

Territorial jurisdiction in cross-border cases with a plurality of procedures

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Can I use the answer of another exam?

## SUMMARY

Place	Provision R. 1215/2012	Scope (Damage)	Relevance
Agreed place (but Wikingerhof and Apple Sales)	Art. 25	Limited to contractual arrangement	**
Domicile of the defendant	Art. 4	Unlimited	***
Domicile of the defendant (Anchor defendant)	Art.4 +8.1	Unlimited (claim against all defendants)	***
Place of implementation (purchase¿?)	Art. 7.2	Damage suffered in the forum	*
Domicile of the victim	Art. 7.2	Unlimited but individual	***
Place of the agreement	Art. 7.2	Damage suffered in the forum	*
Sumal: Domicile of the subsidiary	Art. 4+63+ 8.1????	Unlimited	***
VEDANTA and SHELL	Art. 4 + 63+8.1 (parent company +8.1 Subsidiary)	Unlimited	***
EFFEKTENBEZITTERS BP	Art. 7.2 +collective actions?¿?	Limited¿?	****



### Trucks: Rome II!

- Amsterdam Court in the Trucks cartel case. The court held inter alia that:
- Dutch law applies uniformly to the damage claims, even in relation to purchases that took place in other Member States
- The claims vehicles that have bundled multiple damage claims by assignment have active legitimation as the assignment contracts are valid and the rules of the new collective action regime do not apply



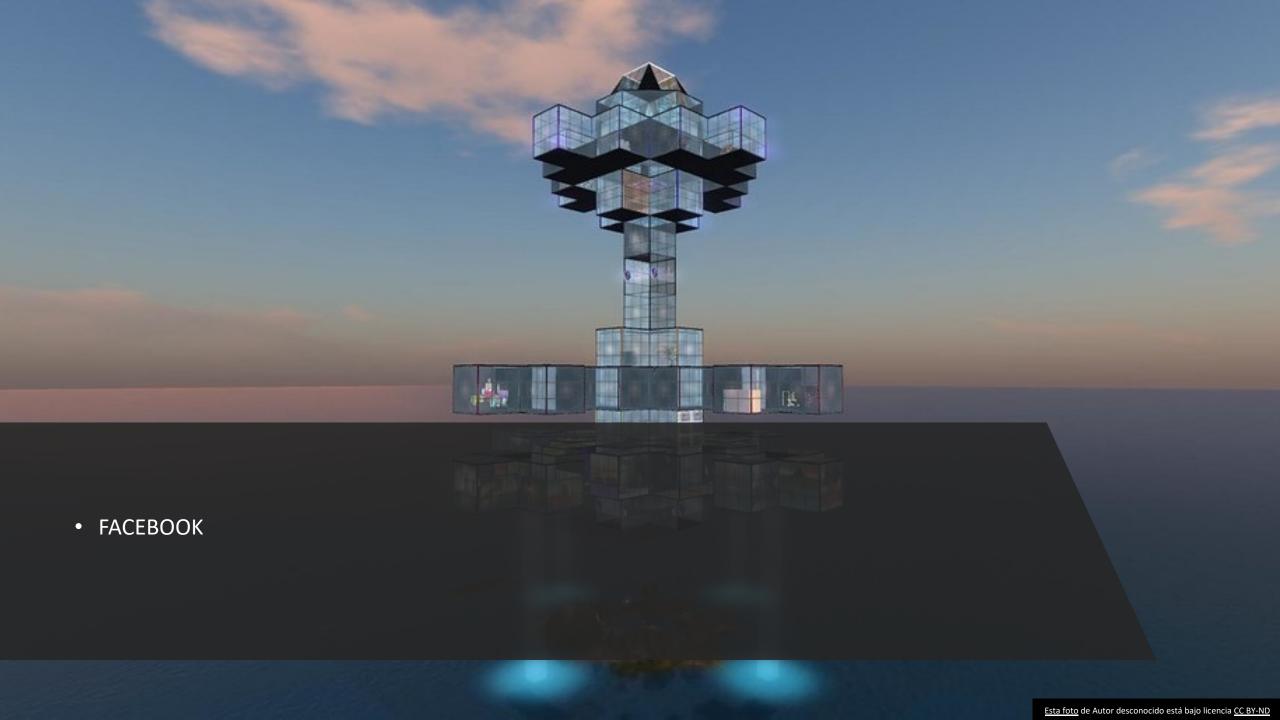
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- Assignment ok .. But
- Detail work
- Time?



## New kids in the block

- National cartels: + subsidiaries+ mothercompanies, consumers and or consumer agreement
- Digital markets related claims: consumers, abuse in the contract (FB and privacy Claims), abuse of dominance out of the contract but with forum agreements (Wikingerhof etc), stand alone and hybrid cases
- Follow on and new theories of harm (Adblue)
- Follow on for other infringements and stand alone for Competition law?
- ...





## You are a claimant unless you opt out: £2.2bn damages claim filed against Facebook owner Meta on behalf of 45m Brits











## UK Competition Appeal Tribunal certifies first opt-in class in collective proceeding

On June 8, 2022, the Competition Appeal Tribunal of the United Kingdom ("Tribunal") certified for the first time an opt-in class action pursuant to s. 47B of the Competition Act 1998. The opt-in class action was brought by the Road Haulage Association Limited ("RHA"), a trade association. In certifying the RHA's proposed action, the Tribunal refused certification of the competing opt-out class action that UK Trucks Claim Limited ("UKTC"), a special purpose vehicle established to pursue the litigation, had applied for.





## R. Kent vs. Apple: opt out + opt in

 Persons satisfying the Class Definition and who are domiciled outside the United Kingdom on the Domicile Date may opt-in to these collective proceedings via the opt in form available online at www.appstoreclaims.co.uk or by posting a letter to or emailing Epiq, the Claims Administrators appointed on behalf of the Class 5 Representative, by 9 September 2022, at the address or email address specified online at www.appstoreclaims.co.uk. R. Kent vs.
Apple:
Jurisdiction
UK?

 The First Proposed Defendant is based in the US and the Second Proposed Defendant is based in Ireland. Further, although there are a number of claims in the US which seeks redress against Apple on behalf of consumers, the US Sherman Act does not appear to apply extra-territorially so as to extend to claims of the present kind by UK consumers: see Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd v Empagran S.A. 542 US 155 (2004). Altogether, I therefore consider that the UK (and this Tribunal) is **clearly and distinctly** the appropriate forum for the trial of this claim.



#### COLLECTIVE REDRESS IN PORTUGAL

# Access to evidences, PORTUGAL, 13.7.2022



MELIÁ HOTELS INTERNACIONAL, S.A. Vs. ASSOCIAÇÃO IUS OMNIBUS,



Case 6/21.6YQSTR-A.L1



Art. 7.2 R. B I bis ok!



Disclosure



#### National follow on claims

Car cartel: jurisdiction for small Claims of harmed consumers?

- Individual Claims
- Mass Claims
- Assignment
- Collective actions

National if I apply art. 101 TFUE?

Data protection and Competition law (see Meta case..):

National in digital markets?

National if the harm is not financial but digital?

#### Solutions?

- Cooperation of NCAs in stand alone Claims?
- Access to evidences
- Clarification of binding effect of settlements and other termination tools of the authority
- Transnational collective actions
- Fast track for small claims or mass claims?
- Estimation window, H. Schweitzer

