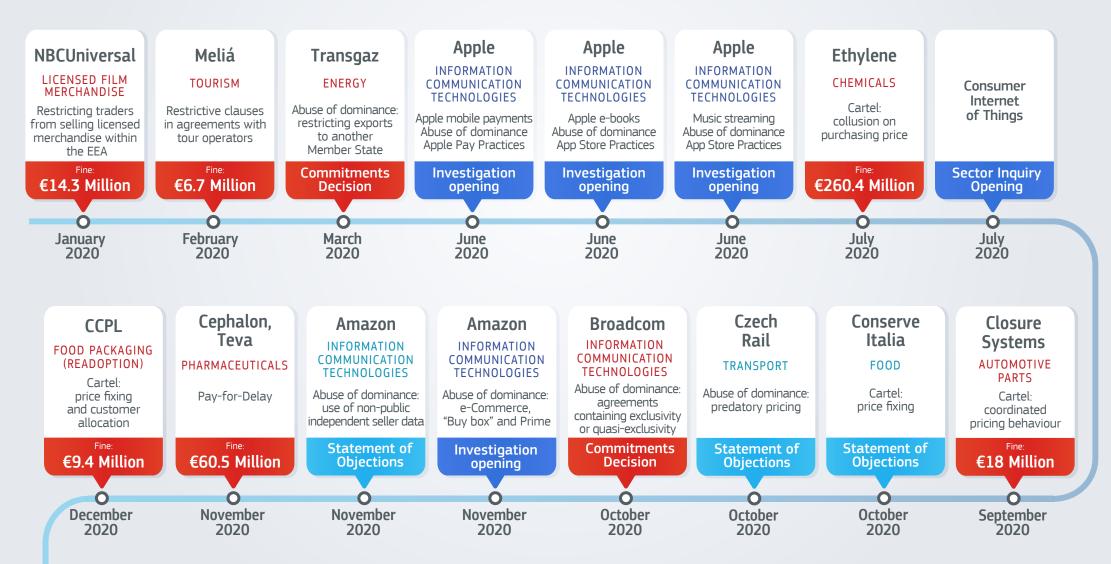
# Competition enforcement in antitrust and cartels



Since the start of this mandate (December 2019), the Commission has adopted 33 final decisions in antitrust and cartels\*, levelling +€4.6 billion in fines and accepted commitments putting an end to anti-competitive practices in 7 cases. Furthermore, the Commission also opened 17 new investigations, adopted 16 Statements of Objections and issued the preliminary results of its enquiry into the sector of Internet of Things (IoT) for consumer-related products and services. Antitrust enforcement covers many sectors of the economy (pharmaceuticals, energy, financial services, transport, digital markets, etc...).



#### **Public Power Video Games** Mondelez Teva Copaxone **EPEX Spot** Rail Cargo Aspen Corporation **PHARMACEUTICALS ENERGY TRANSPORT** FOOD **PHARMACEUTICALS INFORMATION ENERGY** COMMUNICATION Abuse of dominance Abuse of dominance: Abuse of dominance: Cartel: Abuse of dominance: **TECHNOLOGY** Restricting hindering predatory bidding Misuse of patent customer parallel trade excessive pricing system; exclusionary competitors' strategies allocation Geoblocking disparagement activities Fine: Fine: Investigation Commitments Investigation Investigation Investigation €7.8 Million €48 Million opening opening openina opening **Decision** 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 March March March April **January** January **February** 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 Facebook Supra-Sovereign, European Insurance Apple **ICAP EIRD** Sovereign and Ireland Government **INFORMATION INFORMATION** Agency (SSA) **Bonds FINANCE** COMMUNICATION FINANCE COMMUNICATION Bonds MOTOR VEHICLE **TECHNOLOGIES TECHNOLOGIES** Cartel: information **INSURANCE** FINANCE **FINANCE** Abuse of dominance: Cartel facilitator exchange in Euro Music Streaming Cartel: exchange Cartel: exchange misuse of data Yen Interest Rate Interest Rate Restricting access Abuse of dominance of commercially of commercially Derivatives received from Derivatives to data sensitive information sensitive information external advertisers Decision re-adoption App store practices Re-adoption Decision Fine: Fine: Fine: Fine: Statement of Investigation Statement of €371 Million €28 Million €31.7 Million €6.45 Million **Objections** opening **Objections** 0 0 0 0 0 0 April 2021 **June** June June May May April 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 **FOREX** Google Car **Public Power** Conserve (Foreign Abengoa INFORMATION **Emissions** Italia Corporation Exchange) COMMUNICATION **ETHANOL TECHNOLOGIES ENERGY** MOTOR VEHICLES FOOD. **FINANCE** Google Data and Adtech Granting of exclusive Cartel: Abuse of Dominance Cartel: Cartel: Cartel: rights. Set of practices Exchange of sensitive Coordinated trading Application of strengthening Google's collusion price fixing information behaviour market power in Article 106 TFEU on innovation display advertising Fine: Fine: Fine: €334.395 Commitments Investigation €875 Million €20 Million €20 Million Million opening Decision 0 0 0 O O 0 September July **November** December December June 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021 2021

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Abuse of dominance disparagement

