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Competitive Edge

Keeping you up to date on Competition & EU law developments in Europe and beyond

In Focus



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A forward-looking retrospective: 10 years of Hungarian competition law enforcement

A chapter of the Hungarian Competition Authority's (GVH) practice may be coming to an end. This article describes how the GVH coped with its tasks of competition control, advocacy and developing a culture of competition in the past decade in Hungary. It also provides a practical overview of the key trends of the authority's practice over the past ten years.

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Updates from our jurisdictions

EU

A new EU trade instrument to ban products made by forced labour: what do we know so far?

For more information contact Francine Cunningham and Lluís Girbau Cabanas

Australia

Do not pass go, do not collect 200 VND: Federal Court of Australia imposes first ever prison sentences for cartel conduct

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For more information contact For more information contact <u>Thomas Jones</u>, <u>Matthew Bovaird</u> or <u>Patrick Cordwell</u>

Belgium

Commission refers supermarket acquisition to Belgian authority

For more information contact Hein Hobbelen or Baptist Vleeshouwers

Czech Republic

Investigation into food re-purchasing contract









Senior Counsel joins our Competition team in Finland

We are delighted to announce that Senior Counsel **Petteri Metsä-Tokila** recently joined our team in Helsinki. He has over 20 years' experience advising clients in competition law in areas ranging from distribution agreements and horizontal cooperation to complex merger control proceedings.

Petteri has broad experience in representing clients before different authorities and courts in competition and regulatory proceedings. He is a businessoriented lawyer, advising clients in the food, retail, communication and media, financial services, and

technology industries, among others.

In addition to competition law, he also advises clients in various regulatory and compliance issues as well as in commercial agreements.

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German Bird & Bird Antitrust team and partner recognised in WirtschaftsWoche ranking

Congratulations to our German antitrust team and partner <u>Stephan Waldheim</u>, who was recognised by WirtschaftsWoche, one of Germany's most wellknown economic weekly newspapers, in its 2022 'WiWo' ranking. This ranking selects 'the most renowned law firms and lawyers for antitrust law' in Germany.

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Supply & Distribution eLearning course

Reflecting the new EU competition rules for distribution – in effect from 1 June 2022

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Updated eLearning course on competition rules for Supply and Distribution

On June 1st the <u>new competition regime for distribution in the EU</u> came into force, affecting businesses that distribute products in the EU. If your company needs training on the new regime, we would be happy to help.

Our eLearning course on Supply & Distribution competition rules has also been updated to reflect the new regime. Watch a short demo video of the eLearning course <u>here</u>.

<u>Get in touch</u> with your local Bird & Bird Competition & EU lawyer if you have specific questions or would like to explore opportunities that the new regime may open up for your business.

Webinars & events



EU Competition Law Summer School 2022

8 - 12 August 2022 Downing College, Cambridge, UK

Competition & EU partners <u>Peter Willis</u> and <u>Anne</u> <u>Federle</u> will present at the Informa Connect EU Competition Law Summer School, covering the topics of mergers and hard core cartels.

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Lear Competition Festival 2022

21 - 23 September 2022 Rome

This festival in Rome is a hub that gathers innovation, networking, and exciting opportunities for the antitrust community.

It brings together all the stakeholders of the antitrust field – competition authorities, regulatory agencies, international organizations, universities, law firms, companies – in plenary sessions organized by Lear and in parallel sessions organized by the LCF Partners.

During the three-day festival, participants will have the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of specific antitrust issues, to acquire new tools for legal and economic analysis and to network with the main players in the competition field.

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