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to the Commission**
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Subject: Adjusting competition policy

Growing competition from global enterprises, some of which receive financial state support, has made the creation of European industry and technology giants essential. The EU must be in a position to compete with new global players and not let them gain the upper hand. Accordingly, we have recently seen the merging of Alstom with Siemens and STX France with Fincantieri as a way of countering the size of global rivals.

Articles 101 to 109 TEU set out competition rules and have the objective of safeguarding competition in the EU.

Is the Commission planning to suggest a new competition policy strategy in the light of new globalisation developments?