Preface

The present volume represents one of the outcomes of the project ‘European Networking and Training for National Competition Enforcers’ (ENTraNCE). The project is organized by the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies (RSCAS) of the European University Institute (EUI) in Florence (Italy). ENTraNCE organizes training, research and policy debates in the field of competition law and economics. More than 300 national judges from 24 EU Member States have attended this training programme since 2011. The programme includes residential training in Florence as well as online activities. Each year the training focuses on a different aspect of competition law enforcement that is relevant to the national judiciary. The training is cofinanced by DG Competition of the European Commission.

The present volume represents the final outcome of the seventh edition of ENTraNCE for Judges. ENTraNCE for Judges 2017 focused on the role of national courts in State aid enforcement. The present volume includes contributions from the speakers who intervened in the context of the residential training of ENTraNCE for Judges 2017 in Florence. In addition, the three editors of the book have actively been involved in the organization of ENTraNCE Judges since its first edition: Professor Parcu is the Director of the programme; Professor Monti acts as Scientific Coordinator; Dr Botta deals with the organization of the residential and online activities of the training programme.

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