

Interim Measures in Competition Cases

Budapest, Hungary

14-16 June 2022

Seminar objectives

The debate concerning the effectiveness and efficiency of antitrust enforcement in fast-moving markets turned the spotlight on interim measures, which are protective and corrective tools that may be adopted while investigating possible antitrust infringements. With the help of practiced competition officials, the seminar will explore what kind of cases are best suited for interim measures, what principles and legal standards should be observed, while addressing policy considerations and due process issues.

The speakers



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Agenda

Tuesday, 14 June 2022		
09.00-10.00	OPENING REMARKS, GROUP PHOTO, TOUR DE TABLE Mr László Bak, Vice President of the GVH Mr Renato Ferrandi, Coordinator of OECD-GVH training activities	
10.00-10.45	ANTITRUST INFRINGEMENTS AND COMPETITION ENFORCEMENT Interim measures as an additional tool for deterrence and effectiveness Mr Matteo Giangaspero and Mr Renato Ferrandi (OECD, Paris)	
10.45-11.00	COFFEE BREAK	
11.00-11.45	THE LEGAL STANDARD FOR INTERIM MEASURES Likelihood of infringement and urgency Ms Eszter Kovács-Hum (GVH, Hungary)	
11.45-12.30	DESIGNING INTERIM MEASURES Key principles for effective interim measures Mr Valentīns Hitrovs (Competition Council, Latvia)	
12.30-14.00	LUNCH	
14.00-15.00	CASE STUDIES IN EASTERN EUROPE Experience and potential in the region Mr Stefan Săbău (Competition consultant, EC)	
15.00-15.15	Introduction to the breakout session Mr Renato Ferrandi (OECD, Paris)	
15.15-15.30	COFFEE BREAK	
15.30-17.00	BREAK OUT SESSION Discussion on interim measures in different competition regimes Moderated by the speakers	
19.00-21.00	DINNER	

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Wednesday, 15 June 2022		
09.30-10.45	INTERIM MEASURES IN DIGITAL MARKETS The experience of the French Autorité Mr Jérôme Schall (Autorité de la Concurrence, France)	
10.45-11.00	COFFEE BREAK	
11.00-11.45	REGULATORY INITIATIVES IN DIGITAL MARKETS The interplay with interim measures Mr Stefan Săbău (Competition consultant, EC)	
11.45-12.30	PROCEDURAL FAIRNESS General rules and specific precautions Ms Eszter Kovács-Hum (GVH, Hungary)	
12.30-14.00	LUNCH	
14.00-15.00	STRIKING THE RIGHT BALANCE Considerations on interim measures Mr Matteo Giangaspero (OECD, Paris)	
15.00-15.15	Illustration of an hypothetical case Mr Renato Ferrandi (OECD, Paris)	
15.15-15.30	COFFEE BREAK	
15.30-17.00	BREAK OUT SESSION Discussion on the hypothetical case Moderated by the speakers	
19.00-21.00	DINNER	

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Thursday, 16 June 2022		
9.30-10.30	WHEN INTERIM MEASURES ARE APPROPRIATE The need for swift intervention (regulated markets?) Mr Valentīns Hitrovs (Competition Council, Latvia)	
10.30-10.45	COFFEE BREAK	
10.45-12.00	LESSONS LEARNED ON INTERIM MEASURES Issues and solutions Mr Matteo Giangaspero and Mr Renato Ferrandi (OECD, Paris)	
12.00-13.00	CLOSING SESSION	
13.00-14.00	LUNCH	

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