

Rebooting Competition Policy?

What the 'new approach' means for mergers and antitrust

11 March 2025

Sparks, Rue Ravenstein 60, Brussels

- 13:00-13:45 Registration and coffee
- 13:45-14:00 Welcome remarks
- 14:00-15:00 Reforming Merger Control to Boost Competitiveness and Growth?
Speakers:
Michele Piergiovanni, Acting Director, DG Competition
Mike Walker, Chief Economic Advisor, CMA
Stéphane Dewulf, Partner, Oxera
Moderator:
Nicole Kar, Partner and Global Co-Chair Antitrust Practice, Paul, Weiss
- 15:00- 16:00 Navigating the 'New Approach' to Competition Policy: National Enforcers' Perspectives
Speakers:
Martijn Snoep, Chairman, Dutch Competition Authority
Natalie Harsdorf, Director General, Austrian Competition Authority
Saverio Valentino, Board Member, Italian Antitrust Authority
Damien Gérard, Prosecutor General, Belgian Competition Authority
Moderator:
Nicholas Hirst, Chief Correspondent, EU Competition, MLex
- 16:00- 16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30- 17:00 An interview with the new Chief Economist
Speaker: Emanuele Tarantino, Chief Economist, DG Competition
Moderator: Giulio Federico, Partner, Oxera
- 17:00- 18:00 Article 102 Reform: Towards a 'Workable' Effects-Based Approach?
Speakers:
Linsey McCallum, Deputy Director-General Antitrust and Regulation of Digital Platforms, DG Competition
Anna Marcoulli, Chamber President, General Court of the EU
Ief Daems, Associate General Counsel, Legal Director Competition Law EMEA, Cisco
Giulio Federico, Partner, Oxera
Moderator:
Lewis Crofts, Editor-at-Large, MLex
- 18:00- 18:45 Fireside Chat: US Antitrust at a Crossroads
Speakers:
William E. Kovacic, Professor of Global Competition Law and Policy, George Washington University
Eytayo "Tee" St. Matthew-Daniel, Partner and Deputy Co-Chair Antitrust Practice, Paul, Weiss
- 18:45 Cocktail reception

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