

**Course outline: JUS5310 – EU Competition Law**

(Textbook: Richard Whish/David Bailey: Competition Law, 9<sup>th</sup> ed.)

**1. Tuesday 27 August 08:15-10:00** (Prof. Erling Hjelmeng & prof. Eirik Østerud)

Introduction to competition law

- a. Basic economic theory
- b. Institutional aspects
- c. Legal structure

Reading: Richard Whish: Competition Law: Chapter 1, Chapter 2 (not 2.3.)

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Introduction to Abuse of dominance (Article 102)

- a. Defining the relevant market & Dominant position
- b. Introduction to abuse

Reading: Chapter 5

**2. Tuesday 10 September 08:15-10:00** (Eirik Østerud)

Abuse of dominance (Article 102)

- a. Forms of abuse
- b. Objective justification

Reading: Chapters 17 & 18

**3. Tuesday 17 September 08:15-10:00** (Erling Hjelmeng & Eirik Østerud)

Case based exercises and activities (Article 102)

**4. Tuesday 24 September 08:15-10:00** (Eirik Østerud)

Introduction anti-competitive agreements (Article 101)

Reading: Chapter 3

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Cartels

- a. Concerted practises
- b. Forms of cartels
- c. Leniency

Reading: Chapters 13 & 14

**5. Tuesday 8 October 08:15-10:00** (Eirik Østerud)

Cartels cont. & distribution restraints

- a. Forms of distribution
- b. Vertical restraints
- c. Legal assessment

Reading: Chapters 3, 4, 16

**6. Tuesday 15 October 08:15-10:00** (Erling Hjelmeng & Eirik Østerud)

Case based exercises and activities (Article 101)

**7. Tuesday 22 October 08:15-10:00** (Erling Hjelmeng)

Enforcement

- a. Sanctions & remedies
- b. Decisional power
- c. Procedure & Investigation
- d. Rights of the defence

Reading: Chapters 7 & 8

**8. Tuesday 29 October 08:15-10:00** (Erling Hjelmeng)

Enforcement con't [+ Member States: State Action & State Compulsion]

Reading: Chapter 6 (Not mandatory for BA-students)

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Case based exercises and activities (Enforcement)

**9. Tuesday 5 November 08:15-10:00** (Eirik Østerud)

Mergers

- a. Competence of the Commission
- b. Substantive issues
- c. Procedure
- d. Remedies
- e. Judicial review

Reading: Chapters 20 & 21 + 15.2.

**10. Tuesday 12 November 08:15-10:00** (Eirik Østerud)

Mergers con't

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Case based exercises and activities (Mergers)

**11. Tuesday 19 November 08:15-10:00** (Erling Hjelmeng & Eirik Østerud)

Case study