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EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0339

Case C-233/23. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 25 February 2025. Alphabet Inc. and Others v Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato (AGCM). Request for a preliminary ruling from the Consiglio di Stato.

Reference for a preliminary ruling — Competition — Dominant position — Article 102 TFEU — Digital markets — Digital platform — Refusal of an undertaking in a dominant position which has developed a digital platform to allow access to that platform by a third-party undertaking which has developed an app, by ensuring that platform is interoperable with that app — Assessment of whether access to a digital platform is indispensable — Effects of the conduct at issue — Objective justification — Need for the undertaking in a dominant position to develop a template for a category of apps in order to allow access — Definition of the relevant downstream market.

1. EU-Swiss Relations

Case Law

Case C-121/23 P. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 13 February 2025. Swissgrid AG v European Commission.

Appeal – Internal market for electricity – Guideline on electricity balancing – Regulation (EU) 2017/2195 – Article 1(6) and (7) – Transmission system operators (TSOs) – Participation in European platforms for the exchange of standard products for balancing energy – Article 263 TFEU – Action for annulment – Admissibility – Concept of 'challengeable act' – Letter from the European Commission refusing the participation of a TSO operating in Switzerland in European platforms.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0121 - EN - EUR-Lex

2. External Relations / Foreign Policy

Community Legislation

Council Regulation (EU) 2025/395 of 24 February 2025 amending Regulation (EU) No 833/2014 concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine Regulation - EU - 2025/395

Council Regulation (EU) 2025/407 of 24 February 2025 amending Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria

Regulation - EU - 2025/407

3. Agriculture and Fisheries / Maritime Affairs

Case Law

Case C-625/23. Judgment of the Court (Sixth Chamber) of 13 February 2025. Società Agricola Circe di OL Società Semplice v ST, en son nom propre et en tant que gérant de l'entreprise individuelle Agricola Case Rosse di ST and Agenzia per le Erogazioni in Agricoltura (AGEA). Request for a preliminary ruling from the Corte suprema di cassazione.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Agriculture – Common agricultural policy – Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 – Single payment scheme – Article 33 – Regulation (EC) No 795/2004 – Payment entitlements – Eligibility – Article 15 – Concept of 'scission' – Reduction of the agricultural area after the provisional allocation of payment entitlements – Relevance of that reduction for the definitive allocation of the aid.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0625

Audiovisual and Media and Information Society

Case Law

Case C-562/23. Judgment of the Court (Sixth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. T - 2 družba za ustvarjanje, razvoj in trženje elektronskih komunikacij in opreme d.o.o. v Agencija za komunikacijska omrežja in storitve Republike Slovenije. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Upravno sodišče Republike Slovenije.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Authorisation of electronic communications networks and services – Harmonised radio spectrum – Individual rights of use for a limited period – Extension of those rights – Directive 2002/20/EC – Article 5(2) – Directive 2002/20, as amended by Directive 2009/140/EC – Article 5(2) – European Electronic Communications Code – Directive (EU) 2018/1972 – Article 49(1) and (2) – Temporal applicability. EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0562

Case C-638/23. Judgment of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Amt der Tiroler Landesregierung v Datenschutzbehörde and Others. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Verwaltungsgerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data – Regulation (EU) 2016/679 – Article 4(7) – Concept of 'controller' – Direct designation of the controller by national law – Auxiliary administrative entity in the service of a regional government – Lack of legal personality – Lack of legal capacity of the entity's own – Determination of the purposes and means of the processing. EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0638

Case C-203/22. Judgment of the Court (First Chamber) of 27 February 2025. CK v Dun & Bradstreet Austria GmbH and Magistrat der Stadt Wien. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Verwaltungsgericht Wien.

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EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0203

5. Competition and State Aid

Case Law

Case C-220/24. Judgment of the Court (Ninth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Regia Autonomă Aeroportul Internațional "Avram Iancu" Cluj v Consiliul Concurenței. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Curtea de Apel București.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Air transport – Directive 96/67/EC – Access to the groundhandling market at EU airports – Article 1 – Scope – Airports whose annual traffic is less than two million passenger movements – Refusal of access to airport infrastructure at such an airport – Article 6 – Groundhandling for third parties – Applicability of the competition rules – Article 102 TFEU.

EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0220

Opinion of Advocate General Medina delivered on 27 February 2025. Case C-59/23 P Republic of Austria v European Commission

Appeal – Nuclear industry – Aid planned by the Hungarian government for the development of two new nuclear reactors at the Paks site – Decision declaring the aid compatible with the internal market subject to compliance with certain commitments by Hungary.

EUR-Lex - 62023CC0059

Case C-233/23. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 25 February 2025. Alphabet Inc. and Others v Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato (AGCM). Request for a preliminary ruling from the Consiglio di Stato.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Competition – Dominant position – Article 102 TFEU – Digital markets – Digital platform – Refusal of an undertaking in a dominant position which has developed a digital platform to allow access to that platform by a third-party undertaking which has developed an app, by ensuring that platform is interoperable with that app – Assessment of whether access to a digital platform is indispensable – Effects of the conduct at issue – Objective justification – Need for the undertaking in a dominant position to develop a template for a category of apps in order to allow access – Definition of the relevant downstream market.

Case C-383/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 13 February 2025. Criminal proceedings against ILVA A/S. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Vestre Landsret.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Protection of personal data – Regulation (EU) 2016/679 – Article 83(4) to (6) and (9) - Concept of an 'undertaking' - Parent company and subsidiary - Infringement of that regulation by a subsidiary - Calculation of the amount of the fine - Consideration of the total turnover of the group of which that subsidiary forms part.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0383

6. Customs

Nothing to report for the period under review.

7. Economic and Monetary Affairs, Taxation, Enterprise

Case Law

Case C-277/24. Judgment of the Court (Ninth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. M. B. v Dyrektor Izby Administracji Skarbowej we Wrocławiu. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Wojewódzki Sąd Administracyjny we Wrocławiu.

Reference for a preliminary ruling - Common system of value added tax (VAT) - Directive 2006/112/EC - Article 273 – Measures to ensure the correct collection of VAT – VAT debt of a taxable person – National legislation which provides for the joint and several liability of the former chairperson of the management board of the taxable person - Participation of the former chairperson of the management board in the proceedings establishing the existence of a VAT debt – Proceedings to invoke joint and several liability – Calling into question of the VAT debt – Rights of the defence – Proportionality.

EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0277

Case C-677/22. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 6 February 2025. Przedsiębiorstwo Produkcyjno -Handlowo - Usługowe A. v P. S.A. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sąd Rejonowy Katowice - Wschód w Katowicach.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Combating late payment in commercial transactions – Directive 2011/7/EU - Commercial transactions between undertakings - Article 3(5) - Obligation on Member States to ensure that the period for payment set in the contract concluded between undertakings does not exceed 60 calendar days -Possibility, for contracting parties, to set a longer period for payment – Condition for the express agreement in the contract of such a period – Condition that a contractual term is not grossly unfair to the creditor – Cumulative conditions – Contracts in which the terms are determined unilaterally by one of the parties – Contractual term by which the debtor unilaterally sets the period for payment of 120 days - Unlawfulness.

EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0677

8. Education, Training, Youth, Culture, Research and Innovation

Nothing to report for the period under review.

9. Employment and Social Affairs

Case Law

Joined Cases C-146/23 and C-374/23. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 25 February 2025. XL and Others v Sąd Rejonowy w Białymstoku and Lietuvos Respublika. Requests for a preliminary ruling from the Sąd Rejonowy w Białymstoku and Vilniaus apygardos administracinis teismas.

References for a preliminary ruling – Freezing or reduction of remuneration in the national public administration – Measures specifically aimed at judges – Article 2 TEU – Article 19(1), second subparagraph, TEU – Article 47 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union – Obligations on Member States to provide remedies sufficient to ensure effective judicial protection – Principle of judicial independence – Powers of the legislatures and executives of the Member States to set the detailed rules for determining judges' remuneration – Possibility of derogating from those rules – Conditions.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0146

10. Energy and Environment

Community Legislation

Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/258 of 7 February 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2400 as regards the determination of the CO2 emissions and fuel consumption of medium and heavy lorries and heavy buses and the inclusion of vehicles running on hydrogen and other new technologies and amending Regulation (EU) No 582/2011 as regards the applicable rules on the determination of CO2 emissions and fuel consumption in order to obtain an extension to an EU type-approval

Regulation - EU - 2025/258

Case Law

Case C-121/23 P. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 13 February 2025. Swissgrid AG v European Commission.

