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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

### ■ State Aid and Covid

The EC submitted to Member States for consultation a draft proposal to amend its State Aid Temporary Framework. The Commission intends to prolong until 31 December 2021 the framework and to further adjust its scope to better support the economy in the context of the coronavirus outbreak, essentially proposing an increase of the maximum amounts of certain forms of support. The Commission will present its final proposal taking into account the comments of all Member States.

### ■ State Aid – Short term export credit Communication

The EC launched a public consultation to assess the availability of private short-term export-credit insurance capacity for exports to all countries listed as

“marketable risk countries” in the Short-term export-credit Communication. Based on the results of the consultation, the Commission may decide to prolong the removal of all countries from the list beyond June. Contributions can be submitted until 25 January.

[EC dedicated page](#)

### ■ Economic and Financial System

The EC presented a new strategy to stimulate the openness, strength and resilience of the EU’s economic and financial system. The communication is based on three pillars: promoting a stronger international role of the euro; further developing EU financial market infrastructures; promoting the implementation and enforcement of the EU’s own sanctions.

[EC Communication](#)

## ■ 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

## ■ Financial Aid

The EC invites comments from interested parties on its roadmap on the evaluation of macro-financial

assistance operations carried out between 2010-2020. Contributions can be submitted until 18 February.

[EC consultation page](#)

# / Decisions

## EC Decision of 21 January – German Umbrella Scheme (Covid)

### ■ Financial support

The EC approved the German umbrella scheme to compensate companies for damages linked to the coronavirus outbreak.

[Case information SA.60045](#)

## EC Decision of 21 January – Hyundai Motor Company / Hyundai Assan Otomotive Sanayi

### ■ Manufacture of motor vehicles

The EC approved the acquisition of Hyundai Assan Otomotiv Sanayi Ve Ticaret A.S of Turkey by Hyundai Motor Company.

[Case information](#)

## EC Decision of 21 January – BlackRock / Mubadala / Goldman Sachs / Calisen

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

The EC approved the acquisition of Calisen plc by BlackRock Alternatives Management LLC, Mubadala Investment Company PJSC and Goldman Sachs Inc.

[Case information](#)

## EC Decision of 20 January – Focus Home / Koch Media / Zenimax / Bandai Namco / Capcom – Video Games

### ■ Publishing of computer games

The EC fined Valve and the five publishers Bandai Namco, Capcom, Focus Home, Koch Media and ZeniMax for geo-blocking practices.

[Case information](#) – [Case information](#) – [Case information](#) – [Case information](#) – [Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 19 January – Carlyle / Flender**

#### **■ Manufacture of engines and turbines; repair and installation of machinery and equipment**

The EC approved the acquisition of Flender GmbH by The Carlyle Group Inc.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 19 January – Black Diamond Capital Management / Investindustrial Group / Phenolic Specialty Resins Business of Hexion**

#### **■ Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products**

The EC approved the acquisition of the Phenolic Specialty Resins business of Hexion Inc by Black Diamond Capital Management LLC and Investindustrial S.A.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 18 January – Pizarreno / Maderas Arauco / E2E JV**

#### **■ Manufacture of wood and cork, wood-based panels**

The EC approved the acquisition of E2E S.A. by Pizarreno S.A. and Maderas Arauco S.A.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 15 January – Vitol / Drax Generation**

#### **■ Energy and electricity**

The EC approved the acquisition of Drax Generation Enterprise Limited by Vitol Holding B.V.

[Case information](#)

### **EC Decision of 15 January – DE – ERP – Mezzanine Innovation Programme**

#### **■ Innovation**

The EC approved the modification of a German scheme to support research and development.

[Case information](#)

## **/ From the OJEU**

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

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Leonardo / Thales / VSB – Case M.9892 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 24/05 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Pizarreno / Maderas Arauco / E2E JV – Case M.10034 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 24/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Voith / PCSH / TSA – Case M.9911 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 24/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration CIMIC / Elliott / Thiess – Case M.9984 has been published.

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[Document 2021/C 24/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Vitol / Drax Generation – Case M.10073 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 22/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Netcompany / Copenhagen Airports / SMARTER Airports JV – Case M.10021 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 21/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Ube Industries / Mitsubishi Materials Corporation / JV – Case M.10030 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 21/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Groupe Credit Agricole / Groupe Generali / Europ Assistance France / Viavita – Case M.9974 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 20/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Allied Universal Topco / G4S – Case M.10038 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 20/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration DTC / CEPCON / Hornsea One OFTO – Case M.9956 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 18/01 – Case information](#)

#### ■ Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration A.P. Moller / APMH Invest / Faerch Group – Case M.10117 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 24/17 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Partners Group / Warburg Pincus / Ecom Express Private – Case M.10131 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 24/16 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration FSN Capital / Obton Invest / Obton Group – Case M.10105 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 24/15 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Stirling Square Capital Partners / TA Associates / NBS Group – Case M.10100 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 22/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Blackstone / Winoa – Case M.10024 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 21/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Invitalia / ArcelorMittal / AM InvestCo – Case M.10096 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 21/06 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Credit Agricole Italia / Credito Valtellinese – Case M.10095 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 20/09 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration American Industrial Partners / Personal Care Business of Domtar – Case M.10145 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 20/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Cerberus Group / Dorel Industries – Case M.10086 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 20/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration EQT / Molslinjen – Case M.10120 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 18/13 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Francisco Partners / Marlin Equity Partners / Conan Holdco – Case M.10060 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 18/12 – Case information](#)

## / Brussels intern

#### ■ Sustainable Finance

The final proposal of the implementing rules of the European sustainable finance taxonomy has been postponed. Originally planned for the beginning of

January, the adoption of the delegated act by the European Commission has been delayed.

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