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Clusters and Competition: Legal Limits on Cooperation and Information Sharing

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Abstract

The principal objective of this paper is to raise cluster managers' awareness about antitrust laws and enforcement. The paper points to the clash between concept of clusters and cluster policies with the antitrust laws and competition policies. The authors discuss various forms of cooperation and explain why they may get clusters into trouble with antitrust enforcement authorities. A short summary of best practices for avoiding any antitrust issues is provided. Examples from EU antitrust enforcement history are used to convince the reader of the seriousness of the matter in contrast with the relative inattention it receives among the cluster community.

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