## Private Enforcement of Competition Law Conference

31 March 2022 Le Châtelain Brussels Hotel Brussels, Belgium

## 2022 PRIVATE ENFORCEMENT OF COMPETITION LAW AGENDA - 31/03/2022

#### Registration & Refreshments

08:30 - 09:00

#### Morning Chair's Welcome and Introduction

09:00 - 09:10

#### **Participants**

**Boris Bronfentrinker** - Partner, Willkie Farr Gallagher LLP (UK)

#### Judges' Roundtable

09:10 - 09:55 National Developments

#### **Participants**

Mr Justice Marcus Smith - President, Competition Appeal Tribunal (CAT) & Judge, Chancery Division, High Court (UK)

**Judge Stefan Molin** - Judge, Netherlands Commercial Court of Appeal (The Netherlands)

**Judge Gerhard Klumpe** - Presiding Judge, District Court of Dortmund (Germany)

#### Review of National Developments Across 6 Key Jurisdictions

09:55 - 11:25

National Developments

- Review of key cases across 6 key jurisdictions:
  - Netherlands
  - Germany
  - UK
  - Spain
  - ItalyPoland
- Forum shopping: practical differences in litigating in different jurisdictions
- What are the different approaches taken by judges across Europe, including implications for case management and cross border exchanges between the courts?

#### **Participants**

Rick Cornelissen - Partner, Houthoff (The Netherlands)

**Dorothy Hansberry-Biegunska** - Partner, Hansberry Tomkiel (Poland)

Thomas Funke - Partner, Osborne Clarke (Germany)

**Rino Caiazzo** - Founding Partner, Caiazzo Donnini Pappalardo & Associati (Italy)

Kim Dietzel - Partner, Herbert Smith Freehills LLP (UK)

**Paul Hitchings -** Managing Partner, Hitchings & Co (Spain)

#### **Morning Coffee Break**

11:25 - 11:50 National Developments

#### Approaches to Quantification of Damages

11:50 - 12:30

Economic Perspectives

- Review of the latest developments in economic methodology
- Recent judgments and how are the judges are approaching estimation of quantum? How do the courts approach conflicting expert opinions? How are the courts estimating damages?
- · The role of court appointed experts
- The role of economic experts in carriage disputes
- Under what circumstances can the judges in some jurisdictions award damages when a Court expert concludes that there are no damages?

#### **Participants**

Julia Dietrich - Director, Frontier Economics (Germany)

**Hans-Petter H. Hanson** - Economist, Chief Economist Team, EFTA Surveillance Authority (EFTA)

**Lumine van Uden** - Senior Associate, Houthoff (The Netherlands)

#### Collective or Class Actions and Claim Aggregation: Developments across Europe

12:30 - 13:15

Significant Case Law Developments

- How should claims be bundled? Policy and regulatory issues
- Review of recent judgements in the Netherlands and Germany on collective actions, claims aggregation, bundled claims and SPVs bringing actions
- UK developments carriage dispute certification
- Is there a pan-European class action system following the Damages Directive?
- Is it possible to shoehorn other cases, outside competition law, into the system?
- How best to manage a case, conduct the damages assessment for etc in such large cases?
- How best to deal with parallel, maybe even conflicting legal actions across Europe?

#### **Participants**

Mark Sansom - Joint Head – Global Antitrust Litigation Group, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP (UK)

Borbála Dux-Wenzel - Partner, Luther (Germany)

**Helmut Brokelmann** - Partner, MLAB Abogados, S.L.P. (Spain)

#### **Networking Lunch**

13:15 - 14:15

Significant Case Law Developments

### Parental Liability: Lessons Learnt from Sumal and Other Significant Cases

14:15 - 15:00

Significant Case Law Developments

- Lessons learnt from recent cases including Sumal, Skanska and Goldman Sachs for upwards and downwards liability
- Is there a tension between reconciling European competition law focusing on 'an undertaking'/'economic unit' and national civil liability regimes based on separate legal entities?
- · Implications for choice of jurisdiction
- Will the judgement have an impact on how corporates' structure themselves?

#### **Participants**

**Sergio Baches Opi** - Legal Service (Competition Team), European Commission (EU)

Maria Pérez Carrillo - Partner, Cuatrecasas (Spain)

Claudio Tesauro - Partner, BonelliErede (Belgium)

#### **Disclosure Developments**

15:00 - 15:45

Significant Case Law Developments

- How are the courts approaching disclosure both at private level and public level in terms of mechanisms like leniency or settlements?
- Disclosure developments across Europe including confidentiality rings
- · The role of economists within disclosure
- · What lessons can Europe learn from US?

#### **Participants**

**Vivien Terrien** - Référendaire, European Court of Justice (EU)

**Arantzazu Golderos** - Policy Officer DG COMP, European Commission (EU)

**Stefaan Raes** - Partner, Liedekerke Wolters Waelbroeck Kirkpatrick (Belgium)

#### **Afternoon Coffee Break**

15:45 - 16:05

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## **SESSIONS**

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### Big Tech Cases: What are the Opportunities for Damages?

16:05 - 16:55 Big Tech & Private Enforcement

- Review of competition claims against big tech: abuse of dominance and unfair trading practices claims
- · How are the Courts receiving big tech cases?
- Economic perspectives on big tech cases: how is the approach different to cartel cases?
- What is the interplay between Article 102 cases and consumer protection? Is competition law being used to deal with big tech cases as it is so flexible?

#### **Participants**

Michelle Clark - Partner, Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP (UK)

Kayvan Hazemi-Jebelli - Competition & Regulatory Counsel, Computer & Communications Industry Association (CCIA) (Belgium)

Ben Lasserson - Partner, Mishcon de Reya (UK)

**Assimakis Komninos** - Partner, White and Case LLP (Be**l**gium)

### Practical Strategies for Claimants and Defendants

16:55 - 17:40 Practical Considerations

- · How to select the best venue to bring the claim?
- The balance between private and public enforcement. Immunity from damages for leniency applicants?
- Settlements: how to start the process?

#### **Participants**

**Robert Bäuerle** - Senior Legal Counsel, Deutsche Bahn AG (Germany)

**Martin Seegers** - Director, Cartel Damage Claims (Belgium)

**Dominique Speekenbrink** - Senior Vice President – Chief Counsel Litigation & Non-Core, ABB Asea Brown Boveri Ltd (Switzerland)

**Moderator:: Elizabeth Morony** - Partner, Clifford Chance LLP (UK)

#### Chair's Closing Remarks & Close of Conference

17:40 - 17:45 Practical Considerations