

A new member was appointed by the President of the Republic to the decision-making body of the GVH

On 1 September 2012 János Áder, President of the Republic, appointed Dr Izabella Szoboszlai as a new member of the Competition Council of the Gazdasági Versenyhivatal (GVH – Hungarian Competition Authority). The appointment is for a period of six years.

The Competition Council is a separate and independent decision-making body within the GVH, but its decisions are subject to judicial review. Therefore, a decision on the substance of a case may only be made by the Competition Council proceeding in the case. If the parties challenge the decision in court, the Competition Council is also allowed to represent the decision of the GVH with the assistance of the legal experts of the GVH. The Competition Council is also responsible for reviewing the orders of the case handlers within the course of the procedure.

The Chair of the Competition Council - who is also endowed with the responsibilities of one of the Vice Presidents of the GVH - organises and supervises the activities of the Competition Council, while in competition supervision procedures, the decisions are concluded by the Competition Council in a panel of three or five members.

The Members of the Competition Council also participate in the competition advocacy tasks of the GVH and contribute to the efforts to disseminate competition culture in Hungary.

Izabella Szoboszlai graduated from the Faculty of Economics at Corvinus University of Budapest in 1997. After graduating from university, she began working for the GVH in September 1998 in the Competition Policy Section. Over the last 14 years she has been working for several sections of the GVH in several positions, while also graduating from the Faculty of Law at Eötvös Loránd University. From 2011 until the date of her appointment, she was charged with the responsibility of leading the newly-emerged Costumer Service Section of the GVH. She speaks fluent English and Polish.

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