

Visegrad 4 Competition Conference

Rapid Crises... Rapid Responses...

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Summary

- Practical issues and problems
- Flexibility of competition rules and enforcers
- Crises and sanctioning policy
- Role of competition authority during crisis

Practical issues and problems

- Home offices
- Access to file
- Meetings online
- Dawn raids

Flexibility of competition rules and enforcers

- Enough flexibility of basic competition rules – more lenient approach
- Comfort letters
- Complaints during Covid 19
- Consultations regarding regulation – government other state bodies or associations

Crisis and sanctioning policy

- Strict approach to infringements regarding scarce goods and services
- Possible reason to deviate from guidelines
- Liquidating character of fines due to crisis effect – careful assessment

Role of competition authority during crisis

- Communication and cooperation
- Use available tools
- Temporary measures
- NCA is not a regulator



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