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/ Law

■ Climate Target Plan

In order to implement the 2030 Climate Target Plan, the EC published its inception impact assessments which contain suggestions on the nature and scope of the revisions of four pieces of European climate legislation: the EU Emissions Trading System; the Effort Sharing Regulation; the Regulation setting CO2 emission standards for cars and vans; and the Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry Regulation. Feedback on the assessments can be submitted until 26 November. Further open consultations will follow. The proposals shall be adopted June next year.

[EU ETS – Effort Sharing Regulation – CO2 standards for cars – Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry Regulation](#)

■ European Climate Law

The Council reached an agreement on a partial general approach on the European Climate Law, which aims to set the framework for achieving climate-neutrality by 2050, amending Regulation 2018/1999.

[Partial general approach](#)

■ Vertical Block Exemption Regulation

The EC published its inception impact assessment on the revision of the Vertical Block Exemption Regulation. Feedback to the document can be submitted until 20 November. Proper consultation will start in the coming weeks.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ State Aid Modernisation

The EC published the results of the evaluation of the EU State aid rules as part of the Commission's ongoing review and modernisation exercise. Overall the rules are fit for purpose, but some individual adjustments are needed in order to reflect recent developments and future challenges. The exercise covered among others the General Block Exemption Regulation, De minimis Regulation, Guidelines on State aid for environmental protection and energy and Guidelines on State aid to airports and airlines.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ Sustainable Corporate Governance

The EC launched a public consultation on sustainable corporate governance to promote long-term sustainable and responsible corporate behaviour. Contributions can be submitted until 8 February.

[EC consultation page](#)

■ Customs Union

The EC proposed a new initiative to enhance cooperation and coordination between all border authorities in order to facilitate the automatic verification of non-customs formalities for goods entering and leaving the Union through one Single Window.

[EC proposal for a regulation](#)

■ RAPEX Weekly Report

The EC published its weekly report for all dangerous consumer products, with the exception of food, pharmaceutical and medical devices.

[Weekly Overview Report](#)

/ Politics/General

■ Energy

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators published its decision on the principles for sharing the costs of ensuring firmness and remuneration of long-term transmission rights (LTTRs).

[ACER decision – Annex I – Annex Ia – Annex II](#)

■ Market Monitoring Report

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators and the Council of European Energy Regulators released the 9th edition of the Market Monitoring Report.

[Dedicated page](#)

/ Decisions

EC Decision of 29 October – BGL BNP Paribas / Post Luxembourg / i-HUB

■ Data processing, hosting and related activities

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over i-Hub S.A. by BGL BNP Paribas and Post Luxembourg.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 28 October – EDP / VIESGO

■ Production and distribution of electricity

The EC approved the acquisition of Viesgo Infraestructuras Energeticas S.L. by Energias de Portugal S.A.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 28 October – AAUK2 / MUL / Ballyhoura Wind / CCWFL

■ Production of electricity

The EC approved the acquisition of Ballyhoura Wind Limited and CCWFL Limited by Arjun Alliance UK 2 LP and Mitsubishi UFJ Lease & Finance Company Limited.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 27 October – Brookfield / Simon / JCPenney

■ Retail sale in non-specialised stores

The EC approved the acquisition of the retail and operating assets of J.C. Penney Company Inc. by Brookfield Asset Management Inc. and Simon Property Group Inc.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 26 October – KPS Capital Partners / Garrett Motion

■ Sale of motor vehicle parts and accessories

The EC approved the acquisition of sole control of Garrett Motion Inc. by KPS Capital Partners LP.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 26 October – LVMH / Tiffany

■ Manufacture of jewellery and related articles; retail and wholesale sale of jewellery

The EC approved the acquisition of Tiffany & Co. by LVMH.

[Case information](#)

/ From the OJEU

■ Non-opposition to concentrations

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Brookfield / Simon / JCPenney – Case M.9979 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 366/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration KPS Capital Partners / Garrett Motion – Case M.9986 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 366/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration MVM / iCR – Case M.9927 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 366/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration KKR / Elsan – Case M.9960 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 365/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Sampo / RMI / Hastings – Case M.9939 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 361/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration BC Partners / Sofima / IMA – Case M.9937 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 361/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration AMS / OSRAM – Case M.9716 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 358/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Archer-Daniels-Midland / Marfrig Global Foods / PlantPlus Foods JV – Case M.9898 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 358/01 – Case information](#)

■ Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration PreZero International / SUEZ Nordic – Case M.10000 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 366/13 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Silver Lake Partners / Engie / Hall Des Lumieres JV – Case M.9976 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 365/09 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration SAZKA Group / OBAG / Casinos Austria – Case M.9882 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 365/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Voith / PCSH / TSA – Case M.9911 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 362/05 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Bertelsmann / Schweizerische Post / Cinfoni – Case M.9835 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 358/10 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration DIC / BASF Colors & Effects – Case M.9677 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 358/09 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Altor Fund Manager / Stena / Gunnebo – Case M.9935 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 358/08 – Case information](#)

/ Brussels intern

■ Digital Market

Commissioner Vestager during an hearing at the European Parliament's Internal Market Committee confirmed that the Digital Services Act (DSA) and the Digital Markets Act (DMA) will be released in December, most likely on 2. Answering to the lawmakers' questions Commissioner Vestager stated that the DMA will look into ex-ante prohibitions on digital gatekeepers and there will be an objective list of criteria to identify those in the scope of the new regulation. The DSA will instead focus on the accountability, responsibility and transparency of digital service providers.

■ Money Laundering

The Finance Ministers of Member States are expected to adopt during the meeting of 4 November a

document inviting the Commission to set the framework for an EU authority against money laundering. It is already in the Commission's agenda to present some proposals to reinforce the anti-money laundering framework at the beginning of 2021.

■ Hazardous Chemicals

The European Commission is considering to amend European rules in order to ensure that hazardous chemicals banned in the Union are not produced for export.

■ Consumer Protection

The Internal Market Committee of the European Parliament proposed a series of measures to strengthen consumer protection and enhance product safety and sustainability by calling on the Commission

to make repairs more appealing, systematic and cost-efficient. The plenary is expected to vote on the

resolution in November.

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