

<b>Module title</b>		<b>Abbreviation</b>
European Competition Policy		12-M-WPE-152-m01
<b>Module coordinator</b>		<b>Module offered by</b>
holder of the Chair of Industrial Economics		Faculty of Business Management and Economics
<b>ECTS</b>	<b>Method of grading</b>	<b>Only after succ. compl. of module(s)</b>
5	numerical grade	--
<b>Duration</b>	<b>Module level</b>	<b>Other prerequisites</b>
1 semester	graduate	--
<b>Contents</b>		
<p>Outline of syllabus:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Legal environment, competition laws</li> <li>2. Market definition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Qualitative methods</li> <li>• Simple quantitative methods</li> <li>• Hypothetical monopoly test</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. Horizontal agreements and collusion: repeated games and factors affecting likelihood of collusion</li> <li>4. Horizontal mergers and collusion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic theory</li> <li>• Efficiency effects</li> <li>• Coordinated effects</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Vertical relations and contracts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economic analysis of contracts</li> <li>• "More economic approach"</li> </ul> </li> <li>6. Abuse of dominant position <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Classification of abusive conduct</li> <li>• Economic analysis of abusive conduct and theory of harm</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>The course will be taught in English.</p>		
<b>Intended learning outcomes</b>		
<p>After completion of the module students can use the advanced concepts introduced in the lecture of competition policy, including the legal framework, the trace models and methods for the study of competition policy issues, as well as understand the approach of European competition policy in high profile cases. When they are confronted with practical problems, they can refer to these cases, and the same logic to practical examples apply by draining the relevant economic theories that identify variables to be measured and methodologies for assessing, and based on that adequate conclusions for appropriate cases. They will sufficiently understand the subject in order to open up that build upon literature in journals and being able to think critically.</p>		
<b>Courses</b> (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
V (2) Module taught in: German and/or English		
<b>Method of assessment</b> (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
<p>a) written examination (approx. 60 to 90 minutes) or b) written examination (questions concerning mathematical methodology; approx. 120 minutes) or c) term paper (approx. 15 to 20 pages) or d) project report (approx. 10 pages) and presentation (approx. 15 minutes) Language of assessment: German and/or English creditable for bonus</p>		
<b>Allocation of places</b>		
10 places. There are no restrictions with regard to available places for students of the Master's degree programmes Business Management, Economics, Wirtschaftsinformatik (Business Information Systems), Wirtschaftsmathematik (Mathematics for Economics) and Chinese and Economics as well as China Business and Economics.		

A total of 10 places each will be allocated by lot to students of the Master's degree programmes Angewandte Humangeographie (Applied Human Geography) and PSS.

**Additional information**

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**Workload**

150 h

**Teaching cycle**

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**Referred to in LPO I** (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)

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**Module appears in**

Master's degree (1 major) Media Communication (2015)  
 Master's degree (1 major) Applied Human Geography (2015)  
 Master's degree (1 major) Political and Social Sciences (2015)