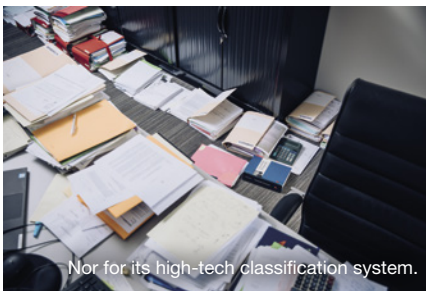




You don't choose a law firm for their fancy building.



Nor for the looks of its partners.



Nor for its high-tech classification system.



But because they really care.

The law firm that truly cares

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Business law can seem impersonal and cold, but at Portelio this is most certainly not the case. The law firm, based in Belgium, has multiple offices to make sure they are always close to you and they always have the best interests at heart.

Portelio was founded in 2013 out of a mutual desire to have truly personal client contact. The three founding partners found that this was very difficult at the larger law firms they previously worked at. Their team consists of 13 lawyers that share the same philosophy – they want to make business law accessible and provide concrete service to their clients.

This does not only mean that they assist their clients as much as they personal-

ly can. Timothy Van de Gehuchte, one of the founding partners, says the firm works closely with other service providers. “We do not hesitate to involve our elaborate network of other service providers in any challenges that are not our core business. And, perhaps our greatest quality is how much we really care about our clients and their legal needs.”

Portelio specialises in offering advice, litigation and mediation in the field of business law. This includes company law, bankruptcy and restructuring, corporate governance, trade practices, intellectual property, distribution law, labour law, fashion law, financial law, real estate and civil liability. However, they do not pretend to have specialist knowledge in every field of law and will not hesitate to

call upon their large network of firms that do have that specialist knowledge, working together to make sure the client has the best possible outcome.

Business law may seem like a cold, hard world. Portelio attempts to bring a human touch to this field. Not only by working together and helping clients to the best of their abilities, but also by valuing each and every colleague for their contribution to the firm. They value a pleasant working atmosphere and never underestimate the importance of emotion in a professional environment.

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