

# Press release

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## **FöreningsSparbanken and SEB file merger notification with EU Commission**

FöreningsSparbanken (Swedbank) and SEB have filed the notification regarding the proposed merger between the two banks with the Commission of the European Communities. The Commission's formal investigation can thus commence.

The EU Commission's clearance is expected in the end of July, at the earliest. If the Commission calls for an extended investigation of the merger, a final clearance is expected in November, at the latest.

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