

## Competition

[Non-opposition](#) to a notified concentration (Case [M.8919](#) - **Permira/Exclusive Group**)

Prior [notification](#) of a concentration (Case [M.9000](#) - **Bain Capital/Reifen Krieg Group**)

Prior [notification](#) of a concentration (Case [M.8949](#) - **Tenneco/Federal-Mogul**)

Prior [notification](#) of a concentration (Case [M.8959](#) - **Sonatrach/Augusta Refinery Assets**)

Prior [notification](#) of a concentration (Case [M.8996](#) - **GIC Group/FPL/JustGroup/JV**)

[Answer](#) given by Ms Vestager: Possible breach of competition rules arising from discriminatory electricity tariffs in Spain - [E-002446/2018](#)

[Statement](#) by Commissioner Vestager at ITRE Committee on **9 July 2018**

**Belgium:** [Acquisition](#) of Garage Vriesdonk N.V., E. (Eddy) Joosen N.V., Garage A. Swinnen B.V.B.A. and Garage Euromotors N.V. (*group Andries*) by Hedin Belgien Bil AB and I.A. Hedin Bil AB (*group Anders Hedin*)

**Romania** - The Competition Council [analyses](#) the taking over of S Immo AG by Immofinanz AG

**Google faces multibillion Dollar antitrust fine** - *The EU's antitrust watchdog is expected to find Alphabet's Google illegally abused the dominance of its Android operating system for mobile phones*

[Wall Street Journal 11.07.2018](#)

## State Aid

**Commission** clears **Austrian risk capital premium scheme** ([SA.48840](#))  
[Midday Express 11.07.2018](#)

**Commission** approves **prolongation** of Polish bank guarantee scheme ([SA.51235](#))

[Midday Express 11.07.2018](#)

## Trade & Customs

**Agenda** for: **Trade Policy Committee (Services & Investment)** of **18.07.2018**

**Agenda** for: [Economic Tariff Questions](#) Group of **12-13.07.2018**

**Decision No 1/2018** of the EU-Ukraine Association Committee in Trade Configuration of **14.05.2018** updating Annex XXI to Chapter 8 on Public Procurement of Title IV - Trade and Trade-Related Matters of the Association Agreement and giving a favourable opinion regarding the comprehensive roadmap on public procurement

**Notice** of the [impending expiry](#) of certain anti-dumping measures (Ferro-silicon - The P.R. of China ; Russia - 11.4.2019)

[Draft](#) - **Council Decision** on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Association Committee in Trade configuration established by the Association Agreement between the EU and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Georgia, of the other part, regarding the update of Annex III (Approximation) concerning rules applicable to standardisation, accreditation, conformity assessment,

**technical regulation and metrology**, and Annex XVI (Public Procurement) to the **Agreement**

**Commission** engages with **stakeholders** in **meeting** of the [Advisory Group](#) on EU **Trade Agreements**

[Midday Express 11.07.2018](#)

**Answer** given by **Ms Malmström**: **US customs duties on steel and aluminium** - [E-002476/2018](#), [E-002904/2018](#)

**Protectionism** and **international diplomacy**

[Study for Inta & Afet Committees - June 2018](#)

**WTO** - [Items proposed](#) for **consideration** at the **next meeting** of **Dispute Settlement Body** of **20.07.2018**

**US unveils tariffs on \$200 billion more in Chinese imports**

[Wall Street Journal 11.07.2018](#)

## **Internal Market & General**

Judgment of the Court of 11.07.2018 in Case [C-192/17](#), **COBRA SpA Vs. Ministero dello Sviluppo economico**

**Re:** Reference for a preliminary ruling - Directive 1999/5/EC - Mutual recognition of the conformity of radio equipment and telecommunications terminal equipment - Existence of harmonised standards - Need for the manufacturer to consult a notified body - Affixing of the identification number of a notified body

**Agenda** for: **Meeting** of the **Coreper** ([Part.1](#)) of **13.07.2018**

**EU budget for 2019: Council** [agrees](#) its **position**

**Subsidiarity and Proportionality:** [Task Force](#) presents **recommendations** on a **new way of working** to **President Juncker** ([IP/18/4393](#), [Factsheet](#), [Final Report of the Task Force](#))

**European Commission** appoints **new Head of Representation** in **Spain** ([IP/18/4422](#))

A [statistical portrait](#) of the EU compared with **G20 countries** - The EU in the **world – 2018 edition**

## **Financial Services & Taxation**

Judgment of the Court of 11.07.2018 in Case [C-154/17](#), **SIA ‘E LATS’ Vs. Valsts ienēmumu dienests**

