



# MEMORANDUM FOR COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF COMPETITION POLICY BETWEEN THE HUNGARIAN COMPETITION AUTHORITY AND THE TURKISH COMPETITION AUTHORITY

The Hungarian Competition Authority and the Turkish Competition Authority (hereinafter referred to as "the Participants"),

Expressing the wish to promote cooperation in the field of competition policy and competition law enforcement of the States of the Participants,

Aiming at the creation of favorable conditions for the development of bilateral relations.

Based on principles of equality and mutual benefit,

Underlining the role of competition in the effective development of market economy,

Recognizing the importance of an effective international cooperation on competition law enforcement regarding anticompetitive practices of cross-border nature.

HAVE DECIDED as follows:

#### **PARAGRAPH I**

The Participants will promote and strengthen cooperation in competition law enforcement of the States of the Participants and competition policy in line with this Memorandum.

#### PARAGRAPH II

In line with the mutual interest of the Participants, cooperation will be realized in the following basic directions subject to reasonably available resources:

- a) exchange of information on legislative developments;
- b) exchange of experience in the field of investigations, regarding the violation of competition rules of the States of the Participants;
- c) exchange of experience regarding the relations between competition authorities and national regulatory agencies.



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# **PARAGRAPH III**

The main forms of interaction between the Participants may be as follows:

- a) exchange of non-confidential information on legislative developments and cases;
- b) organizing study visits and experts training;
- c) attendance at international conferences, symposiums, seminars and other events organized by the Participants;
- d) expert meetings or consultation via e-mail between experts of the Participants regarding exchange of non-confidential information on specific issues of mutual interest;
- e) organization of high level-meetings/visits for discussing the perspectives and directions in which the bilateral cooperation will continue;
- f) exchange of non-confidential documents, studies, books etc., which have been published by the Participants;
- g) seeking active cooperation opportunities / supporting each other's international cooperation initiatives regarding cross-border anti-competitive conducts especially due to digital transformation.

### **PARAGRAPH IV**

Participants agree that it is in their common interest to work together on technical assistance initiatives related to competition law enforcement. These initiatives may include such forms of technical cooperation as the Participants decide are appropriate for the purpose of this agreement. Participants' acknowledge that these initiatives are subject to the Participants' reasonably available resources.

# **PARAGRAPH V**

The transfer of information will be made in English by post/e-mail through designated general contact points or on the occasion of Participants' representatives' meetings.

## **PARAGRAPH VI**

The agenda, place and other elements of activities, including financial aspects, will be individually established by Participants by mutual agreement.

#### **PARAGRAPH VII**

Any dispute concerning the application or interpretation of this Memorandum will be settled amicably through consultations and negotiations between Participants.

#### **PARAGRAPH VIII**

This Memorandum is signed with a view to enhance the cooperation between the Participants and does not constitute an international agreement binding upon the States of the Participants under international law. No provision of this Memorandum shall be interpreted as creating legal rights or obligations.

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#### PARAGRAPH IX

The present Memorandum will be jointly revised by the Participants following prior consultations.

## **PARAGRAPH X**

The present Memorandum is concluded for an unlimited period of time and will become effective on the date of its signing.

## **PARAGRAPH XI**

The Memorandum can be terminated by either Participant by submitting a written notification to the other Participant. The coordination within this Memorandum will be facilitated by the Presidential Cabinet (international@gvh.hu), representing the Hungarian Competition Authority and the Department of External Relations and Competition Advocacy (international@rekabet.gov.tr), representing the Turkish Competition Authority.

The Memorandum will expire after three months from the date of receipt of the written notification.

## **PARAGRAPH XII**

Signed in Budapest on 2.6 of April 2024, in 2 (two) original copies in Hungarian, Turkish and English versions, all texts being equally authentic. The English text will prevail in case of divergence of interpretation of the Memorandum.

For the Hungarian Competition Authority

For the Turkish Competition
Authority

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