Implementation of the Treaty
– Competition –

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The *acquis* on competition

I. The three-tier system
   - Cartel prohibition
   - Prohibition of abuses of a dominant position
   - State aid prohibition
     Plus: public undertakings

II. Competition and State aid in energy markets

III. Implementation of the competition *acquis* in general
   - No sector-specific approach
   - Modeled on EC competition law (pre-modernization)
   - Independent authorities in place
   - Situation re State aid is unsatisfactory
Existing laws in the Contracting Parties


II. Bosnia and Herzegovina  
   Act on Competition (2005)

III. Croatia  Competition Act (2003) and State Aid Act (2005)

IV. Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia  


VI. Serbia  Law on Protection of Competition (2005)

VII. UNMIK  Law on Competition (2004)
# Existing laws

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Next steps

I. Information gathering cont‘d

II. Assessment of compliance with the *acquis* (MC June 2008)

III. Including decisions by authorities and courts

IV. Providing assistance to Contracting Parties

V. Workshop in October