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/ Main Topics

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

/ Law

■ Foreign Subsidies

The EC launched a consultation on its inception impact assessment on the proposal for a regulation to address distortions caused by foreign subsidies. Contributions can be submitted until 29 October. This assessment follows the White Paper on Foreign Subsidies and the consultation on that, which ended last 23 September, and it opens a second phase of targeted consultations for the Commission with the view to collect further evidence and to prepare its legislative proposal which is expected for second quarter next year.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ State Aid Temporary Framework

The EC sent to Member States for consultation a draft proposal to prolong the framework beyond December, until 30 June 2021, and to extend its scope by enabling Member States to contribute to the fixed costs of companies that are not covered by their revenues and to adapt the conditions for recapitalisation measures.

[EC dedicated page](#)

■ Trade

The EC imposed definitive anti-dumping duties on imports of hot rolled stainless steel coils and sheets (SSHR) from Indonesia, China and Taiwan.

[EC Implementing Regulation 2020/1408](#)

■ Taxation

The Council added Anguilla and Barbados to the EU list of non-cooperative jurisdictions for tax purposes. Cayman Islands and Oman were removed from the list, after they improved their tax policy framework.

[Council decision](#)

■ Covid and Rail Transport

The Council adopted temporary derogation from existing rules on levying charges for the use of railway infrastructure. The emergency measures will apply retroactively from 1 March 2020 until 31 December

2020, and can be extended if necessary. The regulation is expected to be published in the EU Official Journal on 12 October and it will enter into force the day after.

[Regulation establishing measures for a sustainable rail market in view of the covid-19 outbreak](#)

■ 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

■ EU Electricity Supply

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators published two decisions on the methodologies for assessing whether the EU has sufficient electricity resources to meet its future electricity needs.

[ACER dedicated page](#)

■ European Electricity Markets

The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators launched a consultation on barriers to efficient price formation and easy entry and participation in European electricity markets. Contributions can be submitted until 25 October.

[ACER consultation page](#)

/ Decisions

EC Decision of 07 October – Broadcom

■ Manufacture of communication equipment

The EC ended its investigation into Broadcom after accepting commitments offered by the company to ensure competition in chipset markets for modems and set-top boxes.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 06 October – Clearlake Capital Group / TA Associates Management / Ivanti Software

■ Software publishing

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over Ivanti Software Inc. by Clearlake Capital Group L.P. and TA Associates Management L.P.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 06 October – PPF Group / Central European Media Enterprises

■ Telecommunications; advertising

The EC approved the proposed acquisition of Central European Media Enterprises (“CME”) by PPF Group NV.

[Case information](#)

/ From the OJEU

■ Non-opposition to concentrations

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Hayfin Capital Management / Frans Bonhomme Group – Case M.9891 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 335/06 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration PSPIB / Tishman Speyer / Espace Lumiere – Case M.9951 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 335/05 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Lone Star / BASF Construction Chemicals (EB) business – Case M.9736 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 335/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Nouryon / CP Kelco – Case M.9756 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 335/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Umicore / Cattierite Holdings Coöperatief – Case M.9379 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 335/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Uniq a / AXA (Insurance, Asset Management and Pensions – Czechia, Poland and Slovakia) – Case M.9796 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 332/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Kaufland / SCP Real Digital Assets – Case M.9932 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 331/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration KKR / Waves UK Divestco – Case M.9895 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 331/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Apollo Capital Management / Chyronhego – Case M.9933 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 330/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration KKR / Waves UK Divestco – Case M.9895 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 327/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration HPS / Temasek / Cypress Creek Holdings – Case M.9902 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 327/01 – Case information](#)

■ Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration Kohlberg / Mubadala / Partners Group / Pioneer UK Midco 1 – Case M.9967 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 335/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration KKR / Elsan – Case M.9960 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 331/11 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Telefonica / Liberty Global / JV – Case M.9871 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 330/06 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Sampo / RMI / Hastings – Case M.9939 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 330/05 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration SCUK / Volvo / Volvo Car Financial Services U.K. Limited JV – Case M.9904 has been published.

[Document 2020/C 327/10 – Case information](#)

/ Brussels intern

■ Brexit

EU Commission President and UK Prime Minister agreed to intensify the work of the negotiating teams over the coming weeks in order to obtain a trade agreement by the end of the month. However still significant gaps remained in the areas of fisheries, the level playing field and governance.

■ Climate Goals

A final agreement on the 2030 climate target shall be reached by the end of the year. Even if some Member States expressed their concerns for the competitiveness of their industries, a majority of them seems to agree on the need to update the emissions-cutting target.

■ Digital Identity Framework

EU Prime Ministers and Heads of State agreed on the need to develop an EU-wide framework for secure public electronic identification and called on the European Commission to present a proposal by mid-2021. The future framework should be available to all European businesses and citizens on a voluntary basis and being recognised by private and public service providers for all transactions that require authentication.

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