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AND AGENCIES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Non-opposition to a notified concentration**(Case M.9079 — Advent International Corporation/KN Group)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2018/C 384/01)

On 15 October 2018, 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 32018M9079. EUR-Lex is the online access to European law.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1.

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(Notices)

NOTICES FROM EUROPEAN UNION INSTITUTIONS, BODIES, OFFICES AND AGENCIES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Euro exchange rates ⁽¹⁾

23 October 2018

(2018/C 384/02)

1 euro =

Currency	Exchange rate	Currency	Exchange rate		
USD	US dollar	1,1478	CAD	Canadian dollar	1,5047
JPY	Japanese yen	128,76	HKD	Hong Kong dollar	8,9990
DKK	Danish krone	7,4603	NZD	New Zealand dollar	1,7514
GBP	Pound sterling	0,88103	SGD	Singapore dollar	1,5822
SEK	Swedish krona	10,3606	KRW	South Korean won	1 305,81
CHF	Swiss franc	1,1424	ZAR	South African rand	16,4759
ISK	Iceland króna	136,30	CNY	Chinese yuan renminbi	7,9613
NOK	Norwegian krone	9,5053	HRK	Croatian kuna	7,4275
BGN	Bulgarian lev	1,9558	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	17 435,02
CZK	Czech koruna	25,814	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	4,7778
HUF	Hungarian forint	322,81	PHP	Philippine peso	61,716
PLN	Polish zloty	4,2960	RUB	Russian rouble	75,0301
RON	Romanian leu	4,6670	THB	Thai baht	37,705
TRY	Turkish lira	6,6227	BRL	Brazilian real	4,2412
AUD	Australian dollar	1,6243	MXN	Mexican peso	22,2469
			INR	Indian rupee	84,4435

⁽¹⁾ Source: reference exchange rate published by the ECB.

NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Notice of the Government of Denmark pursuant to Council Directive 2009/119/EC imposing an obligation on Member States to maintain minimum stocks of crude oil and/or petroleum products

(2018/C 384/03)

In accordance with Article 9(4) of Council Directive 2009/119/EC of 14 September 2009 imposing an obligation on Member States to maintain minimum stocks of crude oil and/or petroleum products⁽¹⁾, Denmark hereby notifies its undertaking to maintain specific stocks.

1. The level of the specific stocks that Denmark undertakes to maintain is equivalent to 30 days of average daily consumption.
 2. The undertaking applies to the period from 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019.
 3. The specific stocks will be composed of the following product categories:
 - Motor gasoline,
 - Gas/diesel oil.
 4. The stocks will be owned and held by the central Danish stockholding entity, Foreningen Danske Olieberedskabslagre (FDO).
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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 265, 9.10.2009, p. 9.

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(Announcements)

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Call For Proposals 2019 — EAC/A03/2018**Erasmus+ Programme**

(2018/C 384/04)

1. Introduction and objectives

This call for proposals is based on the Regulation (EU) No 1288/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2013 establishing 'Erasmus+': the Union Programme for education, training, youth and sport and repealing Decisions No 1719/2006/EC, No 1720/2006/EC and No 1298/2008/EC ⁽¹⁾ as well as on the 2018 and 2019 Erasmus+ Annual Work Programmes. The Erasmus+ Programme covers the period 2014 to 2020. The general and specific objectives of the Erasmus+ Programme are listed in Articles 4, 5, 11 and 16 of the Regulation.

2. Actions

This call for proposals covers the following actions of the Erasmus+ Programme:

Key Action 1 (KA1) — Learning mobility of individuals

- Mobility of individuals in the field of education, training and youth
- Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees

Key Action 2 (KA2) — Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices

- Strategic partnerships in the field of education, training and youth
- European Universities
- Knowledge Alliances
- Sector Skills Alliances
- Capacity building in the field of higher education
- Capacity building in the field of youth

Key Action 3 (KA3) — Support for policy reform

- Youth Dialogue projects

Jean Monnet activities

- Jean Monnet Chairs
- Jean Monnet Modules
- Jean Monnet Centres of Excellence
- Jean Monnet Support to Associations
- Jean Monnet Networks
- Jean Monnet Projects

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 50.

