



**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA
COMPETITION AUTHORITY**

PRESS RELEASE

ON THE 8-TH SUBCOMITTEE EU-ALBANIA

“On the internal market and competition, including consumer and health protection”

On 26-th of May 2016, in Tirana has been held the eight Subcommittee meeting EU-Albania, **“On the internal market and competition, including consumer and health protection ”**, which is an annual reporting process and discussion between the Competition Authority and the representatives of the General Competition Directorate of the European Commission. Based on an detailed report of the annual activity of the Competition Authority, the European competition supervisors assessed the intervention in the market of our institutions through the investigation cases and the decision taking of the Competition Commission, the given recommendations for the central institutions and regulatory bodies and also the process of legal approximation.

Through the discussions, was able to be confirmed the instruments, used from the Competition Authority as the right one and most balanced in the economic and institutional environment in Albania. More concretely, has been assessed the dynamic process of the competition agency in the process of aligning our legal framework with the European competition framework, the proactive and cooperative attitude of the Competition Authority in the process of assessing the concessions, and also the government obligation to implement the recommendations of competition authority, as an instrument that bring revenues to Albanian economy.

The representatives of DG Competition express their evaluation and considerations for the work and institutional activity, encouraging the interventions in the market on protection the free competition. Has been assessed the institutional work regarding the intervention in different sectors of the market, the assessment and examination of complains, the national and international cooperation, the staff administrative capacities etc.