


Brexit overview: competition law and Brexit

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The precise impact of Brexit on competition law depends upon the acceptance of a withdrawal deal or the result of a no deal. Whatever the outcome after the transition period, any divergence between UK and EU competition law is likely to be evolutionary not revolutionary. We can help you understand the potential issues that any changes will have on your business.

Key issues

Regulatory divergence

Following Brexit, the UK may gradually diverge from EU competition law.

Merger control

The “one stop shop” notification system to the EU Commission under the EU Merger Regulation will no longer apply and some mergers may need to be notified in both the EU and the UK.

Investigations by competition authorities

The EU Commission and UK Competition and Markets Authority may conduct parallel investigations into UK-EU activity.

Competition litigation

Pursuing litigation in the UK for infringements of EU competition law may become more difficult.

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