Sport

- Collaborative partnerships
- Small collaborative partnerships
- Not-for-profit European sport events

3. Eligibility

Any public or private body active in the fields of education, training, youth and sport may apply for funding within the Erasmus+ Programme. In addition, groups of young people who are active in youth work, but not necessarily in the context of a youth organisation, may apply for funding for learning mobility of young people and youth workers as well as for Strategic partnerships in the field of youth.

The following Programme Countries can fully take part in all Erasmus+ Programme actions ⁽¹⁾:

- the Member States of the European Union,
- the EFTA/EEA countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway,
- EU candidate countries: Turkey, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia.

In addition, certain Erasmus+ Programme actions are open to organisations from partner countries.

Please refer to the Erasmus+ Programme Guide for further details on the modalities of participation.

For British applicants: Please be aware that eligibility criteria must be complied with for the entire duration of the grant. If the United Kingdom withdraws from the EU during the grant period without concluding an agreement with the EU ensuring in particular that British applicants continue to be eligible, you will cease to receive EU funding (while continuing, where possible, to participate) or be required to leave the project on the basis of the relevant provisions of the grant agreement on termination.

4. Budget and duration of projects

The implementation of this call for proposals is subject to the availability of the appropriations provided for in the draft budget for 2019 after the adoption of the budget for 2019 by the budgetary authority or if the budget is not adopted as provided for in the system of provisional twelfths.

The total budget earmarked for this call for proposals is estimated at EUR 2 733,4 million:

Education and Training:	EUR	2 503,4 million ⁽²⁾
Youth:	EUR	167,7 million
Jean Monnet:	EUR	13,7 million
Sport:	EUR	48,6 million

The total budget earmarked for the call for proposals as well as its repartition is indicative and may be modified subject to an amendment of the Erasmus+ Annual Work Programmes. Potential applicants are invited to regularly consult the Erasmus+ Annual Work Programmes and their amendments, published on:

https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/documents/annual-work-programmes_en

as regards the available budget for each action covered by the call.

The level of grants awarded as well as the duration of projects vary depending on factors such as the type of project and the number of partners involved.

⁽¹⁾ Jean Monnet activities are open to organisations from the whole world.

⁽²⁾ This amount includes the funds for the International dimension of Higher Education (EUR 306 million in total).

5. Deadline for the submission of applications

All deadlines for submission of applications specified below end at 12.00 (noon), Brussels time.

Key Action 1	
Mobility of individuals in the field of youth	5 February 2019
Mobility of individuals in the field of higher education	5 February 2019
Mobility of individuals in VET, school education and adult education fields	5 February 2019
Mobility of individuals in the field of youth	30 April 2019
Mobility of individuals in the field of youth	1 October 2019
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees	14 February 2019
Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degrees – Joint call EU-Japan	1 April 2019
Key Action 2	
Strategic partnerships in the field of youth	5 February 2019
Strategic partnerships in the field of education and training	21 March 2019
Strategic partnerships in the field of youth	30 April 2019
Strategic partnerships in the field of youth	1 October 2019
European Universities	28 February 2019
Knowledge Alliances	28 February 2019
Sector Skills Alliances	28 February 2019
Capacity building in the field of higher education	7 February 2019
Capacity building in the field of youth	24 January 2019
Key Action 3	
Youth Dialogue projects	5 February 2019 30 April 2019 1 October 2019
Jean Monnet actions	
Chairs, Modules, Centres of Excellence, Support to Associations, Networks, Projects	22 February 2019
Sport actions	
Collaborative partnerships	4 April 2019
Small collaborative partnerships	4 April 2019
Not-for-profit European sport events	4 April 2019

Please refer to the Erasmus+ Programme Guide for detailed instructions for the submission of applications.

