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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Readers,

Online platforms remain an ever growing hot topic within the antitrust community around the world.

The rapid expansion of online platforms, such as ride hailing or accommodation sharing applications, has given rise to concerns from competition authorities and policymakers. This month's CPI Antitrust Chronicle focuses on the latest developments in the intersection of competition policy and online platforms, with articles from authors in Europe, the U.S. and China.

Where do things stand in these jurisdictions and what are some key takeaways? Online platforms have already been subject to antitrust review in merger and unilateral conduct cases and some lessons can be learned from these cases in different jurisdictions.

One thing seems clear, competition authorities around the world will increasingly need to identify and regulate issues related to online platforms while keeping public policy objectives, among others, in mind.

We are pleased to open this month's Chronicle with an interview with Massimo Motta, former Chief Competition Economist at the European Commission's Directorate General for Competition.

As always, thank you to our great panel of authors.

Sincerely,

CPI Team