BRAND RESTRICTIONS WHAT IMPACT FOR BRANDS?

HOW TO FACE NEW RESTRICTIONS?
WHICH LEGAL TOOLS? WHICH ORGANISATIONS?















SUMMARY

- 1. Examples of legal brand restriction applying to food industry:
 - ➤ French law on ecology LOI AGEC
 - > Laws relating to nutrition and marketing

2. Other new kind of brand restriction: consumer expectations on brand's transparency

3. How to face these new challenges?



1. Legal brand restriction to food industry:

ECOLOGICAL LAWS – FRENCH EX AGEC

- AGEC : Loi Anti Gaspillage pour une Economie Circulaire (No Waste for Circular Economy Law)
 - > No more disposable plastic
 - > Obligation to put on the market a part of reused packaging
- How to apply such necessary obligation while packaging is part of the brand DNA?

EX: BABYBEL









1. Legal brand restriction to food industry:

NUTRITIONAL AND MARKETING LAWS

 More and more laws to fight obesity in many countries leading in the most concerned ones to very impacting laws for brands' marketing and communication

EX: Mexico > black stamps and marketing to kids forbidden







2. NEW Brand RESTRICTION: TRANSPARENCY

A part some laws impacting the brands, there is also an important topic raising this time from consumer expectations :

TRANSPARENCY

- □ Does it mean Brands should say everything to consumers?
- ☐ Which topics are concerned?
- ☐ What impact for the brands?
 - >Crisis mode
 - ➤ Loss of trust = loss of value



3. How to face these new challenges?

- Open IP lawyers mind to other connected topic: how IP Lawyers should increase their expertise to their companies' products or services regulatory issues, as an important part of the brand protection?
- ☐ Find new resources:
 - > Internal stakeholders such as regulatory, public affairs, communication department, quality, ...
 - > External ex: food law lawyers to face new questions such as plant-based regulation to come
- ☐ How Bel Group has reorganized internally to face new challenges



Creating a **TRUST & ETHIC** Department

Composed of 5 expertise centers to help all resources to work together on new issues

- 1. Product and Business care: IP/Inno/NICT Business Law Food Law/Regulatory
- 2. Corporate M&A
- 3. Quality
- 4. Public Affairs Corporate Communication
- 5. Group Safety



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