

Competition and regulation

How do competition rules influence individual firms market opportunities? Can one plan for a merger or acquisition or would it lead to a dominant position in a market and be prevented by the Competition Authority? In what way can performance in regulated markets be improved? These are the kind of issues with which corporates and policymakers are regularly confronted. Economic analysis and state-of-the-art knowledge of competition rules and competition policies are required to address them.

Expertise

Our analytical skills cover the full range of services from sectoral market analysis, pricing policy studies to competition analysis and anti-trust analysis of merger proposals. Our knowledge base offers in-depth understanding of European Union and member state regulatory regimes. We provide state-of-the-art understanding of the most recent economic and legal developments in regulatory policy.

Areas of work

- Antitrust evaluation of mergers
- Abuse of dominant position
- Cartels and collusion
- Vertical restraints
- Assessment of competitiveness of markets
- Market performance analyses
- Economic regulation analyses
- Regulatory policy support

Experience

- Economic effectiveness of the Dutch Competition Act
- Structure of market for gasoline in the Netherlands with specific attention to price behaviour
- Advice to private firms in retail, telecommunications, media markets

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