6. Full details

The detailed conditions of this call for proposals, including priorities, can be found in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide at the following internet address:

<http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/programme-guide>

The Erasmus+ Programme Guide constitutes an integral part of this call for proposals and the conditions for participation and funding expressed therein apply in full to this call.

PROCEDURES RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMPETITION
POLICY

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Prior notification of a concentration

(Case M.8881 — Bergé/GEFCO/JV)

(Text with EEA relevance)

(2018/C 384/05)

1. On 16 October 2018, 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:

- Bergé Automotive Logistics, S.L. ('BAL', Spain), belonging to Bergé y Cía, S.A.,
- GEFCO España, S.A. ('GEFCO España', Spain), belonging to GEFCO, S.A. (GEFCO, France).

BAL and GEFCO España acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation joint control of a newly-created company that would integrate and manage the finished vehicle logistic businesses and assets of both companies in Spain.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- for BAL: the provision of logistics services to the automotive industry in Spain.
- for GEFCO España: the provision of logistics services to a variety of industries, including the provision of integrated logistics services to the automotive industry in Spain. GEFCO offers supply chain solutions including automotive logistics, and is ultimately controlled by the Russian state-owned rail company RZD.

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.

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.8881 — Bergé/GEFCO/JV

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

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

Prior notification of a concentration
(Case M.9049 — E.ON/Clever/UFC Scandinavia JV)
Candidate case for simplified procedure
(Text with EEA relevance)
(2018/C 384/06)

1. On 17 October 2018, 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:

- E.ON (Germany),
- Clever A/S ('Clever', Denmark), controlled by SEAS-NVE.

E.ON and Clever acquire, within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) and 3(4) of the Merger Regulation, joint control over a newly-created joint venture.

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares in a newly-created company constituting a joint venture.

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- E.ON is an energy company with activities in 3 main business areas: (i) energy networks; (ii) renewable energies; and (iii) customer solutions, including electricity and gas retail supply,
- Clever is an electric mobility service provider, active in charging solutions to companies, public institutions and end customers,
- The JV will develop and operate ultra-fast charging (UFC) stations for electric vehicles in Norway, Sweden and Denmark.

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.

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M.9049 — E.ON/Clever/UFC Scandinavia JV

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

⁽²⁾ OJ C 366, 14.12.2013, p. 5.

Prior notification of a concentration**(Case M.8832 — Knauf/Armstrong)****(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2018/C 384/07)

1. On 17 October 2018, 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:

- Knauf International GmbH (Germany),
- Armstrong World Industries, Inc. (United States).

Knauf International GmbH ('Knauf') will acquire within the meaning of Article 3(1)(b) of the Merger Regulation sole control over (i) subsidiaries of Armstrong World Industries, Inc. ('Armstrong') in Europe, the Middle East and Africa (EMEA), and Asia Pacific (APAC), and (ii) designated subsidiaries of Armstrong's joint venture with Worthington Industries with operations in EMEA and APAC (jointly 'the Target').

The concentration is accomplished by way of purchase of shares.

The concentration has been referred to the Commission by the Austrian Federal Competition Authority, pursuant to Article 22(3) of the Merger Regulation. The referral was subsequently joined by Germany, Lithuania, Spain and the United Kingdom.

The same concentration was already notified to the Commission on 20 June 2018, but the notification was subsequently withdrawn on 24 July 2018

2. The business activities of the undertakings concerned are:

- Knauf is a manufacturer of insulation materials, dry-lining systems, plasters, and other products,
- Armstrong designs and manufactures commercial and residential ceiling, wall and suspension system solutions,
- The Target is active in the manufacture and sale of modular suspended ceilings in EMEA and APAC, and consists of the ceiling business of Armstrong outside of the Americas.

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.

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.8832 — Knauf/Armstrong

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 24, 29.1.2004, p. 1 (the 'Merger Regulation').

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