**Re:** Reference for a preliminary ruling - Taxation - VAT - Directive 2006/112/EC - Article 311(1)(1) - Special arrangements for second-hand goods - Definition of 'second-hand goods' - Goods containing precious metals or precious stones resold by a trader - Processing of those goods after sale - Recovery of the precious metals or precious stones - Concept of 'precious metals or precious stones'

**Agenda** for: **Working Party on Tax Questions** ([Indirect Taxation - Digital](#)) of **18.07.2018**

**Minutes** of the [92nd SCAC](#) **meeting** of **25.06.2018**

**Answer** given by **V.P. Dombrovskis** : **Mifid II effects** - [E-002928/2018](#)

**ESMA** [statement](#) at **ECON** **scrutiny session** on **Benchmarks Regulation**

## **Energy**

**8<sup>th</sup> EU-US Energy Council** and **high-level EU-US bilateral meetings** take place in **Brussels**

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## **Environment & Climate Change**

Judgment of the Court of 11.07.2018 in Case [C-15/17](#), **Bosphorus Queen Shipping Ltd Corp. Vs. Rajavartiolaitos**

**Re:** Reference for a preliminary ruling - Montego Bay Convention - Article 220(6) - Enforcement by the coastal State - Jurisdiction of the Court to interpret provisions of international law - Directive 2005/35/EC - Ship-source pollution - Article 7(2) - Marpol Convention 73/78 - Oil spill in the exclusive economic zone from a foreign vessel in transit - Circumstances in which a coastal State may instigate proceedings against a foreign vessel - Freedom of navigation - Protection of the marine environment - Major damage or threat of major damage to the coastline, related interests or any resources in the territorial sea or exclusive economic zone - Clear objective evidence

[Draft](#) - **Commission Regulation (EU)** .../... of XXX amending **Annexes IV and V to Regulation (EC) No** [850/2004](#) **of the European Parliament and of the Council on persistent organic pollutants** (*See the Annex*)

**Conditionality: Finding a simpler way to ensure environmental performance -**  
[Information](#) from the Finnish delegation, on behalf of the Danish, Estonian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Luxembourg, Netherlands and Swedish delegations

**UEAPME position on the F-Gases implementation**

### **Health, Food & Products Safety**

**Agenda for Working Party on Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices of 17.07.2018**

**Commission takes further action to improve consumer protection against toxic substances**

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### **Digital & Information Society**

**Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the respect for private life and the protection of personal data in electronic communications and repealing Directive 2002/58/EC (Regulation on Privacy and Electronic Communications) -** [Examination](#) of the **Presidency text**

### **ECB, Euro & Economy**

**Commission supports normalisation in Greece through activation of post-programme framework** ([IP/18/4381](#), QaA : [Memo/18/4382](#), Remarks by [P. Moscovici](#))

The **natural rate of interest** and the **financial cycle**

[ECB Working Paper No.2168 - July 2018](#)

**Financial frictions, international capital flows and welfare**

[ECB Working Paper No.2167 - July 2018](#)

### **Brexit**

**Speech by [Michel Barnier](#) at the European American Chamber of Commerce**

**Cabinet clash only first test for UK's new Brexit strategy**

[Wall Street Journal 11.07.2018](#)

**EIB wants UK to remain a member -**  
Infrastructure bank chief says both sides have something to offer after Brexit

[Financial Times 11.07.2018](#)

### **Foreign Affairs**

**The EU's External Investment Plan: first projects in Africa and the Neighbourhood** ([IP/18/4385](#), QaA : [Memo/18/4425](#))

**EU steps up humanitarian aid in Somalia with €89.5 million** ([IP/18/4387](#))

**Remarks by President [Donald Tusk](#) on EU-NATO cooperation** (See the [Joint declaration](#))

Judgment of the Court of 11.07.2018 in Case [C-629/16](#), CX Vs. **Bezirkshauptmannschaft Schärding**

**Re:** Reference for a preliminary ruling - International road transport - Agreement establishing an Association between the EEC and Turkey - Article 9 - Additional Protocol - Articles 41 and 42 - Freedom to provide services - Standstill clause - Decision No 1/95 of the EC-Turkey Association Council - Articles 5 and 7 - Free movement of goods - National legislation restricting the right of road haulage undertakings with their seat in Turkey to operate their vehicles in the territory of the Member State concerned - Obligation to obtain an authorisation issued within the limits of a quota determined on the basis of a bilateral agreement concluded between that Member State and Turkey or a permit granted for a single transport of substantial public interest