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Reviewing major developments in the field of EC competition law and policy

Wednesday 22nd & Thursday 23rd April 2009, Hilton Paddington, London, UK

In just two-days you will debate the most significant competition law and policy issues highlighted during our extensive research.

Conference highlights:

✓ Review developments and policy issues over the past year and their practical emphasis
✓ Hear the latest on cartel enforcement, leniency and settlements
✓ Examine sector inquiries
✓ Debate state aid in times of financial crisis
✓ Explore recent merger cases from a legal and economic perspective
✓ Analyse antitrust enforcement
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✓ Debate the Commission's guidelines on Article 82
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✓ Get to grips with the Commission's policies and priorities
✓ Expand your understanding of the IP and antitrust interface

Expertly chaired by:
Day 1: Margaret Bloom, Visiting Professor, School of Law, King's College London, Senior Consultant, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, London
Day 2: Sir Christopher Bellamy QC, Senior Consultant, Linklaters LLP, London

Your distinguished panel of 24 experts includes:
Carles Esteva-Mosso, Acting Director, Competition Policy and Strategy, DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels
Flavio Laina, Head of Unit, Cartel Settlement, DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels
Guillaume Loriot, Head of Unit O2, Antitrust & Merger Case Support, DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels
Vincent Verouden, Member of Chief Economist Team, DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels
Stephen Blake, Director - Cartels, Cartels and Criminal Enforcement Group, OFT, London
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Day one: Wednesday 22nd April 2009

08:30 Registration and coffee

09:10 Chairperson's opening remarks

Margaret Bloom
Visiting Professor
School of Law, King's College London
Senior Consultant
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP, London

09:20 Major developments and policy issues over the past twelve months
- Record cartel fines - how large can they get?
- The new cartel settlement procedure - dare you use it?
- Article 82 enforcement priorities guidance - was it worth the wait?
- Commission competition policy and the financial crisis
- Pharmaceutical sector inquiry findings - shocking?
- Merger remedies notice: A new approach?
- Consultations: Regulation 1/2003 and ECMR
- Commission staff changes

Tony Reeves
Partner
Clifford Chance LLP, Brussels

10:30 Morning coffee

10:50 Cartel enforcement, leniency and settlements
- Key milestones in the EC's battle against cartels
- The leniency notice - practical issues
- Investigative measures - latest developments
- Settlements - how does it work?
- Fining guidelines - first applications of the new notice
- The role of the CFI and the ECJ
- International cooperation - managing different standards and systems
- Private enforcement - state of play

Johan Ysewyn
Partner
Linklaters LLP, Brussels

Flavio Laina
Head of Unit, Cartel Settlement
DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels

12:10 Panel discussion and Q&A: Cartels

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Akzo Nobel N.V., The Netherlands

Sean-Paul Brankin
Counsel
Crowell & Moring, Brussels

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Sector inquiries update
- Purpose of EC sector inquiries and EC Commission’s powers
- Summary of previous EC sector inquiries and outcomes
- Comparison with OFT market studies and CC market investigations
- Spotlight on Pharma inquiry - analysis of Commission’s preliminary report and next steps

Stephen Kon
Partner
SJ Berwin LLP, London & Brussels

Pharma sector findings
- Scope of Commission’s sector inquiry
- Competition in the pharmaceutical sector
- Main preliminary findings of the inquiry
  - Extent and impact of generic entry
  - Practices by originator companies affecting generic entry
  - Role of regulatory framework
- Next steps

Vincent Verouden
Member of Chief Economist Team
DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels

15:20 Panel discussion and Q&A: Sector inquiries

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SJ Berwin LLP, London & Brussels

Romano Subiotto
Partner
Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, Brussels

15:55 Afternoon tea

16:15 State aid in times of financial crisis
- The Commission's reaction and the specific rules enacted
  - General principles
  - October 2008 Communication and implementing cases
  - Temporary framework for state aid measures to support access to finance
- What about the role of national courts?
- What is coming next?

Jacques Derenne
Partner
Lovells LLP, Brussels
Associate Professor
University of Liege

17:00 Final comments and panel discussion
- Final debate on key cartel issues and sector inquiries
- Future challenges

Key speakers of the day will be joined by:
Robert O'Donoghue
Barrister
Brick Court Chambers, London

Vincent Smith
Partner
Cohen, Milstein, Hausfeld & Toll LLP, London

Elizabeth McKnight
Partner
Herbert Smith, London

17:40 Close of the day

17:50 – 20:00 Drinks reception

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Day two: Thursday 23rd April 2009

