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The reports of various expert groups as well as the Commission’s Action Plan 2012, have acknowledged the need to facilitate the establishment, restructuring and consolidating governance of multinational corporate groups in the Common Market. In this light of thought, the Forum Europaeum on Company Groups has elaborated basic principles for a European approach regarding transnational groups. It takes into account the variety of subsidiaries regarding their size and function and thereby develops a twofold approach: A simple and clear-cut framework for smaller subsidiaries with a purely auxiliary function (‘Service Com-

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