Appeal – Internal market for electricity – Guideline on electricity balancing – Regulation (EU) 2017/2195 – Article 1(6) and (7) – Transmission system operators (TSOs) – Participation in European platforms for the exchange of standard products for balancing energy – Article 263 TFEU – Action for annulment – Admissibility – Concept of 'challengeable act' – Letter from the European Commission refusing the participation of a TSO operating in Switzerland in European platforms.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0121 - EN - EUR-Lex

11. Food Safety, Public Health and Consumers

Community Legislation

Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/350 of 21 February 2025 refusing to authorise a health claim made on foods, other than those referring to the reduction of disease risk and to children's development and health Regulation - EU - 2025/350

Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/351 of 21 February 2025 amending Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 on plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food, amending Regulation (EU) 2022/1616 on recycled plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foods, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 282/2008, and amending Regulation (EC) No 2023/2006 on good manufacturing practice for materials and articles intended to come into contact with food as regards recycled plastic and other matters related to quality control and manufacturing of plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food Regulation - EU - 2025/351

Case Law

Case C-517/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Apothekerkammer Nordrhein v DocMorris NV. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Bundesgerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Medicinal products for human use – Directive 2001/83/EC – Article 86(1) – Concept of 'advertising of medicinal products' – Article 87(3) – Advertising of prescription-only medicinal products – Advertising of a pharmacy's entire range of medicinal products – Vouchers corresponding to a certain sum of money or a percentage reduction for the subsequent purchase of other products – Price reductions and payments with immediate effect – Free movement of goods – Article 34 TFEU – Freedom to provide services – Electronic commerce – Directive 2000/31/EC – Article 3(2) and (4)(a) – Restriction – Justification – Consumer protection.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0517

Case C-85/24. Judgment of the Court (First Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Verein für Konsumenteninformation v BAWAG P.S.K. Bank für Arbeit und Wirtschaft und Österreichische Postsparkasse AG. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Oberster Gerichtshof.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Consumer protection – **Credit agreements for consumers relating to residential immovable property** – Directive 2014/17/EU – Article 13(1)(g) – General information on home loan products – Obligation to provide a 'representative example' – Directive 2005/29/EC – Article 7 – Banking institution offering different variants of loans – **Information sheet including only examples of variable rate credit agreements**.

EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0085

Case C-674/23. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 27 February 2025. AEON NEPREMIČNINE, d.o.o. and Others v Državni zbor Republike Slovenije. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Ustavno sodišče Republike Slovenije.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Freedom of establishment – Services in the internal market – Directive 2006/123/EC – Article 15(2) and (3) – Fixed maximum tariffs – Provider of property intermediation services – National legislation laying down a maximum limit on the commission charged for intermediation services relating to the sale or rental of immovable property by a natural person – Proportionality – Articles 16 and 38 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union – Freedom to conduct a business – Consumer protection.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0674

12. Human Rights

Case Law

Case C-674/23. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 27 February 2025. AEON NEPREMIČNINE, d.o.o. and Others v Državni zbor Republike Slovenije. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Ustavno sodišče Republike Slovenije.

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Case C-454/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. K.A.M. v Republic of Cyprus. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Dioikitiko Dikastirio Diethnous Prostasias.

Reference for a preliminary ruling — Area of freedom, security and justice — Asylum policy — International protection — Directive 2011/95/EU — Refugee status — Article 14(4)(a) and (5) — Revocation or refusal to grant refugee status in the event of danger to the security of the host Member State — Conduct and acts prior to the entry of the applicant into the territory of the host Member State — Admissibility — Validity — Article 18 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union — Article 78(1) TFEU — Convention relating to the Status of Refugees ('Geneva Convention').

