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## Law

#### **Fluorinated Gases**

The Council agreed on a mandate to start inter-institutional negotiations with the European Parliament and the European Commission to agree on a final shape on two proposals for regulations that aim to phase down substances that deplete the ozone layer and cause greenhouse gas emissions. The agreement will then need to be formally adopted by both the Parliament and the Council before it can be published in the EU's Official Journal and enter into force.

Council mandate on the proposal for a regulation on substances that deplete the ozone layer – Council mandate on the proposal for a regulation on fluorinated greenhouse gases

## **Dual Use Regulation**

The EC opened a consultation on draft guidelines in relation to article 5 of the Dual Use Regulation which imposes controls on non-listed cyber-surveillance items. Contributions can be submitted until 9 June.

EC consultation page

### **Anti-dumping**

The EC published two implementing regulations re-imposing anti-dumping duty on Chinese imports of certain rubber tyres used for buses and trucks.

EC Implementing Regulation 2023/737 – EC Implementing Regulation 2023/738

#### State Aid

The EC published updated State aid guiding templates to assist Member States in designing measures for their national Recovery and Resilience Plans and for the implementation of the European Green Deal.

EC dedicated page

## **Environmental Taxonomy**

The EC is collecting feedback on a proposed new set of criteria for the economic activities that make a substantial contribution to a series of environmental objectives. At the same time it is also consulting on targeted amendments to the Taxonomy Climate Delegated Act and Taxonomy Disclosures Delegated Act. Contributions can be submitted until 03 May. The adoption by the Commission is planned for the second quarter of the year.

EC dedicated page



#### **Virtual Worlds**

The EC is collecting feedback on a future initiative on the emerging virtual worlds (metaverses). Contributions can be submitted until 03 May.

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**

#### **Competition Policy**

The EC published the 2022 Report on Competition Policy, with key policy developments and legislative initiatives of last year and a selection of enforcement actions.

EC dedicated page

### **Liquefied Natural Gas**

The EU Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators published its LNG benchmark, which aims to provide more transparency in the market, as required by Council Regulation 2022/2576.

ACER dedicated page

### **Electricity**

The EU Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators issued an opinion on the revised statutory documents of the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity.

**ACER Opinion** 

## **Decision**

EC Decision of 03 April – Marcegaglia Carbon Steel / SIA Severstal Distribution
Manufacture of basic metals



The EC approved the acquisition of sole control of SIA Severstal Distribution ("SSD") by Marcegaglia Carbon Steel.

Case information

# EC Decision of 31 March – The Hanwha Group / Daewoo Shipbuilding Marine Engineering Building of ships and boats; manufacture of other pumps and compressors; support activities for petroleum and natural

The EC approved the acquisition of sole control of Daewoo Shipbuilding Marine Engineering ("DSME") by the Hanwha Group.

Case information

## From the OJEU

#### Non-opposition to concentrations

Non-opposition to the notified concentration The Hanwha Group / Daewoo Shipbuilding Marine Engineering – Case M.11028 has been published.

Document 2023/C 123/03 - Case information

Non-opposition to the notified concentration NB / Ardian / Mediolanum / Neopharmed – Case M.10997 has been published.

Document 2023/C 123/01 - Case information

Non-opposition to the notified concentration CVC Capital / SCAN Global Logistics – Case M.11063 has been published.

Document 2023/C 120/01 - Case information

#### Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration HSBC / AXA / INTU MILTON KEYNES – Case M.11027 has been published.

Document 2023/C 123/13 - Case information



## **Brussels intern**

## **Artificial Intelligence**

The two responsible Committees of the European Parliament will vote on the report on the AI Act on 26 April. The text shall be confirm by the plenary on 31 May.

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