

Dawn raids make a serious comeback



German Bundeskartellamt:

Dawn raids of companies active in power cable manufacture (18 January 2022)



Norwegian competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in finance (February 2022); construction (February 2022); relocation services (Authority press release, 21 September 2021, date of dawn raid not announced); a health-related market over concerns around illegal exchanges of competitively sensitive information (Authority press release, 23 June 2021; dawn raids in May 2021)



Dutch competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in the food processing sector (Authority press release, 1 December 2021, date of raids not announced)



Belgian competition authority:

Dawn raid of a professional association active in the bovine meat sector (Authority press release, 1 April 2022; date of dawn raid not announced)



European Commission:

Dawn raids of company active in gas production (30 March 2022); companies and associations active in the automotive sector (15 March 2022, in coordination with the UK Competition and Markets Authority); company active in the defence sector (23 November 2021); company suspected of abuse of dominance in the animal health sector (25 October 2021); companies active in the wood pulp sector (12 October 2021); company active in the manufacture and distribution of garments (22 June 2021)



French competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in food retail (9 November 2021); companies and a professional association active in the collection and use of pharmacy dispensary data (8 July 2021)



Portuguese and Spanish competition authorities:

Joint dawn raids on commercial and financial information services (2-4 June 2021)



Spanish competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in security and surveillance services (1-4 March 2022); plastic and metal recycling (14-16 December 2021); database marketing (June 2021); and in the procurement of military equipment (3-4 November 2021)



Swedish competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in PCR tests (Authority press release, 15 December 2021; date of raids not announced)



Polish competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in hospital IT systems (Authority press release, 29 December 2021; date of raid not announced); pork buyers (September and July 2021); monitoring equipment (Authority press release, 11 October 2021; date of dawn raid not announced); company suspected of imposing minimum resale prices for distributors of professional cleaning equipment and systems on the internet (Authority press release, 21 July 2021; date of raid not announced); car dealers (Authority press release, 1 June 2021; date of raids not announced)



Hungarian competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in the timber market (Authority press release, 25 October 2021, date of dawn raid not announced); gravel production (20 July 2021)



Romanian competition authority:

Dawn raids of company suspected of abuse of dominance in the telecommunication sector (Authority press release, 24 December 2021; date of dawn raid not announced); on companies suspected of entering into no poach agreements in the motor vehicle sector (Authority press release, 31 January 2022; date of raids not announced); company suspected of abuse of dominance in direct oral anticoagulants (Authority press release, 6 December 2021; date of raids not announced); companies active in paints and decorative coatings (Authority press release, 12 October 2021; date of raid not public); companies active in book distribution (Authority press release, 23 September 2021; date of raids not announced); bid-rigging in the document archiving sector (Authority press release, 7 July 2021; date of raids not announced)



Greek competition authority:

Dawn raids of companies active in catering services (22 March 2022); the supply of medical products (10 March 2022); construction sector (9 March 2022); eyewear (22 February 2022); cosmetics and personal care (18 February 2022); construction (16 February 2022); sunflower, cotton and maize seeds (14 December 2021); provision of cadastral survey services (11 November 2021); production and supply of pharmaceutical products (7 October 2021); refining, wholesale and retail trade of petrol and diesel (28 September 2021); supply and retail trade of supermarket products (9 September 2021); school bags, children's lunch bags and pencil cases (16 September 2021); public tenders for the provision of IT systems (7 September 2021); catering services provision (July 2021); public tenders for the construction of natural gas networks and relevant equipment and materials (14 July 2021); public tenders related to energy saving and upgrades of lighting systems (8 June 2021); the import, wholesale and retail markets for power tools and garden tools (24 June 2021); wholesale and retail markets of telecommunications and teleconferencing equipment and related equipment, spare parts and software (11 June 2021)



Slovenian competition authority:

Dawn raids on companies suspected of price fixing in professional training courses for drivers of dangerous goods (31 August 2021)



Slovak competition authority:

Dawn raid of company active in selling and repairing robotized workplaces (6 April 2022)