

COMPLETION REPORT

The Integration of Competition Law in East Asia: Issues and Prospects

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With the rapid integration of the regional economy, anticompetitive conducts have become the barriers to further the economic development in East Asia. As medicine is to good health, competition law is to well-functioning markets. It is necessary to integrate and employ competition law to fight against anticompetitive conducts in the regional market just as EU has done. Therefore, the objective of this project is to promote the integration of competition law from the positive and procedural aspects in East Asia through re-examining the status quo of competition laws of each countries in this region, analyzing constraints and challenges of the competition law integration, and exploring the concrete proposals to establish the regional competition law. Accordingly, the project is conducted as follows: (1)to articulate the relationship between competition law and the regional economic integration in East Asia; (2)to analyze possibilities and challenges to integrate competition law in East Asia; (3)to draw on experiences and lessons from EU competition law integration; (4)to provide constructive suggestions to set up the regional competition law and enforce it. Moreover, it is supposed to propose some methods and institutions to regulate anticompetitive conducts effectively and efficiently, so as to protect free and fair competition and achieve the win-win situation.

According to the mentioned, this project has studied the integration of Competition Law in East Asia comprehensively and systematically, and constructed the rationale and institutional proposals to promote the integration. That is, this project has tried to attain to two-level objectives: (1)from the view of positive rules, it aims at making some proposals to create the model code of competition law in East Asia or negotiate a competition treaty of East Asia, which will include the definition and standards of anticompetitive conducts and so on; (2) from the view of enforcement procedures, it intends to establish the competition coordination mechanism of East Asia, so as to solve anticompetitive issues effectively and efficiently. So based on the above, it is hoped to achieve the final objective to maintain free and fair competition, and enhance the economic efficiency and consumers' welfare in East Asia.

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