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II

(Information)

## INFORMATION FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

#### **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

Non-opposition to a notified concentration (Case M.10340 — Goldman Sachs/Adapteo)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 352/01)

On 29 July 2021, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ( $^1$ ). The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- in the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/).
   This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html?locale=en) under document number 32021M10340. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

#### Non-opposition to a notified concentration

#### (Case M.10296 — EPCG/ECMI/EROSKI S.Coop/Supratuc2020)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 352/02)

On 13 August 2021, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (¹). The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- in the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/).
   This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html?locale=en) under document number 32021M10296. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

#### Non-opposition to a notified concentration

(Case M.10402 — Blackstone/GTCR/Campaign Parent)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 352/03)

On 27 August 2021, the Commission decided not to oppose the above notified concentration and to declare it compatible with the internal market. This decision is based on Article 6(1)(b) of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (¹). The full text of the decision is available only in English and will be made public after it is cleared of any business secrets it may contain. It will be available:

- in the merger section of the Competition website of the Commission (http://ec.europa.eu/competition/mergers/cases/).
   This website provides various facilities to help locate individual merger decisions, including company, case number, date and sectoral indexes,
- in electronic form on the EUR-Lex website (http://eur-lex.europa.eu/homepage.html?locale=en) under document number 32021M10402. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

#### Withdrawal of notification of a concentration

(Case M.10407 - AIP/Alvance Dunkerque Target Business)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 352/04)

On 26 July 2021, the European Commission received notification ( $^1$ ) of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 ( $^2$ ) ('Merger Regulation').

On 27 August 2021, the notifying party informed the Commission that it withdrew its notification.

<sup>(</sup>¹) OJ C 333, 19.8.2021, p. 3. (²) OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

#### IV

(Notices)

# NOTICES FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

#### **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

# Interest rate applied by the European Central Bank to its main refinancing operations $(^1)$ : 0,00 % on 1 September 2021

Euro exchange rates (2)

#### 1 September 2021

(2021/C 352/05)

1 euro =

	Currency	Exchange rate		Currency	Exchange rate
USD	US dollar	1,1817	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,4879
JPY	Japanese yen	130,35	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	9,1907
DKK	Danish krone	7,4361	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,6776
GBP	Pound sterling	0,85863	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,5916
SEK	Swedish krona	10,1961	KRW	South Korean won	1 369,25
CHF	Swiss franc	1,0845	ZAR	South African rand	17,0532
ISK	Iceland króna	149,00	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	7,6421
NOK			HRK	Croatian kuna	7,4900
	Norwegian krone	10,2633	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	16 872,69
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,9085
CZK	Czech koruna	25,406	PHP	Philippine peso	59,163
HUF	Hungarian forint	348,03	RUB	Russian rouble	86,3373
PLN	Polish zloty	4,5078	THB	Thai baht	38,204
RON	Romanian leu	4,9346	BRL	Brazilian real	6,0886
TRY	Turkish lira	9,7985	MXN	Mexican peso	23,6484
AUD	Australian dollar	1,6088	INR	Indian rupee	86,3480

<sup>(</sup>¹) Rate applied to the most recent operation carried out before the indicated day. In the case of a variable rate tender, the interest rate is the marginal rate.

<sup>(2)</sup> Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

#### NOTICES CONCERNING THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA

#### EFTA SURVEILLANCE AUTHORITY

#### State aid – Decision to raise no objections

(2021/C 352/06)

The EFTA Surveillance Authority raises no objections to the following state aid measure:

Date of adoption of the decision	26 May 2021		
Case No	86853		
Decision No	070/21/COL		
EFTA State	Norway		
Title	COVID-19 Reinsurance scheme for package travel guarantees		
Legal basis	Parliamentary Decision authorising the main conditions of the measure		
Type of measure	Scheme		
Objective	Providing access to (affordable) package travel guarantees for package travel organisers		
Form of aid	Guarantees		
Budget	NOK 525 million		
Intensity	The scheme covers 50 % of the losses that can be incurred by insurers under guarantees provided to package travel organisers.		
Duration	26.5.2021 – 31.12.2021		
Economic sectors	Package travel sector (potential indirect aid to banks and insurar companies providing package travel guarantees)		
Name and address of the granting authority	Garantiinstituttet for eksportkreditt - GIEK Postboks 1763 Vika N-0122 Oslo NORWAY		

