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5. Competition

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OJ of the EU, L 338/1 of 19 December 2017

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Case C-179/16: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Grand Chamber) of 23 January 2018 - F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd, Roche SpA, Novartis AG, and Novartis Farma SpA v Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato, Associazione Italiana delle Unità Dedicate Autonome Private di Day Surgery e dei Centri di Chirurgia Ambulatoriale (Aiudapds), Società Oftalmologica Italiana (SOI) — Associazione Medici Oculisti Italiani (AMOI), Regione Emilia-Romagna, Altroconsumo, Regione Lombardia, Coordinamento delle associazioni per la tutela dell'ambiente e dei diritti degli utenti e consumatori (Codacons) and Agenzia Italiana del Farmaco (AIFA) -REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Consiglio di Stato (Council of State, Italy) -Reference for a preliminary ruling — Competition — Article 101 TFEU — Agreements, decisions and concerted practices — Medicinal products — Directive 2001/83/EC — Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 — Allegations of risks associated with the use of a medicinal product for a treatment not covered by its marketing authorisation (offlabel) — Definition of relevant market — Ancillary restriction — Restriction of competition by object — Exemption

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Case C-633/16: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL WAHL of 18 January 2018 - Ernst & Young P/S v Konkurrencerådet - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sø- og Handelsretten (Maritime and Commercial Court, Denmark) - Competition — Control of concentrations between undertakings — Article 7(1) of Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 — Duty to suspend the implementation of a concentration until it has been declared compatible with the common market — Termination of a cooperation agreement by one of the merging undertakings

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Case C-529/16: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (First Chamber) of 20 December 2017 - Hamamatsu Photonics Deutschland GmbH v Hauptzollamt München - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Finanzgericht München (Finance Court, Munich, Germany) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Common Customs Tariff — Customs Code — Article 29 — Determination of the customs value — Cross-border transactions between related companies — Advance transfer pricing arrangement — Agreed transfer price composed of an amount initially invoiced and a flat-rate adjustment made after the end of the accounting period

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7. Economic and Monetary Affairs, Taxation, Enterprise

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COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2017/2381 of 5 December 2017 on the **signing**, on behalf of the Union, of the **Agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway on administrative cooperation**, **combating fraud and recovery of claims in the field of value added tax** OJ of the EU, L 340/4 of 20 December 2017

Community Legislation

COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2018/72 of 4 October 2017 **supplementing** Regulation (EU) 2015/751 of the European Parliament and of the Council on **interchange fees for card-based payment** transactions with regard to regulatory technical standards establishing the requirements to be complied with by payment card schemes and processing entities to ensure the application of independence requirements in terms of accounting, organisation and decision-making process (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 13/2 of 18 January 2018

COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2018/63 of 26 September 2017 **amending** Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/571 supplementing Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards on the authorisation, organisational requirements and the publication of transactions for data reporting services providers (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 12/2 of 17 January 2018 **COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2018/64** of 29 September 2017 **supplementing** Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council with **regard to specifying how the criteria** of Article 20(1)(c)(iii) are to be applied for **assessing whether certain events would result in significant and adverse impacts on market integrity, financial stability, consumers, the real economy or the financing of households and businesses in one or more Member States (Text with EEA relevance)**

OJ of the EU, L 12/5 of 17 January 2018

COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) 2018/65 of 29 September 2017 **supplementing** Regulation (EU) 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council **specifying technical elements of the definitions** laid down in paragraph 1 of Article 3 of the Regulation (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 12/9 of 17 January 2018

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-462/16 of 20 December 2017

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9. Employment and Social Affairs

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CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-677/16 of 20 December 2017

10. Energy and Environment

Community Legislation

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2017/2400 of 12 December 2017 **implementing** Regulation (EC) No 595/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the **determination of the CO² emissions and fuel consumption of heavy-duty vehicles** and amending Directive 2007/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Regulation (EU) No 582/2011 (Text with EEA relevance) <u>OJ of the EU, L 349/1 of 29 December 2017</u>

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Case C-528/16: OPINION OF ADVOCATE GENERAL BOBEK of 18 January 2018 - Confédération paysanne, Réseau Semences Paysannes, Les Amis de la Terre France, Collectif vigilance OGM et Pesticides 16, Vigilance OG2M, CSFV 49, OGM dangers, Vigilance OGM 33 and Fédération Nature & Progrès v Premier ministre and Ministre de l'agriculture, de l'agroalimentaire et de la forêt - Request for a preliminary ruling from the Conseil d'État (Council of State, France) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Environment — Agriculture — Directives 2001/18/EC and 2002/53/EC — Interpretation and assessment of validity — Notion of 'genetically modified organism' — Common catalogue of varieties of agricultural plant species — New techniques of mutagenesis implementing genetic engineering processes — Random and directed mutagenesis — Scope of the exemption — Degree of harmonisation — Precautionary principle

