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**TOWARDS AN OPTIMAL ENFORCEMENT OF
COMPETITION RULES IN EUROPE – TIME FOR A
REVIEW OF REGULATION 1/2003?**

11 & 12 JUNE 2009

HILTON HOTEL, 38 BOULEVARD DE WATERLOO – BRUSSELS



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

DAY ONE

9:00 **Welcome words and introduction**
Jacques Bourgeois, *President of the GCLC*

9:10 **Presentation of the conference**
Massimo Merola, *Co-director of the conference*

KEYNOTE SPEECH – LESSONS FROM SEVEN YEARS AT THE HELM OF DG COMP IN PARTICULAR AS REGARDS THE ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM

9:25 **Philip Lowe**, *Director General, DG Competition*

9:45 **Coffee break**

I. MORNING SESSION

CHAIR: Jacques Bourgeois, *President of the GCLC*

THE DIRECTLY APPLICABLE EXCEPTION SYSTEM AND THE DIRECT APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE 81(3) EC

10:00 **Speaker: Bernard van de Walle de Ghelcke**, *Of Counsel, Linklaters*

10:30 **Discussant: Ben Smulders**, *Director, Legal Service, European Commission*

10:50 **Roundtable discussion**
Eric Gippini-Fournier, *Member of the Legal Service, European Commission*

Prof. Ioannis Lianos, *University College London*

Christophe Humpe, *SJ Berwin LLP*

Prof. Nicolas Petit, *University of Liege (ULg), Howrey LLP*

11:20 **Q&A session**

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EC COMPETITION LAW AND NATIONAL COMPETITION LAW

11h30: **Speakers: Eric Morgan de Rivery**, *Partner, Jones Day*

Filippo Amato, *Associate, Jones Day*



12:00 **Discussant: Carles Esteva Mosso**, *Director Acting, DG Competition*

12:20 **Roundtable discussion**

Prof. Alberto Heimler, *Consultant, Autorità Garante della Concorrenza e del Mercato; Professore, Scuola superiore della Pubblica Amministrazione*

Niels Lau, *Director Competition Policy, Federation of German Industries*

Edurne Navarro, *Partner, Uría Menéndez*

Leonardo Armati, *Associate, Bonelli Errede Pappalardo*

12:50 **Q&A session**

13:00 **Lunch**

II. AFTERNOON SESSION

CHAIR: Sir Christopher Bellamy QC, *Senior Consultant, Linklaters and Former President, Competition Appeal Tribunal*

ENFORCEMENT BY THE COMMISSION

14:30 **Procedural issues**

Speaker: Denis Waelbroeck, *Partner, Ashurst*

14:45 **Substantive issues**

Speaker: Prof. K. Hofstetter, *General Counsel, Schindler*

15:00 **Discussant: André Bouquet**, *Legal Advisor, Legal Service, European Commission*

15:20 **Roundtable discussion**

Céline Gauer, *Head of Unit, DG Competition*

Ian Forrester, *Partner, White & Case*

Matthew O'Regan, *Counsel, Freshfields*

15:50 **Q&A session**

16:00 **Coffee break**

ENFORCEMENT BY NATIONAL COMPETITION AUTHORITIES

16:15 **Speaker: Marc van der Woude**, *Partner, Stibbe*

16:45 **Discussant: *Dorothe Dalheimer***, *Deputy Head of Unit, DG Competition*

17:05 **Roundtable discussion**

Luís Pais Antunes, *Partner, PMLJ - A.M. Pereira, Sáragga Leal, Oliveira Martins, Júdice e Associados, Lisbon*

Damien Gérard, *Research Fellow, Catholic University of Louvain (UCL)*

Vittorio di Bucci, *Legal Advisor, Legal Service, European Commission*

17:35 **Q & A session**

18:00 **End of day one**

DAY TWO

CHAIR: *Damien Geradin*, *Director of the GCLC*

COOPERATION BETWEEN COMPETITION AUTHORITIES AND JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES

9:00 **Speaker: *Matthew Levitt***, *Partner, Lovells*

9:30 **Discussant: *Frédéric Jenny***, *Judge at the French Cour de Cassation, Professor at ESSEC*

9:50 **Roundtable discussion**

Theofanis Christoforou, *Director, Legal Service, European Commission*

Caní Fernández, *Partner, Cuatrecasas*

Christopher Brown, *Barrister, Matrix Chambers*

10:20 **Q&A session**

10:30 **Coffee break**

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

10:45 **Speaker: *Jacques Bourgeois***, *Consultant, Wilmer Hale*

11:15 **Discussant: *Ewoud Sakkers***, *Head of Unit, DG Competition*





11:35 Roundtable discussion

José Luis Buendía, *Partner, Garrigues Abogados*

Jacques Steenbergen, *Director General, Belgian Competition Authority*

Bruno Zanettin, *Policy Co-ordinator, DG Competition*

12:05 Q & A session

CONCLUDING REMARKS

12:15 Denis Waelbroeck, *Co-director of the conference*

12:30 End of the conference

REGISTRATION FORM

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