

COMPETITION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration (Case COMP/[M.6402](#) - REWE/SAG/JV)

Non-opposition to a notified concentration (Case COMP/[M.6400](#) - ECE/METRO/MEC JV)

EU mergers and takeovers (Jan 16)
[EU Briefing 16-17.01.2012](#) ([bilaterals.org](#))

Bundeskartellamt plans to clear Gazprom's acquisition of minority interest in VNG (13.01.2012)

OFT - Completed acquisition by Richard Burbidge Limited of FW Mason & Sons Limited

OFT - Anticipated acquisition by Princes Limited of certain assets and operations of the canning business of Premier Foods Limited

The Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic fined the participant to the electricity market (13.01.2012)

STATE AID

Commission Decision of 29 June 2011 on State aid granted by France to the Institut Français du Pétrole (Case C 35 /08 (ex NN 11/08))

TRADE & CUSTOMS

2011-2012 Taric correlation table (11 January 2012)

Agenda for the 156th Customs Code Committee – Customs status & Transit Section on 19 January 2012

Agenda for: Trade Policy Committee (Full Members) on 20 January 2012

India, EU FTA will take more time to materialize

[EU Briefing 16-17.01.2012](#) ([smetimes.in](#))

EU urges China to join WTO procurement deal

[EU Briefing 16-17.01.2012](#) ([gulftoday](#))

INTERNAL MARKET & GENERAL

Judgment of the Court of 17.01.2012 in Case [C-347/10](#), A. Salemink Vs. Raad van bestuur van het Uitvoeringsinstituut werknemersverzekeringen-

Re: Social security for migrant workers - Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 - Worker employed on gas-drilling platform on the continental shelf adjacent to the Netherlands - Compulsory insurance - Refusal to pay invalidity benefit

Statement by President Barroso on the election of the new President of the European Parliament, [Mr Martin Schulz](#), Strasbourg, 17 January 2012

[European Voice 17.01.2012](#)

EU launches the European Year for Active Ageing & Solidarity between Generations: Get involved!

[Midday Express 17.01.2012](#)

Orbán to discuss Hungary's constitution with MEPs

[European Voice 17.01.2012](#)

FINANCIAL SERVICES & TAXATION

Agenda for : Working Party on Financial Services (CRD4; attachés + experts) on 20 January 2012

Creation of a High-level Expert Group on reforming the structure of the EU banking sector

[Midday Express 17.01.2012](#)

INDUSTRY, ENTERPRISES, RESEARCH

Commission Implementing [Decision](#) of 13 January 2012 on the compliance of standard [EN 60065:2002/A12:2011](#) 'Audio, video and similar electronic apparatus - Safety requirements' and of standard [EN 60950-1:2006/A12:2011](#) 'Information technology equipment - Safety - Part 1: General requirements' with the general safety requirement of [Directive 2001/95/EC](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council and on the publication of the references of those standards in the *Official Journal* of the *European Union*

Antonio Tajani visits Madrid on 17 and 18 January to meet with Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy and the new Spanish government

[Midday Express 17.01.2012](#)

Towards tailor made tourism through smart use of ICT to support SMEs

[Midday Express 17.01.2012](#)

BASF to end GM crop production for the EU

[European Voice 17.01.2012](#)

[Financial Times 17.01.2011 p.2](#)

ENVIRONMENT

France takes [87 actions](#) to boost eco-industry (See [Official Statement](#))

HEALTH & CONSUMER PROTECTION

Reasoned opinions of EFSA: Modification of the existing MRLs for :

- [metalaxyl-M in lettuce and other salad plants](#)

- [chlorantraniliprole in various crops](#)

- [glyphosate in lentils](#)

EFSA - [Conclusion](#) on the peer review of the pesticide risk assessment of the active substance plant oils/clove oil

EFSA - [Annual report](#) of the Scientific Network on BSE-TSE

EU plan on fake drugs hits resistance

[Wall Street Journal Europe 17.01.2012 p.21](#)

EURO & ECONOMY

"Special Meeting of the European Bank Coordination "Vienna" Initiative" ([Memo/12/15](#))

[Midday Express 17.01.2012](#)

December 2011 - Euro area [annual inflation](#) down to 2.7% - EU down to 3.0%

[Statement](#) by the President of the Eurogroup

Monti warns of backlash (See [Press remarks](#) by H.Van Rompuy)

[Financial Times 17.01.2011 p.1](#)

Euro-zone bail-out fund hit by downgarde

[EU Briefing 16-17.01.2012 \(Reuters\)](#)

[Wall Street Journal Europe 17.01.2012 p.1](#)

Finnish FM raps euro pact plan

[Financial Times 17.01.2011 p.2](#)

Greek default fears grow as talks stumble – A plan B for Greece

[Financial Times 17.01.2011 p.10](#)

[Wall Street Journal Europe 17.01.2012 p.4 &14](#)

ECB's Chief says debt crisis is very grave, urges action

[Wall Street Journal Europe 17.01.2012 p.5](#)

Draghi questions role of ratings companies

[EU Briefing 16-17.01.2012 \(Bloomberg\)](#)

EXT. RELATIONS & ACCESSION

[Remarks](#) by H.R. Catherine Ashton following the EU-India Ministerial Meeting, Bangalore, India

Commissioner Georgieva on the Sahel food crisis: "The alarm bells are ringing, we need to act now" ([IP/12/21](#))

France said to seek faster implementation of EU's oil embargo against Iran

[EU Briefing 16-17.01.2012 \(bilaterals.org\)](#)