The Autorité de la concurrence publishes its opinion of 1 December 2023 on two draft decrees on the codes of professional conduct for commissioners of justice and notaries

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At the request of the French government, the *Autorité de la concurrence* published an opinion on 1 December 2023 on two draft decrees on the codes of professional conduct for commissioners of justice and notaries. These draft texts are accompanied by professional rules, which complement the codes of professional conduct.

The *Autorité* reaffirms the need to harmonise the rules of professional conduct for ministerial officers, for the benefit of both professionals and users. It invites the French government and the professions to continue their discussions on this issue, and makes five sets of recommendations to increase the consistency of the rules that apply to both notaries and commissioners of justice. It also makes two sets of recommendations specific to notaries.

The codes of professional conduct, adopted by decrees issued on 28 December 2023, and the professional rules, adopted by orders issued on 29 January 2024 and 27 February 2024, only partially take up the *Autorité*'s recommendations.

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