
Workshop on Competition and regulation in markets for goods and services

September 2nd 2015:

*Université libre de Bruxelles 42, avenue Roosevelt – 1050
Brussels Building SBS-EM Solvay Brussels School of Economics – Room: R42.2.113*

BACKGROUND ON COEURE:

The COEURE Coordination Action (which stands for COoperation for EUropean Research in Economics) brings together the key stakeholders in the European economic research space – funders, policy-makers and researchers – in a process of stocktaking, consultation and stakeholder collaboration. The aim of this process is to identify the knowledge gaps on key EU economic policy issues and assess the current challenges and opportunities facing European-based researchers, with the ultimate goal to inform the European agenda for research funding. It is funded by the European Commission and carried out under the initiative of the European Economic Association. More info at www.coeure.eu

OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP:

This workshop, devoted to “Competition and regulation in markets for goods and services”, is one of twelve thematic workshops organized by COEURE as part of its stockholding exercise. It will bring together a small group of high level scholars as well as high level policy-makers and other stakeholders to discuss the research frontier in these areas. The workshop will focus on policy experience and policy challenges in competition and regulation, with the objectives to form a grounded view on the role of scientific advice in EU policy decision-making and identify knowledge gaps, and document and discuss the state of European research on these themes and the challenges and opportunities facing European-based researchers.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Marc Ivaldi (Toulouse School of Economics, marc.ivaldi@tse-fr.eu), Nikolaus Vettas (Athens University of Economics and Business, nvettas@aueb.gr) and Frode Steen (Norwegian School of Economics, Frode.Steen@nhh.no)

Registration is free but compulsory. To maximize interactions, attendance is limited to 50 people on a first-come first-served basis. Contact Bente Hoddevik Ulvestad at Bente.Ulvestad@nhh.no to register.



PROGRAM

09H30 – 09H45: INTRODUCTION

Frode Steen (Professor, Norwegian School of Economics)

Philippe Keraudren (European Commission, DG RTD)

09H45 – 10H45: COMPETITION AND REGULATION IN MARKETS FOR GOODS AND SERVICES: THE SCIENTIFIC STATE OF THE ART

Chair: **Marc Ivaldi**, (Professor, Toulouse School of Economics)

Nikolaos Vettas (Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business)

10H45 – 11H15 COMMENTS FROM RESEARCH

Yossi Spiegel (Professor, Tel Aviv University)

11H15 – 11H30: *Coffee break*

11H30 – 12H00: COMMENTS FROM POLICY

Lars Sjørgard (Chief Economist Norwegian Competition Authorities and Professor, Norwegian School of Economics)

12H00 – 12H30: Q&A FROM AUDIENCE

12H30 – 13H30: *Lunch break*

13H30 – 15H00: THE ECONOMIST BETWEEN THE LAWYER AND THE DECISION MAKER: HOW TO BRIDGE THE GAPS?

Chair: **Christian Schultz**, (Professor, University of Copenhagen)

Damien Neven (Professor, The Graduate Institute Geneva)

Miguel de la Mano (Head of Economic Analysis of Financial Markets at DG Internal Market, Professor Brussels School of Competition)

James S. Venit (Partner, Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, Brussels)

Jérôme Philippe (Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP)

15H00 – 16H00: COMPETITION POLICY IN INTERNATIONAL DIGITAL MARKETS

Chair: **Jan Bouckaert**, (Professor, University of Antwerp)

Bruno Alomar (Managing Director, New Horizon Partners)

Jacques Crémer (Professor, Toulouse School of Economics)



16H00 – 16H15: *Coffee break*

16H15 – 17H30: **ROUNDTABLE: HOW HAS IO RESEARCH CONTRIBUTED TO POLICY AND PRACTICE**

Chair: **Svend Albæk**, (Coordinator Antitrust, DG Comp)

Kai-Uwe Kühn (Professor, University of Michigan)

Peter Davies (Executive Vice President, Compass Lexecon)

Tomaso Duso (Professor, German Institute for Economic Research, DIW Berlin)

17H30 – 18H00: Cocktail

20H00: Dinner (by invitation)