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/ Main Topics

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

/ Law

■ Telecom Rules

The EC published two draft proposals of harmonisation tools, as part of the new EU telecom rules. The draft Delegated Act on single maximum Union-wide voice termination rates (so-called Eurorates) is open for feedback until 22 September. In addition to that, the Commission published for information the draft Recommendation and its accompanying Explanatory Note on Relevant Markets, which sets out the list of product and service markets that require regulatory intervention. Both proposals have been sent to the Body of European Regulators of Electronic Communication (BEREC) for their opinion and to the relevant Member States' regulatory authorities. The Commission will adopt the two proposals after having received the feedback from stakeholders and the opinions of BEREC; then Member States have to transpose the new rules into their national legislation by 21 December.

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[Draft delegated act on Union-wide voice termination rates – Consultation page – Recommendation on relevant markets](#)

■ Energy Efficiency Directive

The EC published its roadmap on the evaluation and review of the Energy Efficiency Directive (Directive 2012/27/EU). Contributions can be submitted until 21 September. The Commission is now working on its impact-assessment plan for 2030, which shall be published by September and it shall provide indications on the necessary contribution of energy efficiency and renewable energy. With this exercise the Commission evaluates the effectiveness of the framework of the EED since its entry into force. The adoption of the legislative proposal is foreseen for June 2021.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ Renewable Energy Rules

The EC launched a consultation on its roadmap on the revision of Directive 2018/2001 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources. Contributions can be submitted until 21 September. If necessary, a legislative proposal will be put forward in the second quarter of 2021.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ Rules of Origin

The EC adopted a package of proposals to modernise the EU's preferential trade agreements with 20 Pan-Euro-Mediterranean (PEM) partners by making the rules of origin more flexible. In particular, the

proposals concern the following countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland, Faroe Islands, Turkey, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Palestine, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Kosovo.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ 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

■ Brexit

After the 7th round of negotiations, no compromise has been reached on state aid and fisheries. The EU negotiator aims at signing on a deal during the European Council Summit in mid-October; therefore

progress on all crucial elements such as level playing field, governance, fisheries shall be made in the coming weeks.

/ Decisions

EC Decision of 27 August – Total / EDP Comercializadora

■ Electric power generation, transmission and distribution; manufacture of gas

The EC approved the acquisition of EDP Comercializadora by Total SE.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 26 August – Genstar / TA / Brinker

■ Activities auxiliary to financial services and insurance activities

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over a newly-created joint venture consisting of Brinker Capital Holdings Inc. and Orion Advisor Solutions LLC by Genstar Capital Partners LLC and TA Associates Cayman Ltd.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 26 August – Mitsubishi Corporation Energy / ENEOS / Taiyo Koyu

■ Retail sale of automotive fuel in specialised stores

The EC approved the creation of a joint venture between Mitsubishi Corporation Energy (“MCE”) and ENEOS Corporation.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 21 August – GIG Solar / Siemens / JV

■ Electric power generation, transmission and distribution; construction of utility projects for electricity and telecommunications

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over newly created joint venture MSS Energy Holdings LLC by GIG Solar Holdco LLC (“GIG Solar”) and Siemens Aktiengesellschaft.

[Case information](#)

/ From the OJEU

■ Non-opposition to concentrations

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Capgemini / Altran – Case M.9460 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 284/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration GIG Solar / Siemes / JV – Case M.9901 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 284/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration M&G Investment Management / Baring Asset Management / Tunstall Group Holdings – Case M.9856 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Total Direct Energie / Kernaman – Case M.9870 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Hitachi / ABB (Power Grid Division) – Case M.9447 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Charlesbank / TA / Vista / Aptean / Yaletown – Case M.9881 has been published.

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[Document 2020/C 280/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Fiege / Reiner Kurzhals / Cornelius Brosche / Remondis / WDL – Case M.9862 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 278/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Raytheon Technologies Corporation / Saudi Arabian Oil Company / Middle East Cyber Services JV – Case M.9868 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 278/01 – Case information](#)

■ Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration Bonduelle / Unibel / Sparkling Partners / Vegehub / Yumi – Case M.9908 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 284/06 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Stirling Square Capital Partners / TA Associates / DOCU Nordic Group – Case M.9931 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 283/05 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Danfoss / Eaton Hydraulics – Case M.9820 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/10 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration LGP / TGP / WellSky – Case M.9930 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/09 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Fortenova grupa / Poslovni sistemi Mercator – Case M.9495 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration INEOS / BP Chemicals Business – Case M.9883 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 280/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration TA Associates / Francisco Partners / Edifecs – Case M.9876 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 278/04 – Case information](#)

/ Brussels intern

■ State Aid Guidelines for Energy and Environment

By the end of the year the European Commission shall adopt the revised ETS State aid guidelines. The European executive is now assessing the results of the consultation and it stated that it will take into account the overall economic situation of energy-intensive industries.

■ Platform Competition Policy

Commissioner Vestager released a statement to the US subcommittee on antitrust, highlighting the European Commission's concerns regarding the so-called platform competition policy.

[Commissioner Statement](#)

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