



The GVH analyses the characteristics of the motor vehicle sector

On 1 December 2014 the Hungarian Competition Authority (Gazdasági Versenyhivatal, GVH) initiated a market analysis aimed at investigating the characteristics of the car and LCV distribution and repair markets in Hungary.

A wide range of market operators and customers are affected by the developments and characteristics of the motor vehicle sector, thus getting to know these is of high importance to the GVH. In the course of the market analysis the GVH wishes to analyse the specific design of the networks related to the sale and repair of cars and LCVs, the changes affecting these networks and also the inter- and intra-brand competition. During the market analysis the GVH will pay particular attention to examining the frames of and possible restraints to competition regarding the repair of cars, such as the question of access to warranty repair and spare parts, and also to analysing the market condition of independent repairers.

In the course of the market analysis the GVH plans to contact the major car importers in Hungary (general agencies), the undertakings which sell and repair cars (retailers, repairers) and their representative bodies, and the authorities and other public entities which have information about the market relations. Furthermore, a market research is also expected to be conducted.

The market analysis is a fundamentally different tool from the administrative proceedings of the GVH, in the course of which using mainly publicly available information and information voluntarily provided by the concerned parties the GVH surveys and analyses the functioning of the investigated market, the market trends, and how these affect competition, business partners and especially consumers.

The outcome of the market analysis, the uncovered facts and statements will be compiled in a market analysis study and published on the website of the GVH.

The GVH expects to receive the observations of the concerned parties at the following e-mail address: piacelemzes-gepjarmu@gvh.hu. The communication about the initiation of the market analysis, which also contains the planned schedule of the analysis can be found [on the website of the GVH](#) (in Hungarian)

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