

## REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA -ALBANIAN COMPETITION AUTHORITY-

## PRIOR NOTIFICATION OF CONCENTRATION

Merger by absorption ALPHA BANK S.A / EFG EUROBANK S.A)

On October 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011, the Competition Authority received the notification of concentration achieved between (ALPHA BANK JSC / EFG Eurobank S.A). The stock purchase agreement was signed on August 29<sup>th</sup> 2011 with the subject merger by absorption of Alpha Bank S.A and Eurobank S.A.

Alpha Bank S.A: is a bank registered under the Greek legislation, which offers a wide range of services, including banking services to individuals, corporate banking services, assets management, private banking services, insurance distribution, financial leasing, factoring, brokering etc.

Eurobank S.A: is one of the leading banks in Greece, which offers banking services to individuals, banking services for small and medium-sized undertakings, investment bank, capital market services, private banking services and assets management.

The activity of the Parties to the transaction lies in the region of Southeast Europe, while in Albania it is present only Alpha Bank.

The Authority invites the interested parties to express their opinions to the notified transaction. Opinions must be submitted no later than 15 days from the publication of this notice.

Opinions can be sent to the Competition Authority via fax: ( no. 0355 4 2234 497 ), via mail in the address: Albanian Competition Authority, Str: "Sami Frashëri", No. 4, IV-floor Tiranë; or via e-mail: <u>competition@caa.gov.al</u>