> Investigation opening

#### České dráhy and Österreichische Bundesbahnen

SECOND HAND **ROLLING STOCK** 

Anti-Competitive Agreement Collective Boycott

Statement of **Objections** 

#### Apple

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION **TECHNOLOGIES** 

Apple Mobile Payments Abuse of Dominance **Apple Practices** regarding Apple Pay

> Statement of **Objections**

#### Google and Meta

ONLINE DISPLAY **ADVERTISING** 

Anti-Competitive Agreement

Investigation opening

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#### Pierre Cardin and Ahlers

**CLOTHING AND ACCESSORIES** 

Restriction of sales of licensed products. cross-border, online, and to specific customers

> Investigation opening

#### Telefónica and Pharol

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS** 

Non-Compete Agreement Decision re-adoption

Fine:

€79 Million

0 June 2022

0 June 2022

0 May 2022

March 2022

0 March 2022

0 January 2022

#### Insurance Ireland

MOTOR VEHICLE **INSURANCE** 

Restricting access to data

Commitments Decision

> 0 June 2022

### **Ethanol**

**BIOFUELS** 

Cartel: Coordinated trading behaviour

> Statement of **Objections**

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July

2022

# **Benchmarks**

**MOBILE TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS** 

Technical and financial limitations to infrastructure competition

**Network Sharing** 

Czech Republic

Commitments Decision

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July

2022

### Crown and Silgan

METAL CANS AND CLOSURES

Cartel: information sharing on sales volumes, pricing and durability quarantees

€31.5 Million

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July

2022

#### Teva Copaxone

**PHARMACEUTICALS** 

Abuse of dominance Misuse of patent system: exclusionary disparagement

> Statement of Objections

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**October** 

2022

### **Styrene** Monomer

**CHEMICALS** 

Cartel: collusion on purchasing price

Fine: €157 Million

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Amazon

#### **INFORMATION** COMMUNICATION **TECHNOLOGIES**

Abuse of dominance: use of non-public independent seller data, "Buy Box" and Prime bias

> Commitments **Decision**

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2022

Meta

#### **INFORMATION** COMMUNICATION **TECHNOLOGIES**

Abuse of dominance: tying and unfair trading conditions on data use related to classified ads

Statement of **Objections** 

Google and Meta

ONLINE DISPLAY **ADVERTISING** 

Investigation closed

November 2022

Euro-denominated **Bonds Trading** 

#### FINANCIAL SERVICES

Cartel: Collusion on pricing and trading strategy Exchange of commercially sensitive information

> Statement of Objections

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December 2022

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#### **Apple**

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION **TECHNOLOGIES** 

Music Streaming Abuse of dominance App store practices

> Replacement Statement of Objections

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#### Renfe

**ONLINE RAIL** TICKETING

Abuse of Dominance

Refusal to provide full content and real time data to third parties ticketing platforms

> Investigation opening

> > 0 **April** 2023

#### Google

**INFORMATION** COMMUNICATION **TECHNOLOGIES** 

Google Data and Adtech Abuse of Dominance Set of practices strengthening Google's market power in display advertising intermediation

> Statement of **Objections**

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June

2023

#### Microsoft

**INFORMATION** COMMUNICATION **TECHNOLOGIES** 

Abuse of Dominance Product tying or bundling

> Investigation opening

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July

2023

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#### Pierre Cardin and Ahlers

**CLOTHING AND** ACCESSORIES

Restriction of sales of licensed products, cross-border, online, and to specific customers

> Statement of **Objections**

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July

#### Intel

**COMPUTER CHIPS** 

Abuse of Dominance Halt or delay

sale of computer products containing competitor's chips

Fine:

€376.36 Million

September 2023

#### Ethanol Benchmarks

PRICE BENCHMARKS FOR ETHANOL

Cartel: Coordinated trading, limiting supply, exchange of commercially sensitive information

Fine: €47.7 Million

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December

2023

**Automotive** Starter **Batteries** 

MANUFACTURE OF BATTERIES AND **ACCUMULATORS** 

Cartel: Price Fixing

Statement of **Objections** 

Euro-Denominated Bonds

**FINANCE** 

Cartel: Exchange of commercially sensitive information. Coordination of trading and pricing strategies

Fine: €26.6 Million **SNBB** 

**PHARMACEUTICALS** 

Cartel: Price Fixing and quota allocation

Fine: €13.4 Million

Hand Grenades

**WEAPONS AND AMMUNITION** 

Cartel: allocation of national market

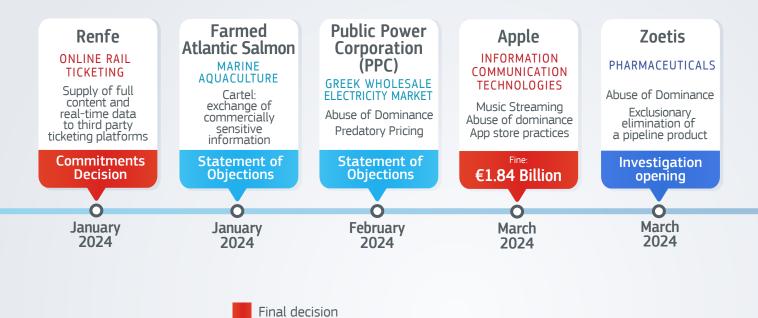
Fine: €1.2 Million

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0 November 2023

0 **October** 2023

0 November 2023



Investigation opening

Investigation closed

Statement of Objections