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SOME CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE EU COMPETITION POLICY AND THE PROPER FUNCTIONING OF THE EU INTERNAL MARKET FROM THE PERSPECTIV OF EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

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Abstract

A strong and well implemented competition policy is essential for a better functioning EU internal market, especially in the actual context of the prolonged economic crisis and instability.

The major objective of the EU Competition Policy in the actual context is to contribute by proper means for the best of the performance of the EU economy on global markets and to preserve competition on the EU internal market without excessively limiting the competition possibilities of undertakings established in the EU. The EU policy on internal market aims to an open internal market with undistorted competition, where undertakings can enhance their competitiveness throughout the EU.

In what regards this latter aspect, from the perspective of the major goals of the EU 2020 Strategy, the economic growth of the EU should be an inclusive growth, where the benefits of economic growth should be equitable distributed between the different Member States of the EU. Coping with the economic crisis, boosting the competitiveness of undertakings and contributing to the realization of the major objectives of the EU internal market policy is a challenge for most of the Eastern European countries.

The article at hand analyses the interferences between the EU internal market and competition policy in the actual economic context, with references to the way in which Eastern European countries and especially Romania understand to contribute to the realization of the objectives of these two European policies.

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