The authentic text of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found on the EFTA Surveillance Authority's website:  $\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{N} \frac$ 

#### State aid – Decision to raise no objections

(2021/C 352/07)

The EFTA Surveillance Authority raises no objections to the following state aid measure:

Date of adoption of the decision	21 May 2021			
Case No	86850			
Decision No	057/21/COL			
EFTA State	Norway			
Title	COVID-19 renewal and amendments to the aid scheme for undertakings suffering a substantial loss of turnover			
Legal basis	Act on the temporary subsidy scheme for enterprises with a significant reduction in turnover after August 2020			
Type of measure	Scheme			
Objective	Compensate losses and thereby limit the damage caused by the COVID-19 pandemic			
Form of aid	Grants			
Budget	Estimated NOK 4 billion			
Intensity	70-90 %			
Duration	Until 31 October 2021			
Economic sectors	All sectors except for companies engaged in petroleum extraction and production, companies engaged in production, transmission, distribution and trade of electric power, financial institutions and companies whose main purpose is investment activities			
Name and address of the granting authority	The Brønnøysund Register Centre Brønnøysundregistrene Postboks 900 N-8910 Brønnøysund NORWAY			

The authentic text of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found on the EFTA Surveillance Authority's website: http://www.eftasurv.int/state-aid/state-aid-register/decisions/

#### State aid – Decision to raise no objections

(2021/C 352/08)

The EFTA Surveillance Authority raises no objections to the following state aid measure:

Date of adoption of the decision	26 May 2021			
Case No	86855			
Decision No	071/21/COL			
EFTA State	Norway			
Title (and/or name of the beneficiary)	COVID-19 scheme for cancelled and downscaled cultural events			
Legal basis	Regulation on a temporary compensation scheme for cancelled, closed or downscaled cultural events in the period 1 January to 30 June 2021 as a consequence of the COVID-19 outbreak			
Type of measure	Scheme			
Objective	To remedy the shortage of liquidity that organisers and subcontractors to cultural events face following the COVID-19 outbreak			
Form of aid	Direct grant			
Budget	NOK 141 million			
Intensity	For eligible organisers, a grant of up to 95 % of unavoidable costs related to cancelled, closed or downscaled eligible events in the period 1 January to 30 June 2021.  For eligible subcontractors, a grant of up to 50 % of loss of income and additional costs related to cancelled, closed or downscaled eligible events in the period 1 January to 30 June 2021.			
Duration	26 May – 31 December 2021			
Economic sectors	Cultural sector			
Name and address of the granting authority	Arts Council Norway P.O. Box 4808 Nydalen N-0422 Oslo NORWAY			

The authentic text of the decision, from which all confidential information has been removed, can be found on the EFTA Surveillance Authority's website:  $\frac{1}{N} \frac{1}{N} = \frac{1}{N} \frac$ 

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(Announcements)

## PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION POLICY

#### **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

Prior notification of a concentration (Case M.10386 – BC Partners/Valtech) Candidate case for simplified procedure

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2021/C 352/09)

1. On 26 August 2021, the Commission received notification of a proposed concentration pursuant to Article 4 of Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (1).

This notification concerns the following undertakings:

- BC Partners LLP ('BC Partners', United Kingdom),
- Valtech SE ('Valtech', Luxembourg).

BC Partners acquires within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control of the whole of Valtech. The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

- 2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:
- for BC Partners: international investment firm providing advisory services to financial investors,
- for Valtech: global business transformation agency providing strategy consulting, service design, technology services and optimisation of digital platforms for multichannel commerce and marketing.
- 3. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified transaction could fall within the scope of the Merger Regulation. However, the final decision on this point is reserved.

Pursuant to the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain concentrations under the Council Regulation (EC) No 139/2004 (²) it should be noted that this case is a candidate for treatment under the procedure set out in the Notice.

4. The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed operation to the Commission.

Observations must reach the Commission not later than 10 days following the date of this publication. The following reference should always be specified:

M.10386 - BC Partners/Valtech

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

Observations can be sent to the Commission by email, by fax, or by post. Please use the contact details below:

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