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- Healthcare    ■ Aviation/Transport    ■ Foreign Trade    ■ Energy    ■ Compliance    ■ Food/Tobacco

## / Law

### ■ Competition Policy

The EC adopted its Communication on *A Competition Policy fit for new challenges*, calling for strong and effective competition enforcement. The European executive is currently reviewing a series of tools with the goal to ensure that all policy instruments are fit for purpose and are able to support the green and digital transition. The details and timeframes are outlined in the annex to the communication.

[EC Communication A Competition Policy fit for new challenges](#)

### ■ State Aid

The EC decided to prolong until 30 June 2022 the State aid Temporary Framework. It also introduced some amendments, in particular two tools to enable Member States to create direct incentives for private investments and solvency support measures.

[EC dedicated page](#)

### ■ State Aid – Broadband Guidelines

The EC launched a targeted public consultation on its proposed revision of the Guidelines on State aid rules for broadband networks. Contributions can be submitted until 11 February. The new guidelines shall be adopted by mid-2022.

[EC consultation page](#)

### ■ European Green Deal

The EC adopted a proposal for a regulation to curb EU-driven deforestation, setting mandatory due diligence rules for companies that intends to place these products on the European market. It also released a proposal for a new regulation to tackle the export of illegal waste and to facilitate intra-EU waste shipments.

Last but not least, the European executive presented its so-called Soil Strategy for 2030.

[EC proposal for a Regulation on deforestation-free products](#) – [EC proposal for a new Regulation on waste shipments](#) – [EU soil strategy for 2030](#)

### ■ Anti-dumping

Commission Implementing Regulation of 17 November 2021 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of optical fibre cables originating in the People's Republic of China has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[Commission Implementing Regulation 2021/2011](#)

Commission Implementing Regulation of 17 November 2021 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and definitively collecting the provisional duty imposed on imports of stainless steel cold-rolled flat products originating in India and Indonesia has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[Commission Implementing Regulation 2021/2012](#)

Notice of initiation of an anti-subsidy proceeding concerning imports of certain graphite electrode systems originating in the People's Republic of China has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[Document 2021/C 466/06](#)

Notice of initiation of an anti-dumping proceeding concerning imports of certain aluminium road wheels originating in Morocco has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[Document 2021/C 464/06](#)

### ■ 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

### ■ Raw Materials

The EC presented the 3<sup>rd</sup> Raw Materials Scoreboard, which presents an in-depth analysis of Europe's raw material supply chains. In particular it focuses on four main groups: materials, metals, wood and industrial minerals. The results of the scoreboard will feed into the implementation of the 2020 Critical Raw Materials Action Plan.

[3rd Raw Materials Scoreboard](#)

### ■ Energy Prices

The EU Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators submitted to the EC its Preliminary Assessment of Europe's high energy prices and the current wholesale electricity market design.

[ACER Assessment](#)

### ■ Energy

The EC Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators published its report on implementation of the Inter-Transmission System Operator Compensation mechanism (ITC) covering the year 2020.

[ACER Report](#)

### ■ European Commission – DG Competition

The EC appointed Mr Eric Gippini Fournier as Hearing Officer for competition cases, who acts as independent arbiter. He is not part of the Directorate General for Competition, but reports directly to Executive Vice-President and Commissioner for Competition Vestager.

## / Decisions

### **EC Decision of 18 November – Cummins / China Petrochemical Corporation / JV**

#### ■ **Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply**

The EC approved the creation of a joint venture by Cummins and China Petrochemical Corporation.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 17 November – WP / AP / T-Mobile Netherlands**

#### ■ **Telecommunications**

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control of T-Mobile Netherlands Holding B.V. by Warburg Pincus LLC and Apax Partners LLP.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 16 November – Neste / Ravago / JV**

#### ■ **Wholesale of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels and related products**

The EC approved the creation of a joint venture by Neste Oyj and Ravago S.A.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 15 November – CVC / Stock Spirits Group**

#### ■ **Manufacture of wine from grape; retail sale; distilling, rectifying and blending of spirits**

The EC approved the acquisition of sole control of Stock Spirits Group plc by CVC Capital Partners SICAV-FIS S.A. ("CVC").

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 12 November – CDPE / Macquarie / Blackstone / ASPI**

#### ■ **Service activities incidental to land transportation**

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control of Autostrade per l'Italia Spa by CDP Equity Spa, Macquarie Group Limited and Blackstone Group Inc.

[Case information](#)

## / From the OJEU

### ■ **Non-opposition to concentrations**

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Blackstone / Winoa – Case M.10024 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 467/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Apollo Management / K1 Group – Case M.10510 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 466/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration DMK / NIESKY / UELZENA / MILCHTROCKNUNG SÜDHANNOVER – Case M.10460 has been published.

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[Document 2021/C 464/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Goldman Sachs / ENEOS / NIPPO – Case M.10466 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 463/06 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Telenet / Willemen Groep / LIVIT – Case M.10479 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 463/05 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Channel 5 / BBC / ITV / Channel 4 / Digital UK – Case M.10184 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 463/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Bain Capital / CTI / BBG Holding – Case M.10490 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 463/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration AMD / XILINX – Case M.10097 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 463/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Sanacorp Pharmahandel / Leopold Fiebig and Gerda Nüchel – Case M.10141 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 463/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration BAIN CAPITAL / ITP AERO – Case M.10516 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 461/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration CPP Investments / BC Partners / CERAMTEC – Case M.10478 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 461/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Schwarz Group / CESPAC – Case M.10476 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 461/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration VINCI / EIFFAGE / SMTPC – Case M.10357 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 461/01 – Case information](#)

#### ■ **Prior notification of concentrations**

Prior notification of the concentration Mondelez / Chipita Industrial and Commercial Company – Case M.10350 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 467/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Advent / Eurazeo / Protel – Case M.10528 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 467/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Cogenio / Avio / Termica Colleferro – Case M.10558 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 467/06 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Societe Generale / Hyundai Motor Company / JV – Case M.10463 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 467/05 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration GIP / IFM / Sydney Airport – Case M.10532 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 466/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration SK Capital Partners / Seqens – Case M.10503 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 463/19 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration CREMER / Clyde Investments / CREMER Sustainable Foods JV – Case M.10496 has been published.

#### [Document 2021/C 461/06 – Case information](#)

## / Brussels intern

### ■ **Digital Markets Act**

EU Ministers are expected to adopt the general approach on the DMA at the Competitiveness Council on November 25. The Internal Market Committee of the European Parliament, in charge of the file, plans to vote on the proposal on November 22. Then the plenary will have to adopt it, most likely on December

13. Following that, negotiators of the Council, European Parliament and Commission will be ready to start inter-institutional negotiations to finalise the text of the DMA.

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