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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 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

Guidelines on certain State aid measures in the context of the system for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading post-2021 have been published.

[Guidelines](#)

■ Anti-dumping China

Commission Implementing Regulation 2021/582 of 9 April 2021 imposing a provisional anti-dumping duty on imports of aluminium flat-rolled products originating in the People’s Republic of China has been published.

[Commission Implementing Regulation 2021/582](#)

■ VAT

The EC proposed to exempt from Value Added Tax goods and services made available by the EC, EU bodies and agencies to Member States and citizens during the pandemic. This legislative proposal will amend the VAT directive (Directive 2006/112/EC) and will now be submitted to the European Parliament for its opinion and to the Council for adoption.

[Proposal for a Council Directive](#)

■ 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

■ ■ Digital Markets Act and Digital Services Act

The European Consumer Organisation (BEUC) released two position papers on the European Commission's Digital Markets Act and Digital Services Act.

In the case of the DMA, BEUC stresses the need for effective enforcement measures from the first infringement by a gatekeeper and specific rules to ensure the act is enforceable in national courts, also with class actions. With regard to the DSA, the organisation calls for a clear and strict liability regime for marketplaces and for broader responsibilities.

[DMA position paper](#) – [DSA position paper](#)

■ DG Trade

The EC appointed Ms Maria Martin-Prat de Abreu to the function of Deputy Director-General of the Directorate-General for Trade. The date of effect will be determined in the coming weeks.

■ DG Energy

The EC appointed Ms Mechthild Wörsdörfer to the function of Deputy Director-General of the Directorate-General for Energy. The date of effect will be determined in the coming weeks.

/ Decisions

EC Decision of 14 April – Inter-Risco / Unavets / OneVet

■ Veterinary activities

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over OneVet Group SGPS S.A. by Unavets Healthcare S.L. and Inter-Risco, Sociedade de Capital de Risco S.A.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 14 April – Schwarz Group / Suez Waste Management Companies

■ Waste treatment and disposal

The EC approved the acquisition of certain Suez waste management companies by the Schwarz Group, subject to conditions.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 12 April – Pierer Industrie / Palfinger / FSS / Jetfly

■ Passenger air transport

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control over Jetfly Airline GmbH by Pierer Industrie AG, Palfinger AG and FSS Vermögensverwaltung GmbH.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 12 April – KION / Jungheinrich / HSP

■ Manufacture of lifting and handling equipment; manufacture of other products of first processing of steel

The EC approved the acquisition of parts of Hoesch Schwerter Profile GmbH ("HSP") by KION Group AG and Jungheinrich AG.

[Case information](#)

EC Decision of 12 April – United Internet / Morgan Stanley / Tele Columbus

■ Telecommunications

The EC approved the acquisition of joint control of Tele Columbus AG by Morgan Stanley and United Internet AG.

[Case information](#)

/ From the OJEU

■ Non-opposition to concentrations

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Pierer Industrie / Palfinger / FSS / Jetfly – Case M.10185 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 133/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Infosys / Daimler (Certain Assets and Personnel) – Case M.10159 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 132/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration CMA CGM / CEVA – Case M.9221 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 130/01 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration PPG / Tikkurila – Case M.10123 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 129/06 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration BH Holding / TEDi – Case M.10180 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 129/05 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Macquarie / Aberdeen / Ucles JV – Case M.10174 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 129/04 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration OTPP / IFM / Enwave Energy Canada – Case M.10193 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 129/03 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Sika / Financiere Dry Miy Solutions – Case M.9276 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 129/02 – Case information](#)

Non-opposition to the notified concentration Continental / Light control units business of OSRAM Continental – Case M.10167 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 125/01 – Case information](#)

■ Prior notification of concentrations

Prior notification of the concentration TPG Capital / AT&T / AT&T US Video Business – Case M.10220 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 133/11 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Ravago / Indukern – Case M.10213 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 133/10 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration KPS Capital Partners / Hydro Rolling – Case M.10227 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 132/08 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration AmerisourceBergen / parts of Walgreens Boots Alliance's Pharmaceutical Business – Case M.10162 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 132/07 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration Ceravis / Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft / E-VITA JV – Case M.10209 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 130/05 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration AES / Coatue / Schneider Electric / Uplight – Case M.10225 has been published.

[Document 2021/C 130/04 – Case information](#)

Prior notification of the concentration ICG / Dr. Axel Paeger / AMEOS – Case M.10207 has been published.

/ Brussels intern

■ Foreign Subsidies

The European Commission shall present its proposal for a regulation on distortive foreign subsidies on 5 May.

■ Artificial Intelligence

Commissioner Vestager is expected to release a follow-up to the white paper on artificial intelligence on 21 April.

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