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- General    ■ Bank/Insurance/Tax    ■ Enviroment    ■ Media/Telecom    ■ Competition/SA
- Healthcare    ■ Aviation/Transport    ■ Foreign Trade    ■ Energy    ■ Compliance    ■ Food/Tobacco

## / Law

### ■ EU Industrial Emissions

The EC published two proposals to update and modernise the Industrial Emissions Directive, covering more relevant sources of emissions, together with the extraction of industrial minerals and metals and large-scale production of batteries. The new rules also aim to reduce administrative costs, increase transparency and support innovative technologies. The two proposals will now be discussed by the European Parliament and the Council. Member States will then have 18 months to transpose the directive into national legislation, after the proposal is finally adopted.

[EC proposal for Industrial Emissions Directive – EC proposal for Industrial Emissions Portal Regulation](#)

### ■ Green Deal

The EC released two new proposals to phase down fluorinated greenhouse gases (F-gases) and ozone

depleting substances (ODS), with the aim to further cut emissions of these gases and making Europe climate-neutral by 2050.

[EC proposal for a Regulation on F-gas – EC proposal for a Regulation on ODS](#)

### ■ External Power Supplies

The EC launched a consultation on the review of the European rules on external power supplies, in particular on the ecodesign and information requirements. Contributions can be submitted until 4 May. The Commission plans to adopt the regulation the third quarter of next year.

[EC dedicated page](#)

## ■ Digital Euro

The EC launched a call for evidence on its initiative to establish and regulate essential aspects of the digital euro, as a new form of central bank money. Contributions can be submitted until 14 June.

[EC dedicated page](#)

## ■ Sustainable Finance

As part of the renewed sustainable finance strategy, the EC published a call for evidence and a targeted consultation on environmental, social and governance ratings and sustainability factors in credit ratings. Contributions can be submitted until 6 June.

[EC consultation page](#)

## ■ Intellectual Property

The EC published a call for evidence on its future legislative work for the revision of the framework for compulsory licensing of patents. Contributions can be submitted until 29 April. The proposal is scheduled for adoption in the first quarter of 2023.

[EC dedicated page](#)

## ■ Motor Vehicles

Commission Delegated Regulation of 26 January 2022 supplementing Regulation 2019/2144 by laying down detailed rules concerning the specific test procedures and technical requirements for the type-approval of motor vehicles with regard to their event data recorder

and for the type-approval of those systems as separate technical units and amending Annex II to that Regulation has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[Commission Delegated Regulation 2022/545](#)

## ■ Foreign Direct Investment

Guidance to the Member States concerning foreign direct investment from Russia and Belarus in view of the military aggression against Ukraine and the restrictive measures laid down in recent Council Regulations on sanctions has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[EC Communication 2022/C 151 I/01](#)

## ■ Anti-dumping

Commission Implementing Regulation of 6 April 2022 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and definitively collecting the provisional duty imposed on imports of certain graphite electrode systems originating in the People's Republic of China has been published in the EU Official Journal.

[Commission Implementing Regulation 2022/558](#)

## ■ 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

## ■ National Gas Storage Regulations

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators published its report on national gas storage regulations, providing an overview of the current situation across the Union.

[ACER Report](#)

## / Decision

### **EC Decision of 07 April – AIP / Macquarie / Aberdeen / Onivia**

#### ■ **Telecommunications**

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control of Pentacom Investments Opco S.L.U. and Ucles InfraCo S.L. by Arjun Infrastructure Partners Limited (“AIP”), the Macquarie Group and the Aberdeen Group.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 06 April – Lufthansa / VW / JV**

#### ■ **Computer programming, consultancy and related activities**

The EC approved the creation of a joint venture by Lufthansa Industry Solutions AS GmbH (“LHIND”) and A4nXT GmbH.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 04 April – Samsung Biologics / Samsung Bioepis**

#### ■ **Manufacture of basic pharmaceutical products and preparations**

The EC approved the acquisition of sole control of Samsung Bioepis by Samsung Biologics.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 04 April – Santander / Mapfre / JV**

#### ■ **Financial service activities**

The EC approved the creation of a joint venture by Banco Santander S.A. and its subsidiaries and Mapfre S.A.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 01 April – Swiss Life International Holding / Elips Life**

#### ■ **Insurance, reinsurance and pension funding, except compulsory social security**

The EC approved the acquisition of Elips Life AG (“ELAG”) and the accident and health insurance portfolio of Elips Versicherungen AG (“EVAG”) by Swiss Life International Holding AG.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 01 April – CDPQ / Transurban / AustralianSuper / CPP Investments / ADIA / WCX**

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

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control of WestConnex (“WCX”) by Transurban Holdings Limited and AustralianSuper Pty Ltd, Caisse de depot et placement du Quebec (“CDPQ”) and Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (“CPP Investments”) and Tawreed Investments Limited.

[Case information](#)

## / From the OJEU

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

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Gamalife / Going concern of Zurich Investments Life Spa – Case M.10582 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 154/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Swiss Life International Holding / Elips Life – Case M.10602 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 154/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Archer Daniels Midland Singapore / Clyde Investments – Case M.10610 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 153/05 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration MGL / MSP / O'Connor / McLaren Racing – Case M.10586 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 153/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration MAX MARA / MITSUI / MCJ – Case M.10639 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 151/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration KKR / ACCELL GROUP – Case M.10654 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 151/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Generali France / La Medicale – Case M.10611 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 147/01 – Case information](#)

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

Prior notification of the concentration CDP Group / Fomas Group / Punch Group / JV – Case M.10691 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 154/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration NEXT / WP / PINK – Case M.10676 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 151/11 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Brookfield / Telia Company / Telia Towers Sweden – Case M.10666 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 150/05 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration NORDIC CAPITAL / ELLOS GROUP – Case M.10690 has been published.

[Document 2022/C 147/04 – Case information](#)

## / Brussels intern

### ■ ■ **Alternative Fuels Infrastructure**

The lead Committee at the European Parliament is supposed to vote on the proposal regarding alternative fuels infrastructure in May, with the vote in plenary in July. If not possible, the file will be postponed to September. Member States at the Council are expected to agree on a general approach on the proposal during next meeting of the Transport Council in June.

### ■ **Antitrust Enforcement**

The European Commission announced that regulation 1/2003 will be reviewed in order to ensure that the

European enforcement framework is still fit for the new challenges, in particular the digital ones.

### ■ **Energy Security**

The EU Platform for the common purchase of gas, LNG and hydrogen and for a more efficient use of EU gas infrastructure held a first meeting with representatives of Member States. For now the platform will act as a voluntary coordination mechanism.

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