DMA enforcement timeline

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5 July 2022

European Parliament adopts the DMA

18 July 2022 AGRI Council approves the DMA

12 October 2022

DMA published in the Official Journal of the EU

1 November 2022DMA enters into force

2 May 2023DMA starts to apply

3 July 2023

Deadline for first companies to notify the Commission about meeting quantitative thresholds (Art. 3(3))

4 July- 6 September 2023

The Commission
designates first
gatekeepers
(if the prospective
designation has not
been contested by the
company concerned)
(Art. 3(4))

September 2023-March 2024

The Commission & the gatekeepers discuss compliance measures (Art. 8(3))

March 2024

First designated gatekeepers start complying with the obligations (Art. 3(10))

July-Sept 2022 Oct–Dec 2022

Jan-March 2023 Apr-June 2023 Jul-Sept 2023 Oct-Dec 2023 Jan – March 2024

Worst case scenario when it comes to the DMA enforcement

- Company notifying the Commission about meeting quantitative thresholds contests its possible designation (3 July 2023).
- By 6 September 2023 the Commission either rejects arguments by the company concerned and issue designation decision or further assess it via market investigation.
- In the latter case, the Commission shall endeavour to conclude the probe within 5 months from the opening of the market investigation (February 2024).
- If designated, the gatekeeper concerned would be obliged to comply with obligations 6 months from the designation decision, i.e., **August 2024.**