08:30 Registration and coffee

09:10 Chairperson’s opening remarks

Sir Christopher Bellamy QC
Senior Consultant
Linklaters LLP, London

09:20 EU mergers control
• Discussing recent case and policy developments

Guillaume Loriot
Head of Unit O2, Antitrust & Merger Case Support
DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels

10:05 Review of the year’s merger cases
• Case statistics and trends
• Merger control in the economic downturn - failing and flailing firms, state aid interaction
• Jurisdictional issues - review of the Merger Regulation
• Non-Horizontal mergers - Google/Double-Click, TomTom/TeleAtlas, Nokia/Navteq
• Merger control in the courts - Sony/BMG

Simon Priddis
Partner
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London

10:50 Morning coffee

11:10 Developments in economic analysis in merger control
• Assessing unilateral effects in practice; what are the key economic principles? How does the Commission’s practice measure up?
• Assessing non-horizontal mergers in practice; what are the key economic principles? How does the Commission’s practice measure up?
• The changing role of the CET
• The assessment of economic evidence in practice

Simon Bishop
Partner
RBB Economics, London & Brussels

11:40 Panel discussion: Mergers
Panellists include:
Simon Bishop
Partner
RBB Economics, London & Brussels

Josh Holmes
Barrister
Monckton Chambers, London

Cristina Caffarra
Vice President
CRA International, London & Brussels

Simon Priddis
Partner
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London

Simon Pritchard
Partner
Allen & Overy LLP, London
(former Senior Director of Mergers, OFT)

12:30 Lunch

14:00 Article 82 priority guidelines
• Highlighting key issues and priorities going forward

Carles Esteva-Mosso
Acting Director, Competition Policy and Strategy
DG Competition, European Commission, Brussels

15:00 IP/antitrust interface
• Areas of tension between EC competition law and IP
• Dynamic efficiency and EC competition law / is an innovation defence possible under EC competition law?
• Review of recent / pending cases in the high-tech industry (Microsoft, Rambus, and Qualcomm) with a particular on the following issues:
  - Compulsory licensing
  - Patent ambush
  - The determination of Fair, Reasonable and Non-Discriminatory (FRAND) licensing terms
• The pharmaceutical inquiry

Damien Geradin
Partner
Howrey LLP, Brussels
Professor of Competition Law & Economics
Tilburg University

15:45 Final panel discussion and Q&A
• Final debate on merger issues, state aid and Article 82 guidelines
• Future challenges and trends

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Cristina Caffarra
Vice President
CRA International, London & Brussels

John Kallaugher
Partner
Latham & Watkins LLP, Brussels

Brian Sher
Partner
Nabarro LLP, London

Simon Pritchard
Partner
Allen & Overy LLP, London
(former Senior Director of Mergers, OFT)

16:30 Close of conference

“Cutting edge topics and excellent speakers. A great way to update oneself on developments over the past year!”
(Past Delegate EU Law Series, Coca Cola)

“This was a very useful up-to-date and informative conference with a very high standard of presenters!”
(Past Delegate EU Law Series, KPMG)
The last months have been particularly interesting with the coming into effect of the settlements notice and the publication of the results of the pharmaceutical sector inquiry and the Commission’s guidelines on Article 82. The Commission has again been vigorous in its battle against cartels and, in the context of unilateral conduct, has published its long awaited enforcement guidelines. The impact of these developments on companies and their advisors will be the central theme of this invaluable conference.

Guiding you through the conference will be Sir Christopher Bellamy QC and Margaret Bloom.

A further 20 leading competition law experts from diverse backgrounds have been assembled to discuss and analyse critical developments and practical challenges.

Key areas of focus will be:

- A review of crucial events and policy issues 2008 - 2009
- Cartel enforcement, leniency and settlements
- The Commission’s priorities and future policies
- Sector inquires
- Mergers and joint venture
- Recent merger cases from a legal and economic perspective
- Commission’s guidelines on Article 82
- Antitrust enforcement
- State aid in times of financial crisis
- IP and competition law issues

Through provocative, relevant and timely debates and information sharing, this high-level conference will provide you with a thorough update and crucial practical tools to master legal complexities and carve out essential business opportunities.

The two day conference will mainly comprise plenary and panel sessions to encourage feedback and interaction with the audience.

Key benefits of attending:

- Review the most crucial developments in EC competition law and policy to ensure best services
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- Engage in lively and provocative debates
- Obtain cutting-edge advice and insights on crucial legal incidents
- Debate current contentious topics to stay ahead of the game
- Embrace and discuss best practice and compliance strategies
- Prepare for problem areas to avoid pitfalls
- Exchange ideas to shape the industry
- Top-up your CPD hours
- Take home practical advice and comprehensive conference documentation

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- In-house counsel
- Consulting economists
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- National competition and regulation authorities

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