litigation, arbitration and mediation), banking and secured transactions, bankruptcy, etc.



Among the specific art-related issues on which we have advised or litigated, the following can be noted

- Review of general terms and conditions of sale as well as websites concerning art and the sale of works of art
- Negotiation of cooperation agreements between or with museums, notably governing art loans and exhibition agreements
- Disputes concerning the liability of auction houses or professional dealers (including authenticity disputes)
- Assisting our clients in negotiations with international auction houses and reviewing contracts with them
- Bankruptcy proceedings, creditor's rights issues and security interests in works of art
- Obtaining permits and approvals for the refurbishment of museums or listed buildings
- Negotiation of agreements for the live broadcast and further exploitation of artistic performances
- Negotiation of art commissioning agreements for museums and producers
- Negotiation and drafting of contractual clauses concerning the public exhibition of works of art
- Disputes over copyright for works of art and reproductions of works of art in catalogues or books or on the internet
- Disputes between art producers or users of works of art and collecting societies for copyright or related rights
- Questions of defamation and product defamation concerning works of art and their provenance
- Issues related to the exercise of the moral rights of the artist or his successors in title
- Issues related to donations, acquisitions, assignments and loans of works of art
- Conclusion of international tax treaties affecting cross-border art transactions
- Issues relating to the tax and social status of international artists
- Issues of misappropriation of artwork and design or infringement of moral rights

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