**Workshop**

**Competition issues in the transport sector**

**Venue: Zoom**

12 April 2022, 11.00 – 13.00, Brasilia

***Agenda***

The first part of the workshop will focus on competition issues in the maritime-transport sector. In particular, an expert speaker will discuss the concentration in liner shipping and vertical integration in maritime transport. Indeed, global alliances have become a dominant feature of container shipping. Three global alliances (2M, Ocean and THE Alliance) represent around 80% of overall container trade and operate around 95% of the total ship capacity on East-West trade lanes, where the major containerised flows occur. In addition, most major liner companies have integrated other activities such as terminal operations, freight forwarding and intermodal transport (“door-to-door”). The workshop will discuss the implications for competition of these trends in the maritime transport industry.

The second part of the workshop will delve into the OECD’s Services Trade Restrictiveness Index (STRI). An expert speaker will introduce the STRI – with a focus on the air and maritime transport sectors – and provide Brazil-specific insights. The OECD STRI is a unique, evidence-based tool that collects information on services trade restrictions across major services sectors. The STRI provides a rich source of information for trade policy makers, trade negotiators and researchers, and an instrument for impact assessment of trade liberalisation. The STRI also allows individual countries to benchmark their services market regulations against the global best practice, identify outlier restrictions and current bottlenecks.

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| *11.00 – 11.10* | **Welcome remarks** Ricardo Medeiros de Castro, Deputy Chief Economist, CADEFederica Maiorano, Senior Competition Expert, OECD |
| *11.10 – 12.00* | **Competition considerations in the maritime sector*** Concentration in liner shipping
* Vertical integration in maritime transport

*Speaker: Olaf Merk, Project Manager Ports and Shipping, International Transport Forum* |
| *12.00 – 12.50*  | **The OECD’s Services Trade Restrictiveness Index*** Introduction to the Services Trade Restrictiveness Index
* Focus on the air and maritime transport sectors
* Brazil-specific insights
* Q & A

*Speaker: Frederic Gonzales, Trade Policy Analyst, OECD* |
| *12.50 – 13.00* | **Closure**Ricardo Medeiros de Castro, Deputy Chief Economist, CADEFederica Maiorano, Senior Competition Expert, OECD |