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**The Interdisciplinary Centre for Competition
Law and Policy (ICC) and Baker & McKenzie
Annual Conference 2016**
**Trends and Developments in Global
Competition Law**

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Overview

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 real world experience of the international law firm Baker & McKenzie.

Format and Content

This will be a one-day event, with four major areas of focus: **international merger control; information exchange; international cartel enforcement; and the e-commerce sector inquiry**. 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 China, EU, France, Germany, Spain, UK, US and other competition law regimes.

The issues to be addressed are:

International merger control

- Impact of international cooperation: procedure; substance and remedies
- Economic and evidentiary underpinnings of merger decisions
- Procedural highlights: deadline extensions; incompleteness decisions; investigations re data accuracy

Information exchange

- Information exchange distinguishable from cartels?
- IT-facilitated concerted practices
- Information exchange in the merger context

International cartel enforcement

- Dawn raids - practice and developments
- Role of intermediaries and facilitators
- Impact of whistle blower portals

The E-commerce sector inquiry

- What future for selective distribution?
- Active versus passive sales: obsolete in the online world?
- Online versus offline pricing: regulatory rigidity or commercial flexibility?



Programme

Friday, 9 September 2016

The Hotel, Boulevard de Waterloo 38, 1000 Brussels

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**
John Davies, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
Speakers: Stephan Simon, Senior Expert Mergers; Deputy
Head of Unit, DG Competition, European Commission;
Ethel Fonseca, Principal, RBB Economics; Bao Zhi,
Representative, Baker & McKenzie FenXun (FTZ) Joint
Operation Office

11.00-11.15: Coffee break

11.15: **Information exchange**
Chair: Eugene Buttigieg, Judge, European Union General
Court
Speakers: Christoph Leibenath, Senior Antitrust Counsel,
Nestlé SA; Cani Fernández, Partner, Cuatrecasas,
Gonçalves Pereira; Christian Horstkotte, Partner, Baker &
McKenzie

12.45: Business lunch

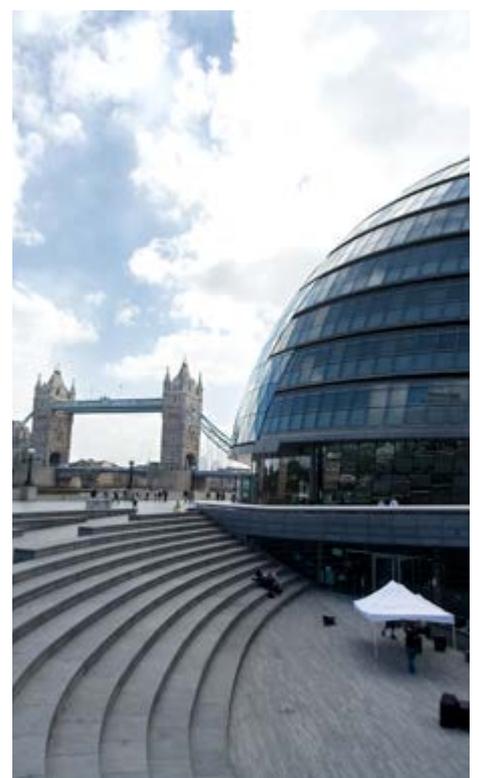
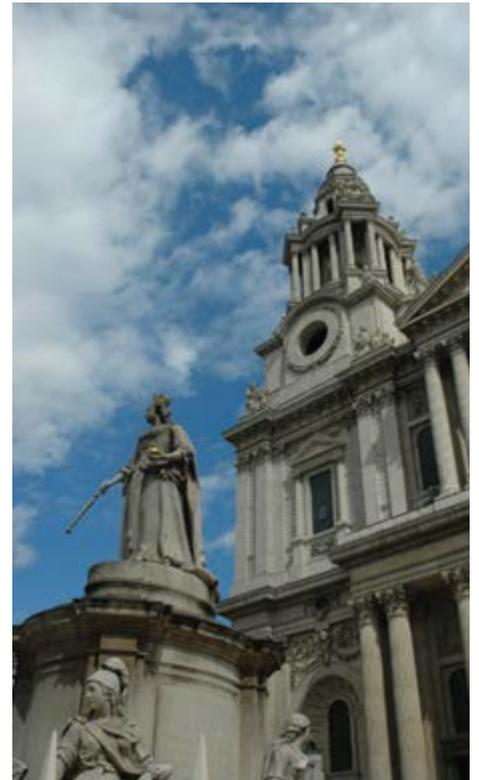
14.00: **International cartel enforcement**
Chair: Vivien Rose, Judge, High Court of Justice
Speakers: Zsuzsanna Jambor, Head of Unit, DG
Competition, European Commission; Konrad Ost, Vice
President, Bundeskartellamt; Jacquelyn MacLennan,
Partner, White & Case

