

Media Advisory

European Competition Day

31 May 2018

Agenda

31 May 2018 | Thursday

9:00 – 9:30 Arrivals at Boyana Residence

10:00 – 10:30 Welcome and opening remarks

Moderator: Dimitar Kyumyurdzhiev, Deputy Chairman of the Bulgarian Commission on

Protection of Competition

Speakers:

Julia Nenkova, Chairperson of the Bulgarian Commission on Protection of Competition Tsveta Karayancheva, Chairperson of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria

Tomislav Donchev, Deputy Prime Minister Emil Karanikolov, Minister of Economy

10:30 – 11:00 Keynote speech

Margrethe Vestager, European Commissioner for Competition

11:30 – 13:00 ECN+ Directive: what will the plus bring?

Moderator: Prof. Pinar Akman, Director of Centre for Business Law and Practice, University of Leeds

Speakers:

Konstantina Strouvali, Deputy Head of Unit A/4 European Competition Network and

Private Enforcement, DG Competition, European Commission

Prof. em. Dr Jacques Steenbergen, President, Belgian Competition Authority

Dr Natalie Harsdorf, Deputy Managing Director of the Austrian Competition Authority

Dr Gunnar Kallfass, Head of Unit "German and European Antitrust Law",

Bundeskartellamt, Germany

Gianluca Sepe, Head of Unit - EU Affairs, Italian Competition Authority



14:00 – 15:30 Competition in energy markets: the way to ensure affordable and secure supplies for all consumers

Moderator: Teresa Moreira, Head of Competition and Consumer Policies Branch, UNCTAD

Speakers:

Dr Antonio Gomes, Head of Competition Division, OECD

Alexander Gee, Deputy Head of Unit B/1 Antitrust Energy, Environment, DG

Competition, European Commission

Dimitar Kyumyurdzhiev, Deputy Chairman of the Bulgarian Commission on Protection

of Competition

Albert Riera, Senior Economist, Compass Lexecon

Daniel Colgan, Partner, DLA Piper

16:00 – 17:30 Fixing the damages – expected effects of the application of the Damages Directive

Moderator: Ms Michaela Nosa, Director of Legal, Legislative and International Relations Division, Antimonopoly Office of the Slovak Republic

Speakers:

Prof. Damien Gerard, College of Europe and University of Louvain, Director, Global Competition Law Center

Roberto Chieppa, Secretary General, Italian Competition Authority

Andrea Hamilton, Partner, McDermott Will & Emery Nadine Watson, Senior Vice President, Compass Lexecon

17:30 Closing remarks

Julia Nenkova, Chairperson of the Bulgarian Commission on Protection of Competition

Information for journalists

Accredited journalists can pick up their badges on 31 May 2018 from 8:30 a.m. from the entrance at Boyana Residence. Journalists will be able to access the meeting room during the welcome and opening remarks and the keynote speech by Commissioner Vestager (10:00-11:00). Following that, journalists will be able to use the working space in the press centre at the National Palace of Culture. The proceedings of the day will be streamed live on the website of the Bulgarian Commission for the Protection of Competition http://scf.cpc.bg/. No press conference is foreseen at this point.



Photos and videos

Throughout the day, photos and videos will be uploaded in the <u>Photo</u> and <u>Video</u> sections of the Website. All official photos from the event are also available for download in high resolution on the <u>Flickr</u> account of the Bulgarian Presidency. Videos can be downloaded from <u>Vimeo</u>.

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