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Brief explanation on the course theme

This part of the course aims to provide an introduction to competition policy in Europe and in Sweden, including economic analysis, the state of the law and as well as a few cases. The course starts with a short introduction to the concept of market power and a quick overview of the major competition policy areas. Thereafter, we will go through the most important rules at some depth.

Course Schedule

1. Introduction to market power. Overview of competition policy. Market delineation. Case. (Readings: [01])
2. Anticompetitive effects of horizontal mergers. Efficiency gains. Case (Readings: [2])
3. Anticompetitive agreements, with focus on cartels. Case. (Readings: [03])
4. Abuse of dominance. (Readings: [04])

Textbook

Massimo Motta: Competition Policy - Theory and Practice, Cambridge University Press, 2004.

Reading List

All slides are part of the reading assignment.

[01] Motta, Ch. 1.3-4; 2-3.

[02] Motta, Ch. 5.1 - 5.6

[03] Motta, Ch. 4.1, 4.2 (excluding 4.2.5), 4.4

[04] Motta, Ch. 7.1, 7.2 (excluding 7.2.3)

Notice that the more technical material indicated by gray is not part of the reading. Some of this material may, however, be covered during lecture.