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Case C-226/16: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Fifth Chamber) of 20 December 2017 - Eni SpA, Eni Gas & Power France SA and Union professionnelle des industries privées du gaz (Uprigaz) v Premier ministre, Ministre de l'environnement, de l'énergie et de la mer, Storengy and Total Infrastructures Gaz France (TIGF) - Request for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Conseil d'État (Council of State, France) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Energy — Gas industry — Security of gas supply — Regulation (EU) No 994/2010 — Obligation of natural gas undertakings to take measures to safeguard the supply of gas to protected customers — Point 1 of the second paragraph of Article 2 — Definition of 'protected customers' — Article 8(2) — Additional obligation — Article 8(5) — Possibility for natural gas undertakings of fulfilling their obligation at regional level or at Union level — National legislation imposing on gas suppliers an additional gas storage obligation, the scope of which includes customers who are not protected customers within the meaning of Regulation No 994/2010 — Obligation to be fulfilled, as regards 80% of the gas stored, on the territory of the Member State concerned CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-226/16 of 20 December 2017

11. Food Safety, Public Health and Consumers

Community Legislation

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2018/79 of 18 January 2018 amending Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 on plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 14/31 of 19 January 2018

COMMISSION REGULATION (EU) 2018/78 of 16 January 2018 **amending** Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards **maximum residue levels for 2-phenylphenol**, **bensulfuron-methyl**, **dimethachlor and lufenuron in or on certain products** (Text with EEA relevance) OJ of the EU, L 14/6 of 19 January 2018

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Affaire C-498/16: ARRÊT DE LA COUR (troisième chambre) du 25 janvier 2018 - Maximilian Schrems contre Facebook Ireland Limited - ayant pour objet une demande de décision préjudicielle au titre de l'article 267 TFUE, introduite par l'Oberster Gerichtshof (Cour suprême, Autriche) - Renvoi préjudiciel – Espace de liberté, de sécurité et de justice – Règlement (CE) no 44/2001 – Articles 15 et 16 – Compétence judiciaire en matière de contrats conclus par les consommateurs – Notion de "consommateur" – Cession entre consommateurs de droits à faire valoir à l'encontre d'un même professionnel

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12. Human Rights

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-255/16 of 20 December 2017

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-393/16 of 20 December 2017

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OJ of the EU, L 337/28 of 19 December 2017

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Affaire C-360/16: ARRÊT DE LA COUR (troisième chambre) du 25 janvier 2018 - Bundesrepublik Deutschland contre Aziz Hasan - ayant pour objet une demande de décision préjudicielle au titre de l'article 267 TFUE, introduite par le Bundesverwaltungsgericht (Cour administrative fédérale, Allemagne) - Renvoi préjudiciel – Règlement (UE) n° 604/2013 – Détermination de l'État membre responsable de l'examen d'une demande de protection internationale présentée dans l'un des États membres par un ressortissant d'un pays tiers – Modalités et délais prévus pour la formulation d'une requête aux fins de reprise en charge – Retour illégal d'un ressortissant de pays tiers dans un État membre ayant opéré un transfert – Article 24 – Procédure de reprise en charge – Article 27 – Voie de recours – Étendue du contrôle juridictionnel – Circonstances postérieures au transfert

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CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-367/16 of 23 January 2018

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CURIA – Opinion of Advocate General in Case C-626/16 of 11 January 2018

Affaire C-571/17 PPU: ARRÊT DE LA COUR (cinquième chambre) du 22 décembre 2017 - Samet Ardic - ayant pour objet une demande de décision préjudicielle au titre de l'article 267 TFUE, introduite par le Rechtbank Amsterdam (tribunal d'Amsterdam, Pays-Bas) - Renvoi préjudiciel – Procédure préjudicielle d'urgence – Coopération policière et judiciaire en matière pénale – Mandat d'arrêt européen – Décision-cadre 2002/584/JAI – Procédures de remise entre États membres – Conditions d'exécution – Motifs de non-exécution facultative – Article 4 bis, paragraphe 1, issu de la décision-cadre 2009/299/JAI – Mandat délivré aux fins de l'exécution d'une peine privative de liberté – Notion de "procès qui a mené à la décision" – Portée – Personne ayant été définitivement condamnée à une peine privative de liberté à l'issue d'une procédure qui s'est déroulée en sa présence – Peine à l'exécution de laquelle il a ultérieurement été sursis pour partie et sous certaines conditions – Procédure subséquente ayant abouti à la révocation du sursis en raison du non-respect de ces conditions – Procédure de révocation s'étant déroulée en l'absence de l'intéressé CURIA – Arrêt de la Cour de Justice dans l'affaire C-571/17 du 22 décembre 2017

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Case C-276/16: JUDGMENT OF THE COURT (Seventh Chamber) of 20 December 2017 - Prequ' Italia Srl v Agenzia delle Dogane e dei Monopoli - REQUEST for a preliminary ruling under Article 267 TFEU from the Corte suprema di cassazione (Court of Cassation, Italy) - Reference for a preliminary ruling — Principle of protection of the rights of the defence — Right to be heard — Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 — Community Customs Code — Article 244 — Recovery of a customs debt — Lack of prior hearing of the addressee before the adoption of an amended tax assessment — Right of the addressee to obtain suspension of the implementation of the amended tax assessment — Lack of automatic suspension in the event of the bringing of administrative proceedings — Reference to the conditions provided for in Article 244 of the Customs Code CURIA – Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-276/16 of 20 December 2017

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