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MARKET STUDIES PROJECT

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JURISDICTION:

Lithuania - Competition Council

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| Sector: | Groceries (food and drink) | | |
| Market: | Dairy products market | | |
| End Date: | December 2015 | | |
| Duration: | 12 months | | |
| Source of idea for study: | Possible market obstacles arising from dairy products market | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | <input type="checkbox"/> Competition Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Enforcement <input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business Education <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voluntary Business Compliance <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary Business Action <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law <input type="checkbox"/> Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Referral to Third Parties <input type="checkbox"/> No Problems Found | Range of Possible Outcomes | |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To analyse all four levels of dairy industry – raw milk production, purchase, processing and distribution – in order to find out reasons of inadequate price changes in dairy products supply chain and applicability of best EU practices in Lithuania. | | |
| Link to report: | http://kt.gov.lt/teise/nut/2015-12-30_1S-138.pdf (In Lithuanian) http://www.kt.gov.lt/en/index.php?show=news_view&pr_id=1703 (press release on preliminary findings in English) | | |

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| Sector: | Waste and Waste Management | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Household waste market | Range of Possible Outcomes | | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | April 2015 | Competition Enforcement | Consumer Enforcement | Consumer Education | Business Education | Voluntary Business Compliance | Voluntary Business Action | Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law | Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure | Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy | Referral to Third Parties | No Problems Found |
| Duration: | 14 months | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | High number of competition infringements (6 in 2014) and ongoing investigations (5 in 2014) in this sector | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | The sectorial inquiry was started last February in response to a high number of investigations into municipal decisions concerning waste management. The aim of the inquiry was to analyse the sector and to suggest improvements to the waste management system in Lithuania. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Link to report: | http://kt.gov.lt/teise/nut/2015-04-30_1S-47.pdf (In Lithuanian) http://www.kt.gov.lt/en/index.php?show=news_view&pr_id=1620)press-release in English) | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Sector: | Pharmaceuticals | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Parallel import of drugs | Range of Possible Outcomes | | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | September 2013 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duration: | 10 months | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | An inquiry from a pharmaceutical company regarding the calculation of price base for compensated medicine and medical aid tools and its compliance with Competition law; research by State Medicines Control Agency on access to medicines to Lithuanian population | Competition Enforcement | Consumer Enforcement | Consumer Education | Business Education | Voluntary Business Compliance | Voluntary Business Action | Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law | Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure | Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy | Referral to Third Parties | No Problems Found |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To evaluate the situation within the pharmaceutical market in Lithuania, to ascertain major reasons for small sales volume of parallel-imported drugs within the Lithuanian pharmaceutical market and suggest the ways to encourage competition within this market. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Link to report: | http://kt.gov.lt/naujienos/doc/lvi.pdf (In Lithuanian) http://www.kt.gov.lt/en/index.php?show=news_view&pr_id=1308 (press-release in English) | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Sector: | Groceries (Food And Drink) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Retail trade in Food products | | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | October 2008 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duration: | 7 months | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | The assignment of the Government | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To examine activities of major chain stores in respect of establishment of unfair supply conditions, to determine their market power. | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sector: | Groceries (Food And Drink) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Retail trade in Food products | | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | November 2007 | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duration: | 4 months | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | The assignment of the Government | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To examine the rise in prices of staple food products during the period from July 2006 up to September 2007, and to evaluate reasons as to why this occurred. | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sector: | Groceries (Food And Drink) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Retail trade in Food Products | Range of Possible Outcomes | | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | February 2007 | Competition Enforcement | Consumer Enforcement | Consumer Education | Business Education | Voluntary Business Compliance | Voluntary Business Action | Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law | Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure | Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy | Referral to Third Parties | No Problems Found |
| Duration: | 9 months | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | The assignment of the Government | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To establish market shares and position in the market of the major chain stores. | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sector: | Energy | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Wood Raw Materials used by heating supply undertakings | Range of Possible Outcomes | | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | December 2006 | Competition Enforcement | Consumer Enforcement | Consumer Education | Business Education | Voluntary Business Compliance | Voluntary Business Action | Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law | Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure | Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy | Referral to Third Parties | No Problems Found |
| Duration: | 2 months | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | The assignment of the Prime Minister and the Seimas' Economy Committee | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To examine a probable cartel agreement between suppliers of wood raw materials. | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sector: | Financial Services | | | | | | | | | | |
| Market: | Payment Cards | Range of Possible Outcomes | | | | | | | | | |
| End Date: | May 2006 | Competition Enforcement Consumer Enforcement Consumer Education Business Education Voluntary Business Compliance Voluntary Business Action Recommendations to Government for Changes in the Law Recommendations to Government to Change Market Structure Recommendations for Changes to Government Policy Referral to Third Parties No Problems Found | | | | | | | | | |
| Duration: | 4 months | | | | | | | | | | |
| Source of idea for study: | Following the experience of the European Commission and other national competition authorities | | | | | | | | | | |
| Outcome (tick relevant columns): | | | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Reason for study (what were the problems)? | To examine how and what kind of services provided by different entities are operating in the payment card market. | | | | | | | | | | |
| No link to report | | | | | | | | | | | |