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0454

Opinion of Advocate General Ćapeta delivered on 13 February 2025. Case C-417/23 Slagelse Almennyttige Boligselskab, Afdeling Schackenborgvænge v MV, EH, LI, AQ and LO, joined parties: BL – Danmarks Almene Boliger, Institut for Menneskerettigheder and others v Social-, Bolig- og Ældreministeriet, joined parties: Institut for Menneskerettigheder, FN særlige rapportør E. Tendayi Achiume, FN særlige rapportør Blakrishnan Rajagopa. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Østre Landsret (High Court of Eastern Denmark, Denmark) Reference for a preliminary ruling – Directive 2000/43/EC – Equal treatment between persons irrespective of racial or ethnic origin – National legislation requiring the adoption of development plans in certain residential areas designated as 'parallel societies' – Criterion of 'immigrants and their descendants from non-Western countries' – Concepts of 'ethnic origin', 'direct discrimination' and 'indirect discrimination'.

EUR-Lex - 62023CC0417

Joined Cases C-146/23 and C-374/23. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 25 February 2025. XL and Others v Sąd Rejonowy w Białymstoku and Lietuvos Respublika. Requests for a preliminary ruling from the Sąd Rejonowy w Białymstoku and Vilniaus apygardos administracinis teismas.

References for a preliminary ruling – Freezing or reduction of remuneration in the national public administration – Measures specifically aimed at judges – Article 2 TEU – Article 19(1), second subparagraph, TEU – Article 47 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union – Obligations on Member States to provide remedies sufficient to ensure effective judicial protection – Principle of judicial independence – Powers of the legislatures and executives of the Member States to set the detailed rules for determining judges' remuneration – Possibility of derogating from those rules – Conditions.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0146

13. Internal Market and Free Movement

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Case C-674/23. Judgment of the Court (Third Chamber) of 27 February 2025. AEON NEPREMIČNINE, d.o.o. and Others v Državni zbor Republike Slovenije. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Ustavno sodišče Republike Slovenije.

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EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0674

Case C-18/23. Judgment of the Court (First Chamber) of 27 February 2025. F S.A. v Dyrektor Krajowej Informacji Skarbowej. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Wojewódzki Sąd Administracyjny w Gliwicach.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Article 63(1) TFEU – Free movement of capital – **Undertakings for collective investment in transferable securities** – Corporation tax – **Exemption from corporation tax for income received by such an undertaking** – Conditions for exemption – External management of that undertaking – Directive 2009/65/EC – Article 29(1) – Applicability.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0018

14. Intellectual Property

Nothing to report for the period under review.

15. Justice, Freedom and Security (incl. Judicial Cooperation)

Case Law

Case C-537/23. Judgment of the Court (First Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Società Italiana Lastre SpA (SIL) v Agora SARL. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Cour de cassation.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Judicial cooperation in civil and commercial matters – Regulation (EU) No 1215/2012 – Article 25(1) – Agreement conferring jurisdiction – Assessment of the validity of the agreement – Imprecise and asymmetric nature – Applicable law – Concept of 'null and void as to its substantive validity'. EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0537

Case C-454/23. Judgment of the Court (Fifth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. K.A.M. v Republic of Cyprus. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Dioikitiko Dikastirio Diethnous Prostasias.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Area of freedom, security and justice – Asylum policy – International protection – Directive 2011/95/EU – Refugee status – Article 14(4)(a) and (5) – Revocation or refusal to grant refugee status in the event of danger to the security of the host Member State – Conduct and acts prior to the entry of the applicant into the territory of the host Member State – Admissibility – Validity – Article 18 of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union – Article 78(1) TFEU – Convention relating to the Status of Refugees ('Geneva Convention').

