

COMPETITION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration (Case [M.7651](#) - **Bain Capital/Davigel Group**)

Non-opposition to a notified concentration (Case [M.7709](#) - **Bright Food Group / Invermik**)

Prior notification of a concentration (Case [M.7752](#) - **ACE/Chubb**)

Prior notification of a concentration (Case [M.7729](#) - **Willis Group/Towers Watson & Co.**)

Commission fines suppliers of optical disc drives € 116 million for cartel ([IP/15/5885](#) & [Statement](#) by Commissioner Vestager)

FedEx set for go-ahead on €4.4bn TNT deal - Parcel groups signal Brussels assurance takeover will be allowed

[Financial Times 21.10.2015](#)

[Wall Street Journal Europe 21.10.2015](#)

[EU Briefing 20-21.10.2015](#) (Reuters)

STATE AID

Commission decides selective tax advantages for Fiat in Luxembourg and Starbucks in the Netherlands are illegal under EU state aid rules ([IP/15/5880](#), [Statement](#) by Commissioner Vestager, see reactions from [Luxembourg](#) and [Dutch Governments](#))

[Wall Street Journal Europe 21.10.2015](#)

TRADE & CUSTOMS

Proposal for a **Council Decision** on the **position** to be **adopted** on **behalf** of the **European Union** within the **Administrative Committee** for the TIR Convention as regards the **proposal** to

amend the Customs Convention on the **international transport of goods** under cover of **TIR carnets** (See [Annex 1](#) & [Annex 2](#))

Annual Report on **negotiations undertaken** by the **Commission** in the field of **export credits**, in the **sense** of **Regulation** (EU) No 1233/2011

TTIP - 11th Round Negotiation - **Stakeholder Forum** (See [full list of organisations](#))

EU farmers and maize processors join forces as the **11th round** of **TTIP negotiations** starts

Malmström meets Ministers from ACP, preparing **WTO Conference**

Indonesia eyes new trade agreements
[Financial Times 21.10.2015 p.3](#)

INTERNAL MARKET & GENERAL

Agenda for: **2560th meeting** of the **Coreper** ([Part.1](#) & [Part.2](#)) of **21.10.2015**

IMCO Newsletter, Issue 63, October 2015

Agenda for: **Meeting** of the **EP IMCO Committee** on **10.11.2015**

FINANCIAL SERVICES & TAXATION

Proposal for a **Council Decision** on the signing ([Annex](#)) and on the conclusion ([Annex](#)) on **behalf** of the **European Union**, of the **Amending Protocol** to the **Agreement** between the **European Community** and the **Republic of San Marino** providing for **measures equivalent** to those laid down in Council **Directive** [2003/48/EC](#) on **taxation of savings income** in the **form** of **interest payments**

Agenda for: Working Party on Tax Questions (*Direct Taxation*) of [28.10](#) & [29.10.2015](#)

INDUSTRY, COMPETITIVENESS, SMES

Agenda for: Working Party on Technical Harmonisation (*Motor Vehicles*) of **03.11.2015**

EU and US sign [Cooperation Arrangement](#) on **Copernicus Earth Observation Data**

UK Steel industry crisis intensifies with 1,200 more job losses
[Financial Times 21.10.2015](#)

REACH [legislation](#): beyond 2018 - Cefic

AGRICULTURE & MARITIME AFFAIRS

Copa and Cogeca hold major event focusing on **need** for a [EU horse policy](#) as **horses play major role in rural areas, agri-tourism, health & therapy**

ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE

A reform agenda for a sustainable Europe: Reinforcing the safety net protecting people and the environment
(See [EEB Statement](#) – 19.10.2015)

CONSUMER, FOOD SAFETY & HEALTH

Commission **Regulation** (EU) [2015/1886](#) of 20.10.2015 **refusing to authorise** certain **health claims** made on **foods** and **referring to children's development and health**

EFSA – **Agenda** for [6th specific meeting](#) on **IT data reporting, scientific network for zoonoses monitoring data**

EFSA - [Isoflavones](#) in food supplements for **post-menopausal women: no evidence of harm**

DIGITAL & INFORMATION SOCIETY

[Agenda](#) for: Working Party on Telecommunications & Information Society of 28-29.10.2015

Judgment of the Court of 21.10.2015 in Case [C-347/14](#), **New Media Online GmbH Vs. Bundeskommunikationssenat**

Re: Reference for a preliminary ruling - Directive 2010/13/EU - Concepts of 'programme' and 'audiovisual media service' - Determination of the principal purpose of an audiovisual media service - Comparability of the service to television broadcasting - Inclusion of short videos in a section of a newspaper's website available on the Internet

Irish data regulator to examine **Facebook** - *Complaint against social media group challenged 'Safe Harbour' agreement on sharing data*
[Financial Times 21.10.2015](#)

EURO, ECB & ECONOMY

Provision of deficit and debt data for 2014 – [2nd notification](#) - Euro area and EU28 government deficit at 2.6% and 3.0% of GDP respectively - Government debt at 92.1% and 86.8%

ECB sees **signs of thaw in bank lending** - Growth in business loans boosts eurozone recovery hopes
[Financial Times 21.10.2015 p.1](#)

FUTURE OF EUROPE

UK employers see risks in alternatives to EU membership
[EU Briefing 20-21.10.2015](#) (Reuters)

EU referendum exposes class divide in British society
[Financial Times 21.10.2015](#)

UK migrant benefits key to EU negotiations - *London wants to reduce 'extraordinarily generous' payments*
[Financial Times 21.10.2015](#)

FOREIGN AFFAIRS & ACCESSION

President Juncker [calls](#) Leaders' Meeting in Brussels on refugee flows along the Western Balkans route

The **European Union** announces **new support** for **Somali refugees** ([IP/15/5878](#) & [Memo/15/5879](#))