

# ICC GLOBAL COMPETITION COMMISSION

ICC Conference "Antitrust Enforcement: Between

# **Globalisation and Deglobalisation**"

21 July 2023, Tokyo, in-person only.

Venue: JOSUI Kaikan, 2-1-1 Hitotsubashi Chiyoda-ku Tokyo,

# Japan

8:15-8:45	Registration and coffee
8:45-9:00	Welcome remarks by François Brunet, Chair of the Global Competition Commission
9:00-9:15	Opening keynote: Chairman Kazuyuki Furuya (Japan Fair Trade Commission)
9:15-10:45	Panel 1: Sustainability and competition law  ICC: Paola Pugliese (Head of Practice – Antitrust & Competition, Lefosse)  Rattakrai Limsiritrakul (Head of Investment & International Transactions,  SCG Limited – invited) [other speakers from the private sector or practice]  Agencies: Kenta Suzuki (Senior Planning Officer of Coordination Division,  JFTC), Sophie Moonen (DG COMP), [representatives of other agencies]

- Is the cooperation among competitors needed in order to support the fight against climate change?
- Are competition policies chilling companies' initiatives to transition to a sustainable economy? ICC's White Paper « When Chilling Contributes to Warming » names 12 real life examples of cooperations which have been abandoned for fear of competition law enforcement.
- What do competition authorities need to do to avoid standing in the way of cooperations among competitors for legitimate sustainable goals?
- Is the fear of greenwashing polluting the discussion?

10:45 – 11h:15 Coffee break

#### 11:15-12:45 Panel 2: Enforcement in the digital sector

<u>ICC</u>: Alex Nourry (Partner, Clifford Chance), Susan Ning (Partner, King & Wood Mallesons), Stavroula Vryna (Partner, Clifford Chance), Masayuki Atsumi (Partner, Miura & Partners)

<u>Agencies</u>: Benoît Coeuré (President, FCA), [representatives of other agencies]

- Is there a future for ex post antitrust enforcement on behaviours in the Tech sector, in a world of increasing ex ante digital regulation? What are the key enforcement lessons from other regulated sectors?
- What role should international cooperation play in achieving effective digital regulation and enforcement in the Tech sector?
- How to ensure privacy and security for users while making Tech markets open and contestable as well as enhancing innovation, including through the use of Al?
- Comparative look at regulatory and enforcement trends in the EU, [Australia], France, [China] and Japan.

#### 12:45 – 14:00 **Lunch**

### 14:00 – 15:30 Panel 3: Harmonisation in merger control

ICC: François Brunet, Chair of the Global Competition Commission, Yusuke Nakano (Partner, Anderson Mori & Tomotsune), Irene de Angelis (Group Head of Antitrust Affairs, Intesa Sanpaolo), Gönenç Gürkaynak (Partner, Elig Law Firm), John Oxenham (Director, Primerio International)

Agencies: Benoît Coeuré (President, FCA), Saiko Nakajima (Senior Officer for Mergers and Acquisitions, JFTC), Sophie Moonen (DG COMP),

[representatives of other agencies]

- Would it be possible to adopt a common concept of reportable merger (change of control over a business activity) – ICC Recommendations 1 to 3
- Notification thresholds: how to achieve a better balance through efficient self-assessment – ICC Recommendations 4 to 6
- Funding Antitrust Agencies: the issue of filing fees ICC Recommendation 8
- Gun jumping fines: a true deterrent that needs consistency across jurisdictions ICC Recommendations 10 and 11

## 15:30 --16:00 **Coffee break**

16:00 – 17:30 Panel 4: Issues around Subsidy and State aid from a global perspective

ICC: Patrick Hubert (Partner, Orrick), Liu Cheng (King & Wood Mallesons - invited), Masahiro Heike (Partner, Nishimura & Asahi)

Agencies: Sophie Moonen (DG COMP), [representatives of other agencies]

- Introducing the EU Foreign Subsides Regulation (FSR), including inputs on European Union State aid rules and Member States funding mechanisms).
- How the FSR is seen by other jurisdictions and businesses?
- Is the EU Foreign Subsidies Regulation trade friendly? How the FSR can be implemented to avoid putting too much burden on businesses while achieving its policy objectives.
- How other jurisdictions are addressing subsidies that distort the market?
   What challenges are they facing?
- Treacherous waters ahead in the global playing field?

## 17:30 – 17:45 Closing keynote: President Benoît Coeuré (Autorité de la concurrence)

Recap and principles enforcers and practitioners have to bear in mind