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0454

Case C-753/23. Judgment of the Court (Tenth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. A. N. v Ministerstvo vnitra. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Nejvyšší správní soud.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Area of freedom, security and justice – Temporary protection in the event of a mass influx of displaced persons – Directive 2001/55/EC – Articles 8 and 11 – Implementing Decision (EU) 2022/382 – Successive applications for a residence permit for the purposes of temporary protection in several Member States – Examination of the subsequent application – Right to an effective remedy. EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0753

Case C-339/22. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 25 February 2025. BSH Hausgeräte GmbH v Electrolux AB. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Svea Hovrätt.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Jurisdiction and the enforcement of judgments in civil and commercial matters – Regulation (EU) No 1215/2012 – Article 4(1) – General jurisdiction – Article 24(4) – Exclusive jurisdiction – Jurisdiction in proceedings concerned with the registration or validity of patents – Infringement action – European patent validated in Member States and in a third State – Challenge to the validity of the patent raised as a defence – International jurisdiction of the court hearing the infringement action.

EUR-Lex - 62022CJ0339

Case C-158/23. Judgment of the Court (Grand Chamber) of 4 February 2025. T.G. v Minister van Sociale Zaken en Werkgelegenheid. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Raad van State.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Asylum policy – Refugee status or subsidiary protection status – Directive 2011/95/EU – Article 34 – Access to integration facilities – Obligation to pass, on pain of a fine, a civic integration examination – Beneficiary of international protection who has not passed such an examination in time – Obligation to pay a fine – Obligation to bear the full costs of civic integration courses and examinations – Possibility of obtaining a loan in order to pay those costs.

EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0158

16. Transport

Community Legislation

Commission Regulation (EU) 2025/258 of 7 February 2025 amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2400 as regards the determination of the CO2 emissions and fuel consumption of medium and heavy lorries and heavy buses and the inclusion of vehicles running on hydrogen and other new technologies and amending Regulation (EU) No 582/2011 as regards the applicable rules on the determination of CO2 emissions and fuel consumption in order to obtain an extension to an EU type-approval

Regulation - EU - 2025/258

Case Law

Case C-220/24. Judgment of the Court (Ninth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Regia Autonomă Aeroportul Internațional "Avram Iancu" Cluj v Consiliul Concurenței. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Curtea de Apel Bucuresti.

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17. Community Institutions, Principles and the Communities' own Resources

Case Law

Opinion of Advocate General Medina delivered on 27 February 2025. Case C-271/23 European Commission V Hungary

Failure of a Member State to fulfil obligations – Article 258 TFEU – Council Decision (EU) 2021/3 – Joint position to be taken on behalf of the European Union – Article 218(9) TFEU – Legal basis – Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol, and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances of 1971 – Scheduling of cannabis and cannabis-related substances – Vote at the session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs – Vote and position of the Member State contrary to the Council decision – Article 3(2) TFEU, in fine – External competence of the Union – Article 288(4) TFEU – Article 277 TFEU – Plea of illegality raised by a Member State – Admissibility – Council Framework Decision 2004/757/JHA – Article 4(3) TEU – Principle of sincere cooperation – Obligations to inform, consult and mitigate

EUR-Lex - 62023CC0271

Case C-16/24. Judgment of the Court (Eighth Chamber) of 27 February 2025. Criminal proceedings against YR and Others. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Sofiyski gradski sad.

Reference for a preliminary ruling – Second subparagraph of Article 19(1) TEU – Effective judicial protection – National rules on how cases are allocated among the judges of a given court – Allocation of cases by the head of court management – Power of the judge assigned to verify the lawfulness of the allocation. <u>EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0016</u>

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Appeal – Nuclear industry – Aid planned by the Hungarian government for the development of two new nuclear reactors at the Paks site – Decision declaring the aid compatible with the internal market subject to compliance with certain commitments by Hungary.

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EUR-Lex - 62023CJ0146

Case C-42/24. Judgment of the Court (Sixth Chamber) of 6 February 2025. Emporiki Serron AE - Emporias kai Diathesis Agrotikon Proionton v Ypourgos Anaptyxis kai Ependyseon and Ypourgos Agrotikis Anaptyxis kai Trofimon. Request for a preliminary ruling from the Symvoulio tis Epikrateias.

Reference for a preliminary ruling — Protection of the European Union's financial interests — Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2988/95 — Irregularities — Article 3 — Limitation period — Duration and starting point of that period — National legislation providing for a five-year limitation period as from the time the irregularity is discovered. <u>EUR-Lex - 62024CJ0042</u>