

European Competition Law

Program of the course:

- 1) *Introduction into the European Competition Law*
 - Basic legal terms used in Competition Law (Focus on English terminology)
 - Available sources for studying the EU Competition Law; Ways how to find the information
 - Explanation of requirements and conditions for the successful termination of the course
- 2) *The Internal Market within the EU and Competition Policy*
 - Principles of EU Competition Law and its functions
 - EU and National Competition Authorities as main actors in EU Competition Law
 - The role of EU Courts
- 3) *Article 101 of the Treaty on Functioning of the EU*
 - Collusion between undertakings (agreements, decisions, concerted practices)
 - Effect on trade between Member States
- 4) *Analysis of Article 101 Treaty on Functioning of the EU*
 - Nullity of restrictive agreements
 - Exemption of restrictive agreements under Art. 101(3) of the Treaty on Functioning of the EU
- 5) *Article 102 of the Treaty on Functioning of the EU*
 - Market definition
 - Definition of a dominant position
 - Collective dominant position
- 6) *Article 102 of the Treaty on Functioning of the EU*
 - Abusive practices: anti-competitive and abusive exploitation of a dominant position
 - Examples of abusive practices
- 7) *Enforcement of Competition rules listed in Articles 101 and 102 Treaty on Functioning of the EU*
 - Regulation No. 1/2003: Modernization and decentralization of EU Competition Law
- 8) *Control of mergers (concentrations)*
 - What is a merger?
 - Scheme of Regulation No. 139/2004 (EU Merger Regulation)
- 9) *Basic practical problems of mergers*
 - Procedure
- 10) *Extraterritoriality, international aspects and globalization*
- 11) *Repetition*

Literature:

Goyder D.G., Goyder J., Albers-Lorens A.: EU Competition Law, fifth edition, Oxford University Press, Oxford 2009
Korah V.: An Introductory Guide to EC Competition Law and Practice – ninth edition. Hart Publishing, Oxford and Portland, Oregon, 2007
Lane R.: EC Competition Law Pearson Education Limited, 2006
Craig P., de Búrca G.: EU Law, Text, Cases and Materials, 4th edition, Oxford 2008
Jones A., Sufrin B.: EU Competition Law: Text, Cases and Materials, 6th edition, Oxford University Press, Oxford 2016
Weatherill S, Beaumont P.: EU Law. Penguin Books, London 1999

Treaty on European Union (O.J. C 202 from 7 June 2016)

Treaty on Functioning of the European Union (O.J. C 202 from 7 June 2016)

Compilation of Antitrust legislation: https://ec.europa.eu/competition-policy/antitrust/legislation_en
https://ec.europa.eu/competition-policy/antitrust/legislation/compilations-legislation_en

Internet sites:

www.europa.eu

official internet site of the European Union

www.antimon.gov.sk

official internet site of the Slovak Antimonopoly Office

Assessment criteria:

- Attendance of the courses
- Active participation during the courses
- Innovative method of solving the submitted tasks

- Preparation for the lessons

Exam

- oral exam, the students will be asked a problem from the discussed issues, emphasis is put on practical approach

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