European Battery Alliance - importance of compliance with EU competition law

Any type of cooperation between undertakings should respect EU competition rules. In particular, any form of cooperation should strive for certain principles:

- **Open access:** It should be open to all companies or organisations willing to join it, regardless of industry association.
- **Transparency:** Meetings, discussions, information exchanges and agreements reached should be well documented and minuted. Documents and minutes will be made available to the Commission, on request.
- **Necessity:** Meetings, discussions, information exchanges should be strictly limited to what is indispensable to achieve the objectives of the cooperation agreement/project.

For more information on EU competition rules, please consult the DG Competition website, and in particular the pages on the overview of antitrust rules and the applicable antitrust legislation.