



**The
Interdisciplinary Centre
for Competition Law
and Policy (ICC)
& Baker McKenzie**

Annual Conference 2018
**Trends and Developments
in Global Competition Law**

Friday, 4 May 2018 | The Hotel, Boulevard de Waterloo 38, 1000 Brussels

This conference offers a unique forum for exchanging ideas and discussing recent developments in competition law across the globe. It brings together leading figures in the field from around the world including judges, competition officials, academics, in-house counsel and private practitioners. The conference combines the policy perspective of the London-based Interdisciplinary Centre for Competition Law and Policy (ICC) with the practical experience of the international law firm Baker McKenzie.

This will be a one-day event, with four major areas of focus: **international merger control; international cartel enforcement; competition law enforcement in the Middle East; and abuse of dominance**. Our aim on this occasion is to bring to our audience a comprehensive update of recent developments related to these topics which will be presented in an analytical and thought-provoking way by a high-level panel of speakers from around the globe. All of the topics will be illustrated by practical examples drawn from recent cases taken from Egypt, the EU, France, Germany, Saudi Arabia, the UK, US and other competition law regimes.

Programme

8.45-9.15	Registration and coffee
9.15-9.30	Introduction and welcome by conference chairmen Eyad Maher Dabbah (ICC) and Werner Berg (Baker McKenzie)
9.30	International merger control Chair: Frank Montag, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer Speakers: Hanna Anttilainen, Head of Unit, DG Competition, European Commission; Etienne Chantrel, Head of Mergers, French Competition Authority; Susan Hinchliffe, Global Executive Counsel - Competition Law & Policy, General Electric Company
	Discussion topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Foreign investment rules and public interest remedies; do they impede merger control?New developments regarding the innovation theory of harm.Procedural flexibility in merger procedures - is it all about managing deadlines?
11.00-11.15	Coffee break
11.15	International cartel enforcement Chair: Anthony Collins, Judge, General Court of the European Union Speakers: Corinne Dussart-Lefret, Head of Unit, DG Competition, European; Ioannis Kokkoris, Professor, ICC, Queen Mary University of London; Craig Lee, Partner, Baker McKenzie
	Discussion topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none">The concept of "single and continuous infringements" and its practical implicationsE-collusion and algorithms, Adam Smith for the new economy?Employee "no-poach" agreements, a new focus for antitrust prosecution
12.45	Business lunch

14.00	<p>Competition Law enforcement in the Middle East</p> <p>Chair: Eyad Maher Dabbah, Director and Professor, ICC, Queen Mary University of London</p> <p>Keynote remarks: Frédéric Jenny, Chairman, OECD Competition Committee; Professor, ESSEC Business School, Paris</p> <p>Speakers: Mona El-Garf, Chairperson, Egyptian Competition Authority; David Monnier, Partner, Baker McKenzie</p>
	<p>Discussion topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The prohibition of cartel behaviour: is there sufficient deterrence?▪ Abusive dominance as a major area of focus: controversies, limitations and priorities▪ Recent enforcement trends in Egypt
15.30-15.45	Coffee break
15.45	<p>Abuse of dominance</p> <p>Chair: José Luís da Cruz Vilaça, Judge, Court of Justice of the European Union</p> <p>Speakers: Manuel Kellerbauer, Member, Legal Service, European Commission; Silke Hossenfelder, Director, Head of 9th Decision Division, Bundeskartellamt; Bill Batchelor, Partner, Baker McKenzie</p>
	<p>Discussion topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ The lawfulness of rebates post Intel - have we learned anything practical?▪ Exploitative abuses: The new interest in discrimination and excessive pricing▪ The impact of Contact Software and Swiss Watches: will aftermarket complaints ever be successful?
17.15-17.30	Conclusions and reflections
17.30	Reception

Accreditation

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