

Course syllabus
(European and Comparative Competition Law)

Title of course in Hungarian: Európai és összehasonlító versenyjog

Language of instruction: English

Department: ICT Law

Type of course: obligatory/elective

Level of programme: MA (LLM)

Number of lessons per week: 2 hours/week

Semester: I.

Credit point value:

Code of course:

Prior course(s) required:

Course supervisor: András Tóth PhD., associate professor, head of department

Lecturer(s): András Tóth PhD., associate professor, head of department

Course description, purpose of the course:

The main goal of the course is covering both the theories and practice of competition law especially regarding the EU competition law. The course will give economic background and policies upon which the competition rules are grounded, show the historical development of the doctrinal rules, compare the main (EU and US) competition regimes and teaching the students EU case analysis and how to apply the EU competition rules to new fact patterns.

Course outline, description of acquired knowledge, skills and competences:

1. Introduction (1): economic backgrounds, history of regulation of competition law, global competition law
2. Introduction (2): comparison the regulatory system of US and EU competition law
3. Subject scope of the EU competition law: meaning of undertaking
4. Article 101 TFEU (1): agreement, concerted practices, decision of association of undertakings
5. Article 101 TFEU (2): by object/by effect infringement
6. Vertical agreements
7. Fighting against cartels: tools and due process
8. Article 102 TFEU (1): market definition and dominant position, abusive conducts
9. Article 102 TFEU (2): abuse conducts
10. Merger control
11. EU competition law aspects of state actions
12. Exam

Interim course requirement(s):

attendance: Students cannot absent more than three lessons otherwise the course won't be absolved.

preparation for the lessons: questions and the cases and/or materials (based on them the questions can be answered) for the next lesson will be distributed at the end of the last lesson. Students who are prepared on answering questions during the lessons can earn scores (one each lessons). Who earns at least 7 scores during the semester will be exempted from the final exam and the course will be absolved automatically.

Type of evaluation: exam evaluation/course performance evaluation

Method of evaluation: written/oral exam

Obligatory course materials: cases and materials will be distributed during the course

Recommended additional sources:

Einer Elhauge - Damien Geradin: Global Competition Law and Economics. Hart Publishing; 2 edition (August 1, 2011)