15.30-15.45: Coffee break

15.45: **The E-commerce sector inquiry: status quo or watershed?**
Chair: Fiona Carlin, Partner, Baker & McKenzie
Speakers: Svend Albaek, Deputy Chief Economist, DG
Competition, European Commission; Ute Mockel, Judge,
Higher Regional Court (Oberlandesgericht) Frankfurt/M.;
Cynthia Sanfilippo, Director Public Affairs, L'Oréal

17.15-17.30: **Conclusions and reflections**

17.30: Reception



The ICC and Baker & McKenzie

The Interdisciplinary Centre for Competition Law and Policy (ICC)

The Interdisciplinary Centre for Competition Law and Policy (ICC) is a centre of excellence led by Eyad Maher Dabbah that delivers world-class work in the field of competition law and policy. The ICC conducts research and offers training to judges, lawyers, business people and enforcement officials in the field of competition law. The ICC's mission is to:

- Build a strong, broad-based and well-informed competition law community
- Engage in competition advocacy and internationally recognised scholarship
- Deliver innovative training and consultancy to meet the needs and expectations of lawyers, economists, policy-makers, competition enforcement bodies, judges and business people

The ICC offers internationally-recognised PhD and (taught and distance learning) LLM programmes in competition law and policy (in addition to a strong undergraduate option in EU and UK competition law) as well as an impressive programme of shorter courses including training courses and a highly successful annual summer school in competition law. Since its inauguration in 2006, the ICC has welcomed hundreds of participants to these courses in London; hundreds more (mainly judges, lawyers, economists and policy-makers from over 35 countries) have benefited from training given in different parts of the world.

Among the current major projects undertaken within the ICC is its Middle East Initiative, which was launched on 1 January 2009 and comes to develop competition law and policy in this important region of the world.

The ICC also publishes a high quality, refereed student journal, the ICC Global Antitrust Review (GAR).

For further information on the ICC and its activities, visit: www.icc.qmul.ac.uk

The School of Law

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Queen Mary University of London

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Baker & McKenzie

Baker & McKenzie is a global law firm with 12,000 people in 77 offices worldwide. With over 300 lawyers and professionals in over 41 countries, Baker & McKenzie's Global Antitrust and Competition Group is the largest competition practices in the world – and one with the broadest reach. Baker & McKenzie has in-depth experience in the full spectrum of competition law such as dawn raids, cartel investigations and follow-on litigation, multijurisdictional merger control, distribution strategies, dominance, state aid and general antitrust compliance.

Baker & McKenzie's lawyers are recognized by Global Directories in more countries than any other global law firm. For instance Baker & McKenzie's Global Antitrust and Competition Group is ranked in "The Top 5 Global Elite", in the world's top competition practices, for our 'ability to field quality teams in antitrust hot spots around the world' according to Global Competition Review. For more information about Baker & McKenzie visit www.bakermckenzie.com

Accreditation

The conference has been recognised as constituting vocational training by the Orde van Vlaamse Balies and the Ordre des Barreaux Francophones et Germanophones de Belgique. Participants will be credited six points of vocational training for their participation.

Participants with the relevant qualification will be credited six CPD points by the Law Society and the Bar Standards Board of the Bar Council (England and Wales).

Notes

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