



## Syllabus of Module

# 5. Competition Economics

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### Module Annotation

On the one hand, free economic competition and on the other, consumer protection and stable and efficient functioning of the market, are two opposites that legal regulations for the protection of economic competition try to balance. Its goal is to define a manipulation space in which competitors can freely do business. At the same time, however, it sets barriers for them to protect consumers and other competitors appearing on the market from conduct that would deviate from the space thus established and that could lead to the creation of an unhealthy competitive market and, ultimately, to the total liquidation of economic competition. Another, but no less important, goal of this legal regulation is the protection of the common market and the free movement of goods and services within the European Union.

### Module Objective

The module aims to outline the principles of the protection of economic competition and to define its basic terms. As part of the course, the students should familiarize themselves not only with the national and EU legislation on the protection of economic competition, but also with important judgments of the judicial authorities of the European Union, the European Commission and, where appropriate, the Office for the Protection of Economic Competition, and thus become familiar with how application of legal standards in the field of economic competition.

## Literature

1. One or more of the following EU court rulings on general issues and illegal agreements: 40/73 Suiker Unie, T-9/89 Hüls, T-41/96 Bayer (Adalat), T-102/96 Gencor Lonrho, C-49/92 P ANIC, T-112/99 M6 (TPS), C-306/96 Javico, spojené případy C-215/96 a C-216/96 Bagnasco, T-62/98 Volkswagen, T-65/98 VandenBergh Foods, C-7/95 P John Deere, T-185/00 Métropole Télévision;
2. One or more of the following EU court rulings on abuse of dominance: 6/72 Continental Can, 85/76 Hofmann La Roche, 27/76 United Brands, 322/81 Michelin, T-228/97 Irish Sugar, T-342/99 Airtours, T-83/91 TetraPak II, C-62/86 AKZO, C-395/96 P a C-396/96 P Compagnie Maritime Belge, T-203/01 Michelin II, T-201/04 Microsoft;
3. KINDL, Jiří. Soutěžní právo. 3. vydání. *Beckovy mezioborové učebnice*. V Praze: C.H. Beck, 2021. ISBN 978-80-7400-806-1.
4. Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2003 of 16 December 2002 on the implementation of the rules on competition laid down in Articles 81 and 82 of the Treaty; Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 of 20 January 2004 on the control of concentrations between undertakings;
5. Council Regulation (EU) No 139/2004 of 20 January 2004 on Merger control;
6. Commission Regulation (EU) No 651/2014 of 17 June 2014 declaring certain categories of aid compatible with the internal market in accordance with Articles 107 and 108 of the Treaty (General Block Exemption Regulation);
7. Council Regulation (EU) 2015/1589 of 13 July 2015 laying down detailed rules for the application of Article 108 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (codified version);
8. Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Articles 101 to 109;
9. Directive 2014/104/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 November 2014 on certain rules governing actions for damages under national law for breach of the competition laws of the Member States and of the European Union;
10. Act No. 143/2001 Coll., on Protection of Competition, as amended;
11. Act No. 89/2012 Coll., Civil Code, §§ 2972-2990.